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SENATE.

TUESDAY, January 2, 1917, 12 O'Clock M.

This being the day and hour fixed by the Constitution for the meeting of the General Assembly, the members of the Senate, together with the Senators-elect chosen at the last general election held on November 7, 1916, assembled in the Senate chamber.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) called the Senate to order at 12 o'clock noon.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Our Heavenly Father, we recognize Thee as the Father of Lights in whom there is no variableness nor shadow of turning. We thank Thee for the long line of distinguished men who have served in this body and for the splendid laws that have been enacted. We pray Thy blessing upon those who are gathered here to deliberate with each other concerning matters that will affect the interest of the entire State of Pennsylvania. Grant that in sowing the seeds of legislation now, they may keep in mind at all times the reaping that is to come to this great Commonwealth. Be with the President of our Senate and with all its members and with the entire Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, we ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT. I express the sincere wish of my heart when I say, "May the New Year, upon which we are entering, have in store for each of you and yours abundant health, happiness and prosperity."

The General Assembly of Pennsylvania has again met, and it is undeniably a fact that a large element of our Commonwealth's citizenship, as a result of past experiences, look upon our meeting with more apprehension than satisfaction.

The United States Census reports tell us that during the past five years more than sixty thousand laws, other than appropriation measures, have been enacted by the Federal Congress and the Legislatures of the various States of the Union, and I make no exaggeration when I say that of this number Pennsylvania has contributed its full share.

In both Nation and State the surging tides of theoretical reform have fiercely beat about us. Along with the many useful laws promoting human rights and providing proper regulation of corporate power and corporate advantage, we have enacted a perfect horde of laws to regulate everybody and everything. We have had an overdose of the didactic, and to my mind the time has come to "throw in the reverse," particularly in application to laws and regulations discouraging industrial development and commercial expansions.

We should not be unmindful that the unparalleled prosperity which Pennsylvania at present is enjoying is abnormal, and must necessarily, in the natural course of events, be ephemeral. Burdens of taxation and regulation borne to-day with seeming ease will tax, perhaps over-tax, the bearer's ability to carry when normal conditions come about. Therefore, let us not make them heavier. Let us not do that which may ultimately "kill the goose that lays the golden egg;" instead let us inaugurate in this branch of the General Assembly, at least, "a closed season" for "business baiting." Let us keep in mind as well that we are met here as the servants of the people and not as the masters of the people. Partisan bigotry and factional bitterness should have no place in the performance of our duty. We should be Pennsylvanians, for Pennsylvania.

The founder of our Commonwealth, William Penn, tritely and wisely said "Governments depend upon men rather than men upon Governments. Let men be good and the Government cannot be bad. Though good laws do well, good men do better, for good laws may lack good men and be abolished or evaded by evil men, but good men will never lack good laws, nor suffer ill ones."

The people of Pennsylvania are suffering from "over-legislation" rather than from "too little legislation," and I can conceive of no more useful service that we can give at this session than to promptly, intelligently and effectively devote our energies to these enactments made necessary by increased urban population and changing conditions in municipal life, together with such enactments as are absolutely essential to social welfare, wage-earning and business opportunity. Having done these things it would seem to me to be the part of wisdom to repeal laws now on our statute books that have become obsolete and really are more honored in the breach than in the observance, and then amend the useful statutes enacted at recent sessions of the General Assembly in which experience has demonstrated errors and iniquities exist. After these achievements, which should not take long to accomplish, we can with propriety and good conscience "put up the shutters," turn the key in the lock, go back to our daily home occupations, and the people with heartfelt joy will say "Amen."

PRESENTATION OF RETURNS OF ELECTION OF SENATORS.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, stated that pursuant to the provisions of the 87th section of the Act of July 2, 1839, entitled "An Act relative to elections in this Commonwealth," he presented to the Senate the returns of the election for Senators held on November 7, 1916.

OPENING OF RETURNS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Secretary proceed to open and read the returns presented.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to, and the said returns were opened and read as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT.

	Richard T. McSorley. D.	William Irwin. W.	William Irwin. K.	Edwin H. Vare. R.	James F. Lynch. S.
Philadelphia county (part), --	10,832	400	35	23,690	673

THIRD DISTRICT.

	James P. Cummiskey, Jr. D.	James P. McNichol. W.	James P. McNichol. R.	James P. McNichol. K.	James P. McNichol. P. L.	J. A. Getzow. S.	Scattering.
Philadelphia county (part),	4,489	78	16,451	15	6	355	14

FIFTH DISTRICT.

	Richard V. Farley. D.	Richard V. Farley. W.	David Martin. R.	David Martin. K.	David Martin. P. L.	Alphons Olbrich. S.	Scattering.
Philadelphia county (part),	8,802	121	20,156	225	31	595	1

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

	Elmer W. Nittinger. D.	John M. Anweg. W.	Augustus F. Daix, Jr. R.	Augustus F. Daix, Jr. R. P.	Augustus F. Daix, Jr. P. L.	Henry F. Demitrowitz. S.	Scattering.
Philadelphia county (part), --	10,153	552	22,426	258	35	715	

NINTH DISTRICT.

	John H. Benner. D.	Benj. F. James. W.	William C. Sproul. R.	Ernest A. Magain. S.	C. W. R. Smith. P.	Scattering.
Delaware county,	6,700	212	16,478	260	636	5

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

	George W. Sassaman. D.	Henry U. Kistner. W.	Henry U. Kistner. R.	Howard M. Moser. S.
Berks county,	17,100	861	10,523	4,315

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

	Joseph H. Long. D.	Joseph H. Long. W.	John G. Homsher. R.	James McCann. S.	J. M. Templin. P.
Lancaster county,	6,426	99	13,517	263	645

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

	George D. Herbert. D.	Wm. N. Yates. W.	Edward E. Beidleman. R.	Raymond Breach. S.	T. H. Hamilton. P.	Scattering.
Dauphin county,	8,148	3,629	13,139	882	348	1

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

	E. W. Garber. D.	Horace L. Haldeman. R.	Jesse Weidler. S.	O. L. Von Nieda. P.	Scattering.
Lebanon county,	3,641	5,492	215	337	2
Lancaster county (part),	3,143	6,431	279	423	
	6,784	11,923	494	760	2

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NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

	John R. Thomas. D.	John R. Thomas. W.	T. Lawrence Eyre. R.	William H. H. Davis. P.	P. E. Jefferis. S. T.
Chester county,	8,143	1,019	10,209	592	1

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

	Sterling R. Catlin. D.	Sterling R. Catlin. W.	Sterling R. Catlin. R.	Sterling R. Catlin. P.	Frank P. Lesains. S.
Luzerne county (part),	9,599	519	11,442	299	730

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

	Frank G. VanDyke. D.	Edward E. Jones. W.	Edward E. Jones. R.	William Shellenberger. S.	Henry W. Champlin. P.	Scattering.
Bradford county,	3,105	310	5,542	194	683	1
Susquehanna county,	2,692	132	3,721	28	239	
Wyoming county,	1,240		1,690	35	74	
	7,037	442	10,953	257	996	1

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

	William R. Longstreet. D.	William R. Longstreet. P.	William R. Longstreet. L. O.	William R. Longstreet. Progressive.	Frank E. Baldwin. R.	J. D. Blair. S.	Scattering.
McKean county,	2,392	838	162	129	3,810	469	
Potter county,	1,205	495	109	73	2,218	229	1
Tioga county,	1,621	1,029	709	279	3,833	82	
	5,218	2,362	980	481	9,861	780	1

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

	W. C. McConnell. D.	W. C. McConnell. R.	John T. MacMullen. W.	John T. MacMullen. P.	Percy M. Hood. S.	Scattering.
Northumberland county,	7,851	7,323	953	475	1,276	4
Snyder county,	938	1,631	102	33	74	
Union county,	918	1,724	177	75	76	2
	9,907	10,678	1,232	583	1,426	6

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

	Patrick J. Graham. D.	Charles A. Snyder. R.	Edward Derringe. S.
Schuylkill county,	11,340	17,905	1,176

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

	Scott S. Leiby. D.	Scott S. Leiby. W.	Franklin Martin. R.	Frank Hosler. S.	J. L. Pandel. P.	Scattering.
Cumberland county,	5,833	87	5,430	167	400	1
Juniata county,	1,421	17	1,176	28	27	
Mifflin county,	1,630	29	2,043	271	158	1
Perry county,	2,334	26	2,375	21	33	
	11,218	159	11,024	487	618	2

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

	Thomas J. Brereton. D.	C. William Beales. W.	C. William Beales. R.	A. K. Whistler. S.	H. S. Montfort. P.
Adams county,	3,305	253	3,540	77	105
Franklin county,	5,103	274	5,381	299	213
	8,408	527	8,921	376	318

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THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

	Horace A. Tompkins. D.	Horace A. Tompkins. U.	F. H. Barker. W.	F. H. Barker. R.	F. H. Barker. P.	William Welsh. S.	Scattering.
Cambria county, ----	10,770	179	221	8,623	428	753	1

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

	R. M. Matson. D.	W. B. Adams. W.	Wilbur P. Graff. R.	Emil Anderson. S.	Will A. Dible. P.
Indiana county, -------	1,899	94	4,966	389	829
Jefferson county, ------	2,730	330	4,193	510	341
	4,629	424	9,159	899	1,170

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

	Edward M. Clifford. D.	James B. Weaver. R.	C. A. McGuire. S.	B. L. P. Prugh. P.
Westmoreland county, ------	11,566	15,096	2,584	1,080

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

	Joseph Heineman. D.	J. Frank Graff. W.	J. Frank Graff. R.	C. J. Moore. S.	George B. Lambert. P.
Armstrong county, ----	3,007	285	5,650	325	283
Butler county, ---------	4,219	269	4,966	226	1,120
	7,226	554	10,616	551	1,403

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

	Hill Burgwin. D.	Charles J. Magee. W.	Charles J. Magee. R.	Charles J. Magee. R. P.	H. P. Hunter. S.	H. Rea Garber. P.
Allegheny county (part),----	5,043	159	11,260	82	1,253	542

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

	W. P. McGervey. D.	William E. Sankey. W.	William E. Sankey. R. P.	Norman A. Whitten. R.	H. E. Springer. S.	H. W. Coad. P.
Allegheny county (part),----	8,501	1,013	315	12,894	1,863	654

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

	Hugh Ferguson. D.	W. D. Craig. W.	W. D. Craig. R.	Frank Linderman. S.	L. A. Walter. P.	Scattering.
Beaver county, ----------	4,825	533	6,840	873	393	1
Lawrence county, ------	2,988	509	4,750	680	600	
	7,813	1,042	11,590	1,553	993	1

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

	Martin C. Cornell. D.	Chas. F. Austin. W.	Chas. F. Austin. P.	Miles R. Nason. R.	Howard Eisaman. S.
Erie county, ----------	7,959	301	1,203	8,414	1,129

Whereupon, the following named persons were declared duly elected Senators in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, viz:

First District—Edwin H. Vare.
Third District—James P. McNichol.
Fifth District—David Martin.
Seventh District—Augustus F. Daix, Jr.
Ninth District—William C. Sproul.
Eleventh District—George W. Sassaman.
Thirteenth District—John G. Homsher.
Fifteenth District—Edward E. Beidleman.
Seventeenth District—Horace L. Haldeman.
Nineteenth District—T. Lawrence Eyre.
Twenty-first District—Sterling R. Catlin.
Twenty-third District—Edward E. Jones.
Twenty-fifth District—Frank E. Baldwin.
Twenty-seventh District—W. C. McConnell.
Twenty-ninth District—Charles A. Snyder.
Thirty-first District—Scott S. Leiby.
Thirty-third District—C. William Beales.
Thirty-fifth District—Horace A. Tompkins.
Thirty-seventh District—Wilbur P. Graff.
Thirty-ninth District—James B. Weaver.
Forty-first District—J. Frank Graff.
Forty-third District—Charles J. Magee.
Forty-fifth District—Norman A. Whitten.
Forty-seventh District—W. D. Craig.
Forty-ninth District—Miles R. Nason.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO SENATORS-ELECT.

The PRESIDENT. The newly elected Senators will present themselves before the bar of the Senate, where the oath of office, as required by law, will be administered to them by Honorable George Kunkel, President Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District.

The oath of office was then administered to the Senators-elect, except Mr. Catlin and Mr. Beales.

ROLL CALL.

The PRESIDENT. The Chief Clerk will call the roll.

The Chief Clerk called the roll and the following Senators were present:

First District—Edwin H. Vare.
Second District—Samuel W. Salus.
Third District—James P. McNichol.
Fourth District—Edward W. Patton.
Fifth District—David Martin.
Sixth District—Owen B. Jenkins.
Seventh District—Augustus F. Daix, Jr.
Eighth District—William Wallace Smith.
Ninth District—William C. Sproul.
Tenth District—Clarance J. Buckman.
Eleventh District—George W. Sassaman.
Twelfth District—Frank P. Croft.
Thirteenth District—John G. Homsher.
Fourteenth District—Elmer Warner.
Fifteenth District—Edward E. Beidleman.
Sixteenth District—Horace W. Schantz.
Seventeenth District—Horace L. Haldeman.
Eighteenth District—W. Clayton Hackett.
Nineteenth District—T. Lawrence Eyre.
Twentieth District—Asa K. DeWitt.
Twenty-second District—William M. Lynch.
Twenty-third District—Edward E. Jones.
Twenty-fourth District—Charles W. Sones.
Twenty-fifth District—Frank E. Baldwin.
Twenty-sixth District—W. Wayne Hindman.
Twenty-seventh District—William C. McConnell.
Twenty-eighth District—Henry Wasbers.
Twenty-ninth District—Charles A. Snyder.
Thirtieth District—Plymouth W. Snyder.
Thirty-first District—Scott S. Leiby.
Thirty-second District—William E. Crow.
Thirty-fourth District—Summerfield J. Miller.
Thirty-fifth District—Horace A. Tompkins.
Thirty-sixth District—James W. Endsley.
Thirty-seventh District—Wilbur P. Graff.
Thirty-eighth District—Charles H. Kline.
Thirty-ninth District—James B. Weaver.
Fortieth District—William H. Semmens.
Forty-first District—J. Frank Graff.
Forty-second District—William J. Burke.
Forty-third District—Charles J. Magee.
Forty-fourth District—William S. McKee.
Forty-fifth District—Norman A. Whitten.
Forty-sixth District—Joseph W. Stewart.
Forty-seventh District—William David Craig.
Forty-eighth District—Marshall L. Phipps.
Forty-ninth District—Miles R. Nason.
Fiftieth District—Raymond E. Smith.

The PRESIDENT. Forty-eight Senators having answered to their names a quorum is present.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the election of a President pro tempore and that the clerks act as tellers.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT. Nominations for President pro tempore are now in order.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I am directed by the caucus of the Republican Senators to place in nomination for the office of President pro tempore the name of Honorable Edward E. Beidleman, the Senator from Dauphin County.

Mr. DeWITT. Mr. President, I am directed by the Democratic caucus to place in nomination for the office of President pro tempore the Honorable Henry Wasbers, the Senator from York County.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the nominations close.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT. The roll will be called by the Chief Clerk.

The roll was called and resulted as follows:

FOR MR. BEIDLEMAN.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Schantz,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Semmens,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McKee, W. S.,	Smith, W. W.,
Craig,	Homsher,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Crow,	Jones,	Nason,	Sproul,
Daix,	Kline,	Patton,	Vare,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Magee, C. J.,	Salus,	Weaver,
			Whitten,

FOR MR. WASBERS.

DeWitt,	Leiby,	Stewart,	Warner,
Hackett,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,	Beidleman,
Hindman,	Sones,		

The PRESIDENT. The tellers agree in their tally. The Honorable Edward E. Beidleman, having received thirty-seven votes, and the Honorable Henry Wasbers ten votes, I therefore declare the Honorable Edward E. Beidleman, of Dauphin County, duly elected President pro tempore of the Senate for the session of 1917, and I appoint the Senator from Delaware, Mr. Sproul, and the Senator from York, Mr. Wasbers, to escort the newly elected President pro tempore to the bar of the Senate to take the oath of office.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, your committee has the honor to present the newly elected President pro tempore of the Senate, the Honorable Edward E. Beidleman, who is prepared to take the oath of office.

SWEARING IN THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

The PRESIDENT. The oath of office will be administered to the newly elected President pro tempore by the Honorable George Kunkel, President Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District.

The oath of office was accordingly administered.

The PRESIDENT. It is the pleasure of the Chair to now present to you your newly elected President pro tempore for the session of 1917, the Honorable Edward E. Beidleman,

of Dauphin County, and I bespeak for him that courtesy and consideration which have become a tradition of the Pennsylvania Senate.

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, and members of the Senate: I deeply appreciate this honor which you have conferred upon me and I thank you for the confidence which you have reposed in me. I do not feel that it is the duty of a President pro tempore of the Senate to in any way suggest the nature of legislation that should be introduced or passed in a general assembly. What I believe to be the sentiment and opinion of the people of the district which I have the honor to represent I shall express from my seat on the floor of the Senate. I feel it is the duty of the President pro tempore of the Senate, as the presiding officer, to be fair, impartial, and just to every member of the Senate. I ask from you your earnest and hearty cooperation in our work and pledge you a performance of my duty in a faithful and impartial manner to every member of the Senate. I again thank you.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. McCONNELL offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the President pro tempore of the Senate be authorized to appoint all special and standing committees of the Senate, and shall be ex-officio a member of all special and standing committees.

NOTIFICATION OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. SCHANTZ offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is duly organized and ready to proceed with its business.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair appoints as said committee the Senator from Lehigh, Mr. Schantz, the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. W. W. Smith, and the Senator from Northampton, Mr. Hackett.

NOTIFICATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. VARE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to act in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the House of Representatives (if the House of Representatives shall appoint such committee) to wait on His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly is organized and ready to receive any communications he may be pleased to make.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair appoints as said committee the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare, the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Burke, and the Senator from Greene, Mr. Stewart.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. JENKINS offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That no bills or joint resolutions shall be presented in the Senate until after the appointment of the standing committees of the Senate.

ADOPTION OF RULES.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved that the standing rules of the Senate during the session of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be adopted for the government of the Senate at the present session.

POSTAGE ON LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Mr. PHIPPS offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Whereas, The Post Office Department has decided that the Legislative Journal must be third class matter and has so instructed the Postmaster at Harrisburg:

Therefore be it resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Chief Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives be directed to make arrangements for the necessary postage so that the Legislative Journal may be mailed according to the requirements of the Post Office Department, and that the same be provided for in the Appropriation Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

PRINTING OF GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. HOMSHER offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the list of appointments which may be sent to the Senate by the Governor, as having been made during the recess, be printed for the use of the Senate under the direction of the Chief Clerk.

THANKING JUDGE KUNKEL FOR ADMINISTERING OATHS.

Mr. CROFT offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby tendered to Honorable George Kunkel, president judge of the Twelfth Judicial District, for his services in qualifying the newly elected Senators and President pro tempore.

JOINT CONVENTION TO COMPUTE AND COUNT VOTES FOR AUDITOR GENERAL AND STATE TREASURER.

Mr. MILLER offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Senate and House of Representatives will meet in joint convention Tuesday, January twenty-third, at twelve o'clock M., for the purpose of witnessing the opening, computing and counting the vote for Auditor-General and State Treasurer and that Mr. James W. Endsley, of Somerset County, be appointed teller on the part of the Senate.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. DAIX offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That all petitions, memorials and remonstrances be presented by handing the same to the Chief Clerk, properly endorsed with the date thereon, in accordance with the practice of the last session.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the following persons be elected as officers of the Senate, as provided by law: Secretary, W. Harry Baker, Harrisburg, Dauphin County; Chief Clerk, Harmon M. Kephart, Connellsville, Fayette County; Senate Librarian, Herman P. Miller, Harrisburg, Dauphin County; Sergeant-at-Arms, James R. Bagshaw, Delaware County.

The PRESIDENT. I therefore declare the following named persons elected as officers of the Senate: W. Harry Baker, of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, Secretary of the Senate; Harmon M. Kephart, of Connellsville, Fayette County, Chief Clerk; Herman P. Miller, of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, Librarian of the Senate, and James R. Bagshaw, of Chester, Delaware County, Sergeants-at-Arms.

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. McNICHOL offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Legislature adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, January twenty-second at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

PRESENTATION OF RETURNS OF ELECTION OF STATE TREASURER AND AUDITOR GENERAL.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, being introduced, presented to the Senate the returns of the general election held in the several counties of this Commonwealth on November 7, 1916, for the offices of State Treasurer and Auditor General.

Which were laid upon the table.

RECESS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 2.30 o'clock P. M.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

NOTIFICATION FROM HOUSE.

Messrs. Ramsey, Dunn and Flynn, a committee of the House of Representatives, being introduced, informed the Senate that the House is duly organized and ready to proceed with business, and were extended the thanks of the Senate.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

NOTIFICATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, informed the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, January 2, 1917.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to act in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the House of Representatives (if the House of Representatives shall appoint such committee) to wait on His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly is organized and ready to receive any communications he may be pleased to make.

And has appointed Messrs. Stern, Cox and Rininger as such committee on the part of the House of Representatives.

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He also informed the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

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JOINT CONVENTION TO COMPUTE AND COUNT VOTES FOR AUDITOR GENERAL AND STATE TREASURER.

He also informed the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, January 2, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Senate and House of Representatives will meet in joint convention Tuesday, January twenty-third, at twelve o'clock M., for the purpose of witnessing the opening, computing and counting the vote for Auditor General and State Treasurer, and that Mr. James W. Endsley, of Somerset County, be appointed teller on the part of the Senate.

And has appointed as teller on the part of the House of Representatives Mr. Edgar R. Smith, of Bedford County.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF NOTIFICATION OF THE HOUSE

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, the Committee appointed by the Senate to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is duly organized and ready to proceed with its business desires to report that it has performed that duty.

The PRESIDENT. The Committee is discharged with the thanks of the Senate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF NOTIFICATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, the Committee appointed by the Senate to act in conjunction with a similar Committee of the House of Representatives to inform the Governor that the General Assembly is organized and ready to receive any communications he might be pleased to make, has performed its duty, and the Governor has informed the Committee that he will present his communications in writing.

The PRESIDENT. The Committee is discharged with the thanks of the Senate.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from his Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 2, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have appointed W. H. Ball, of Philadelphia, to be Private Secretary to the Governor, to succeed the late James S. Hiatt.

Very respectfully yours,
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from his Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid on the table.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

INAUGURAL PARADE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented extract from the journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, January 2, 1917.

Whereas, The committee in charge of the Inaugural parade following the inauguration of the President of the United States, in Washington, D. C., on March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, have expressed a desire to have present a proper and fitting representation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, to participate in said parade, Therefore,

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the Governor of the Commonwealth be authorized to provide for participation in the Inaugural parade at Washington, D. C., by the Commander-in-Chief and Staff and not exceeding one brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, and further,

Resolved, That the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania is authorized to pay from an appropriation to be made for the purpose, all expenses incident thereto, which shall include transportation, quarters, subsistence of troops at rate of one dollar per day for each officer and enlisted man for not exceeding two days, and such other incidental expenses as may be necessary; and for all such expenditures the Adjutant General be required to file specifically itemized vouchers.

Mr. SONES. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires concurrent resolutions to be referred to an appropriate committee, be suspended, and that the Senate do now proceed to the immediate consideration of the resolution just read.

Mr. HACKETT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

GOVERNOR'S BIENNIAL MESSAGE.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 2, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with law, I have the honor to make report to you of the administration of the business of this Commonwealth, and to suggest such matters for your consideration as experience and a study of the needs of our Commonwealth seem to require.

Very respectfully yours,
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

The Governor's Biennial Message was then read by the Clerk.

(See to-day's House proceedings.)

ACTS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR AFTER ADJOURNMENT OF LEGISLATURE OF 1915.

Also the acts of the General Assembly passed during the session of 1915, and approved and signed by the Governor, within thirty days after the adjournment of the Legislature, May 20, 1913.

(For act see Appendix.)

REASONS FOR PARDONS AND COMMUTATIONS.

Also communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 2, 1917.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor herewith to transmit the reasons for pardons and commutations of death sentences granted by the Executive from January 1, 1915, to January 1, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

(For reasons see Appendix.)

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Also the following communications in writing, from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 2, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ADAMS COUNTY.

William W. Resser, East Berlin, January 21, 1917.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Robert J. Coyle, Jr., Pittsburgh, January 7, 1917.
J. M. Elias, Pittsburgh, January 7, 1917.
Miss M. L. Quinn, Pittsburgh, January 7, 1917.
John H. Rust, Pittsburgh, January 7, 1917.
Albert B. Smith, Pittsburgh, January 7, 1917.
A. D. Wilson, Pittsburgh, January 7, 1917.
R. M. Neely, Rankin, January 7, 1917.
G. Howard Stewart, Pittsburgh, January 11, 1917.
John Reinehr, Brackenridge, January 13, 1917.
H. E. Seibert, Pittsburgh, January 14, 1917.
Chas. W. Baker, Pittsburgh, January 15, 1917.
F. D. Ecker, Pittsburgh, January 15, 1917.
Marion H. Murphy, Pittsburgh, January 15, 1917.
Mrs. Dora F. Bayard, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
Miss Rosena S. Butz, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
Owen S. Cecil, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
S. Foster Dickie, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
W. A. Feltyberger, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
Miss Bertha J. Jones, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
R. J. Macrory, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
S. W. Shaw, Pittsburgh, January 16, 1917.
John W. Bainbridge, Homestead, January 16, 1917.
H. R. Bigham, Carnegie, January 16, 1917.
Chas. F. Engel, McKees Rocks, January 16, 1917.
Edmund D. Nugent, Braddock, January 16, 1917.
A. J. Hunter, Homestead, January 18, 1917.
D. O. Jones, Pittsburgh, January 18, 1917.
Mrs. Alice M. Godfrey, Pittsburgh, January 19, 1917.
Albert J. Brush, So. Fayette Twp., January 19, 1917.
Mrs. Luvia Crawford Barthell, Wilkinsburg, January 21, 1917.
Jno. W. Cunningham, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Chas. H. Ebert, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Oswald Ende, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Miss Myrtle B. Henderson, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Walter M. Meredith, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Albert C. Mettler, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Howard Neely, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Harvey Rankin, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
H. A. Shaffer, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Miss Ida L. Sherrer, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Sion B. Smith, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
John F. Sweeney, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Leopold Takach, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Louis F. Wentz, Pittsburgh, January 21, 1917.
Thomas H. Sankey, Pittsburgh, January 22, 1917.
D. J. Crawford, Homestead, January 26, 1917.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Saverio Capano, Rural Valley, January 7, 1917.
O. S. Marshall, Rural Valley, January 7, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Earl R. Leyda, Beaver Falls, January 16, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

Walter B. Craig, Reading, January 7, 1917.
William W. Fetter, Reading, January 7, 1917.
Wm. Abbott Witman, Jr., Reading, January 7, 1917.
Oscar Wanner, Reading, January 16, 1917.
E. B. Welder, Reading, January 16, 1917.
Miss Bessie DeHart, Reading, January 21, 1917.
Harry E. Hart, Birdsboro, January 21, 1917.
Heber Y. Yost, Reading, January 30, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Robert W. Smith, Hollidaysburg, January 7, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

J. Burton Stackhouse, Langhorne, January 21, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

John Gluck, Lansford, January 7, 1917.
Michael P. Koomar, Mauch Chunk Twp., January 21, 1917.

CENTRE COUNTY.

George W. Zeigler, Philipsburg, January 15.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Benjamin W. Haines, West Chester, January 7, 1917.
Harry S. Woodward, Coatesville, January 7, 1917.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

V. Stevens, Coalport, January 16, 1917.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Isaac Mondereau, Meadville, January 7, 1917.
Mrs. Leona M. Richmond, Meadville, January 16, 1917.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Jas. L. Young, Mechanicsburg, January 16, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

S. H. Zimmerman, Harrisburg, January 15, 1917.
Jacob M. Miller, Lykens, January 16, 1917.
Ray K. Buffington, Elizabethville, January 18, 1917.
Miss Carrie E. Hummel, Hummelstown, January 22, 1917.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

William B. Harvey, Chester, January 16, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Clinton D. Higby, Erie, January 7, 1917.
C. R. Dench, Erie, January 16, 1917.
P. V. Gifford, Erie, January 16, 1917.
C. B. Hayes, Erie, January 30, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

David Williams, Dunbar, January 22, 1917.
H. F. Detwiler, Uniontown, January 25, 1917.

INDIANA COUNTY.

E. B. McCormick, Cherry Tree, January 16, 1917.
B. B. McConnaughey, Homer City, January 21, 1917.
Chas. H. Moore, Blairsville, January 21, 1917.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

George W. Fink, Punxsutawney, January 21, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Aaron V. Bower, Scranton, January 7, 1917.
Geo. H. Shires, Scranton, January 7, 1917.
John T. Fahrenholt, Scranton, January 16, 1917.
Harry Needle, Olyphant, January 16, 1917.
Victor E. Wenzel, Scranton, January 16, 1917.
John B. Jordan, Scranton, January 17, 1917.
High B. Andrews, Scranton, January 18, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

C. Reese Eaby, Lancaster, January 15, 1917.
John H. Myers, Lancaster, January 18, 1917.
Miss Katharine A. Huber, Lancaster, January 21, 1917.

LEBANON COUNTY.

Miss Mabel M. Sprecher, Lebanon, January 7, 1917.
Thomas L. Becker, Millcreek Twp., January 16, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Oscar H. Dilley, Wilkes-Barre, January 7, 1917.
Mrs. Faith Bullard Innes, Wilkes-Barre, January 7, 1917.
Joseph H. Jones, Hazleton, January 7, 1917.
Lawrence B. Jones, Wilkes-Barre, January 7, 1917.
Daniel L. O'Neill, Wilkes-Barre, January 7, 1917.
S. A. Barber, Hazleton, January 15, 1917.
J. N. Anderson, Pittston, January 16, 1917.
Edward N. Noll, Wilkes-Barre, January 18, 1917.
Frank J. Cannon, Hazleton, January 21, 1917.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

W. C. Gilmore, Williamsport, January 7, 1917.
Miss Anna B. Haines, Williamsport, January 7, 1917.
Robert K. Reeder, Muncy, January 14, 1917.
Elbert A. Porter, Williamsport, January 15, 1917.

McKEAN COUNTY.

W. E. Burdick, Bradford, January 7, 1917.
Edward G. Charlton, Bradford, January 15, 1917.

MERCER COUNTY.

William J. Kennedy, Sharon, January 9, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

B. D. Alderfer, Souderton, January 7, 1917.
George R. Ralston, Norristown, January 21, 1917.
Forrest H. Robert, Cheltenham Twp., January 28, 1917.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Victor E. Woodring, Bethlehem, January 7, 1917.
Miss Mary A. Transue, Bethlehem, January 16, 1917.
C. C. Marsh, Lehigh Twp., January 18, 1917.
Miss F. C. Rockafellow, Easton, January 21, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

John Weiser Bassler, Sunbury, January 7, 1917.

PIKE COUNTY.

Augustus W. Balch, Matamoras, January 17, 1917.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

William H. Welfley, Somerset, January 7, 1917.
J. Clarence Dull, Hooversville, January 21, 1917.

WARREN COUNTY.

James H. Alexander, Warren, January 18, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

R. C. Buchanan, Washington, January 16, 1917.
Joseph C. Kenyon, Donora, January 16, 1917.
Edgar B. Murdoch, Washington, January 16, 1917.
Geo. O. Jones, Washington, January 21, 1917.
J. J. Noroski, Donora, January 21, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

George D. Hamor, New Kensington, January 7, 1917.
Robert G. Shepard, New Kensington, January 7, 1917.
James V. Conti, Monessen, January 16, 1917.
E. C. Curry, Jeannette, January 16, 1917.
P. C. Toner, Latrobe, January 17, 1917.
E. J. Baxter, New Kensington, January 18, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

George B. Kraber, York, January 4, 1917.
William G. Allen, Shrewsbury, January 7, 1917.
Charles L. Rodgers, York, January 7, 1917.
Edward Michael, Hanover, January 16, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Alfonso J. Minnick, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Albert Niedelman, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Daniel O'Connell, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Daniel J. Rafferty, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Harry C. Schaefer, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
LeRoy Schoch, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
W. Evans Smith, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Edward J. Toole, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
James D. Winchell, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Edwin S. Gault, Philadelphia, January 22, 1917.
Frederick P. Orlemann, Philadelphia, January 23, 1917.
William E. Shappell, Philadelphia, January 25, 1917.
Daniel W. Holloway, Philadelphia, January 26, 1917.
Harry Bower, Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
William H. Creamer, Jr., Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
William H. Quillman, Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
David Goodbread, Philadelphia, January 6, 1917.
Edward C. Zellner, Philadelphia, January 6, 1917.
Joseph M. Baker, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
John L. Burns, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Henry S. Callaway, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Reginald B. Chase, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
William Coppleberger, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Jas. F. Eckard, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Lovett Frescoln, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Miss Charlotte M. Gillingham, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Guernsey A. Hallowell, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Chas. R. Heermann, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Washington Hersh, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Clifford R. Hunt, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
William M. Kitzmiller, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Joseph H. Klein, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Francis P. Malone, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Miss Evelyn Morford, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Jesse G. Myers, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Leon J. Obermayer, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
George F. Pommer, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Wm. Harrison Smith, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Benjamin W. Snyder, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Wm. Wagner, Jr., Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Charles H. Weiss, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
James H. Wolfe, Philadelphia, January 7, 1917.
Miss Margaretha Vogt, Philadelphia, January 10, 1917.
Abram H. Smith, Philadelphia, January 11, 1917.
Edwin Stearne, Philadelphia, January 12, 1917.
S. Walter Foulkrod, Philadelphia, January 14, 1917.
Joseph C. Murphey, Philadelphia, January 14, 1917.
Jas. F. Dempsey, Philadelphia, January 15, 1917.
John B. Henkels, Philadelphia, January 15, 1917.
Paul O. Kirschmann, Philadelphia, January 15, 1917.
Augustine C. Metzinger, Philadelphia, January 15, 1917.
Lyndell Myers, Philadelphia, January 15, 1917.
E. D. Patterson, Philadelphia, January 15, 1917.
Fred A. Bihlmaier, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
H. L. Bright, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Sigmund Buschsbaum, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Aaron L. Deeter, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Louis DuHadway, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Frank P. Felton, Jr., Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Frank H. Kain, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Thos. A. MacDonald, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
Jos. Allen Potts, Philadelphia, January 16, 1917.
George A. Roeckle, Philadelphia, January 17, 1917.
G. Gordon Bromley, Philadelphia, January 17, 1917.
W. C. Burkholder, Philadelphia, January 17, 1917.
Wm. C. DuBois, Philadelphia, January 17, 1917.
Forrest N. Magee, Philadelphia, January 17, 1917.
J. Louis Barrick, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Herbert H. Buxbaum, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
M. G. Campbell, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Richard Crankshaw, Jr., Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Thomas I. Dickson, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Samuel G. Finley, Jr., Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Henry Gross, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Christian S. MacCain, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
George E. Nitzsche, Philadelphia, January 18, 1917.
Thomas W. Wilkinson, Philadelphia, January 19, 1917.
J. B. Glover, Philadelphia, January 20, 1917.

Charles W. Brown, Philadelphia, January 20, 1917.
L. B. A. Kelly, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Rutherford S. Bates, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
William J. Benham, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Alexander Colville, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Miss Beatrice Handford, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.
Miss Josephine M. Kelly, Philadelphia, January 21, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 2, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Morton W. Geary, Pittsburgh.
Miss Alice M. O'Keefe, Pittsburgh.
Miss Margaret M. Reardon, Pittsburgh.
Miss Gene M. Watt, Pittsburgh.
M. C. Wylie, Pittsburgh.
L. Douthett, Marshall Township.
James A. Gearhart, McKeesport.
W. H. Shaffer, Carrick.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Miss Bertha Morgan Fryor, Apollo.
Miss Fannie M. Kelly, Parker City.

BEAVER COUNTY.

H. W. Hazen, New Brighton.

BERKS COUNTY.

Bartley H. Law, Reading.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Herman B. Rockman, Sayre.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Fred W. Beans, Yardley.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Alice L. Waters, Johnstown.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Edgar H. Fortney, Titusville.
Ellery J. Stetson, Cambridge Springs.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Robert E. Bershad, Chester.
Miss Lillian M. Farnan, Chester.

ERIE COUNTY.

J. H. Durfield, Erie.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Mrs. Mary D. Smiley, Fairchance.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Miss Elva M. Brown, Chambersburg.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Blanche Fox, White Haven.
George Howorth, Wilkes-Barre.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Miss A. Louise Clinger, Williamsport.

McKEAN COUNTY.

P. C. Hubbard, Bradford.
Miss Glennis R. Harte, Bradford.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Edwin P. Gotwals, Lansdale.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Edwin Henry Price, Easton.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Miss Anna L. Barnes, Philadelphia.
Robert V. Bolger, Philadelphia.
Robert J. Darrah, Philadelphia.
George A. Gercke, Philadelphia.
Harlan E. Godell, Philadelphia.
P. Frank Hunter Jr., Philadelphia.
Ralph M. Jacoby, Philadelphia.
Louis Liebster, Philadelphia.
J. Franklin Lippincott, Philadelphia.
Thomas J. McFarland, Jr., Philadelphia.
Leo J. A. Rooney, Philadelphia.
Howard G. Tomlinson, Philadelphia.
Fred A. Werner, Philadelphia.

VENANGO COUNTY.

T. F. Ramsey, Franklin.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

John Bryan, Monongahela City.

YORK COUNTY.

Karl S. Brooks, York.
G. A. Elicker, Spring Grove.
Miss Marie B. Kerchner, Hanover.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. Eyre,

That Rule 38, which requires all nominations made by the Governor, to be referred to proper Committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session for the purpose of acting upon the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. Eyre,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreebly to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—48.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McKee, W. S.,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sones,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Daix,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Magee, C. J.,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY OF GERMANTOWN AND ITS VICINITY.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate the Sixty-first Annual Statement of the Savings Fund Society of Germantown and its vicinity.

(For report see Appendix.)

REPORT OF THE LEHIGH COAL AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Also the report of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company for the year 1916.

(For report see Appendix.)

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTERN SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY OF PHILADELPHIA.

Also the Sixty-ninth Annual Report of the Western Savings Fund Society of Philadelphia.
(For report see Appendix.)

REPORT OF AUDITORS OF THE PHILADELPHIA SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY.

Also the report of the Auditors of the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society for the year ending December 31, 1915.
(For report see Appendix.)

BILLS IN PLACE BOOK CLERK.

The Chair laid before the Senate the resignation of John J. O'Donnell, of Lehigh County, as Bills in Place Book Clerk, and announced that the President pro tempore has appointed to fill the vacancy Hugh O'Donnell, of Lehigh County.

COPYHOLDER LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

The Chair announced that the Chief Clerk has appointed Charles R. Shope, of Halifax, Dauphin County, as Copyholder, Legislative Journal, to succeed Harry A. VanHorn, deceased.

DOORKEEPER.

The Chair laid before the Senate the resignation of John J. McCloskey, of Philadelphia, as Doorkeeper, and announced that the President pro tempore has appointed to fill the vacancy James McKeeman, of 2017 South Fifty-sixth street, Philadelphia.

ASSISTANT DOORKEEPER.

The Chair laid before the Senate the resignation of Walter S. Leard, of Armstrong County, as Assistant Doorkeeper, and announced that the President pro tempore has appointed to fill the vacancy Edmund D. Graff, of Armstrong County.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 3.15 o'clock P. M. until 9 o'clock Monday evening, January 22, 1917.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, January 2, 1917.

The hour of twelve o'clock having arrived, Hon. Thomas H. Garvin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, called the members-elect to order, and announced, That

This being the day and hour fixed by the Constitution for the meeting of the General Assembly, and a number of gentlemen elected members of the House of Representatives sufficient to constitute a quorum being present, the body will come to order.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. F. W. Staley, of Collingdale, Delaware County, Pa., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee that Thou art the founder of governments and preserver of nations. Thou art the ruler of the State and the protector of its citizens. Thou art omnipotent in power and infinite in wisdom. Thou art God and beside Thee there is none other.

We, as representative men to-day plead with Thee for power and wisdom to administer the affairs of the State justly and to legislate wisely for the best interests of this Commonwealth.

And Thy great name shall have all the honor and the praise, we ask for Christ's sake. Amen.

THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH PRESENTS RETURNS OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced stated that pursuant to the provisions of the eighty-eighth section of the Act of July 2, 1839, entitled "An Act relative to elections in this Commonwealth," he presented to the House of Representatives the returns of the election for members held on November 7, 1916, which were laid upon the table.

OPENING OF RETURNS.

Mr. WOODWARD offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the returns of the election be now opened and read.

The said returns were opened and read as follows:

REPRESENTATIVES IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

ADAMS COUNTY.

D. Calvin Rudisill, D.,	3,720	George D. Sheeley, R.,	3,275
D. Calvin Rudisill, W.,	66	John H. Weaver, S.,	84
	3,786	Frank B. Twisden, P.,	98

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

1st Dist.—		7th Dist.—	
Edward J. Cavanaugh, D.,	2,346	C. J. Estel, D.,	1,720
Thomas Paul Geary, D.,	1,784	B. W. Frampton, D.,	1,564
Thomas Paul Geary, R.,	3,877	Daniel A. Malie, W.,	159
	5,661	Daniel A. Malie, R.,	3,895
James W. McFedrick, W.,	163		4,054
George A. Wrigley, W.,	110	Charles A. Michel, W.,	41
Sumer Somerman, R.,	4,124	Charles A. Michel, R.,	3,911
Leon Arkin, S.,	466	Charles A. Michel, P. L.,	13
Nathan Malyn, S.,	397		3,965
2d Dist.—		J. T. Clutter, S.,	396
John P. Cronin, D.,	2,414	William Schmidt, S.,	382
John P. Cronin, W.,	46	E. E. Ihrig, P.,	90
	2,460	E. F. Hein, P.,	84
Thomas A. Kelley, D.,	2,385	8th Dist.—	
J. H. McQuillan, W.,	179	John J. Daley, D.,	2,846
William J. McCaig, R.,	5,041	Joseph M. Mohr, D.,	2,534
John C. Sullivan, R.,	4,946	Andrew H. Mercer, W.,	378
Thos. J. Burns, S.,	776	Andrew H. Mercer, R. P.,	118
Albert R. Jerling, S.,	779		496
Jon L. Baleman, P.,	185	Edward M. Hough, R.,	6,041
Harry Fichler, P.,	142	William F. Stadtlander, R.,	6,043
3d Dist.—		Henry Gyekis, Jr., S.,	685
James A. Tierman, D.,	1,773	Wendel Keller, S.,	666
John Lauler, W.,	188	A. H. Kling, P.,	248
John Lauler, R.,	2,930	W. L. Smyth, P.,	209
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C. J. H. Winker, S.,	440	James C. Miller, D.,	1,715
Robert Elmer Davis, R. P.,	154	James D. Foster, W.,	273
William Repp, P.,	180	James D. Foster, K.,	18
4th Dist.—		James D. Foster, P.,	570
J. D. Zimmerman, D.,	1,831		861
J. Ralph Park, W.,	308	Jas. F. Woodward, R.,	2,307
J. Ralph Park, R. P.,	289	Albert Kunze, S.,	439
J. Ralph Park, P.,	360	10th Dist.—	
	957	Charles H. Clifford, D.,	6,600
William W. Mearkle, R.,	4,743	Charles H. Clifford, P.,	675
Martin Weber, S.,	166		7,275
5th Dist.—		George F. Midgley, D.,	5,537
John C. Innes, D.,	2,607	Charles E. Murray, D.,	5,625
Charles Ross, R.,	5,911	Carl C. Baldridge, W.,	344
W. J. Wright, S.,	375	Carl C. Baldridge, R.,	8,714
A. Lloyd Brawdy, K.,	124	Carl C. Baldridge, B. M.,	27
William H. Daughenbaugh, P.,	207		9,085
6th Dist.—		C. M. C. Campbell, W.,	1,355
Martin B. Foley, D.,	4,454	C. M. C. Campbell, R. P.,	371
Lorenz F. Riott, D.,	4,185		1,726
P. J. Vetter, D.,	4,242	J. R. Wylie, W.,	366
M. E. Evans, W.,	618	J. R. Wylie, R.,	8,558
William J. Howarth, W.,	404	J. R. Wylie, P.,	579
William J. Howarth, R.,	7,710		9,503
	8,114	W. Crawford Murdoch, R.,	8,158
Gust Wickerman, W.,	363	W. Crawford Murdoch, B. M.,	541
William J. Mangan, R.,	7,483	W. Crawford Murdoch, R. P.,	54
Gustave A. Wickman, R.,	7,373		8,753
Fred J. Herrington, S.,	1,083		
John Miller, S.,	1,044		
Elmer Richter, S.,	928		
E. V. Bowker, P.,	374		
D. N. Richards, P.,	436		
S. H. Wall, P.,	364		

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D. S. Conner, S., ---------- 1,799
J. A. Fox, S., ---------- 2,013
William M. Ledger, S., ---- 1,786
Wallace B. Benn, B. M., -- 123
W. R. Shoemaker, R. P., -- 158
J. W. Hanna, P., ---------- 868

11th Dist.—
William Bowden, D., ------ 8,006
Frank E. Flynn, D., ------ 7,636
George Jochem, D., -------- 7,511
John P. Pastre, D.,-- 7,528
John P. Pastre, W.,-- 363
John P. Pastre, P.,-- 499
——— 8,390
James W. McCleary, W., ---------- 550
James W. McCleary, R. P., ---------- 247
——— 797
Alfred L. Overcashier, W., 498
W. Heber Dithrich, R., --11,521
J. H. W. Simpson, R., ----------11,410
J. H. W. Simpson, R. P., ---------- 159
———11.569

Joseph G. Steedle, R., -----11,452
William C. Wagner, R., ----11,577
Hector Bowman, S., -------- 1,844
Jacob Mohr, S., ---------- 1,811
Wm. H. Schmidt, S., ------ 1,800
R. M. Toy, S., ---------- 1,732
James Bell, P., ---------- 878
John M. McCabe, P., ------ 718
James D. McKee, P., -------- 702
William E. Reed, K., ------ 202

12th Dist.—
John A. Feidt, D., ---------- 4,093
Richard L. Morrissey, D., - 3,990
Nelson McVickar, W.,- 156
Nelson McVickar, R., 8,913
Nelson McVickar, P., 388
——— 9,457
John W. Vickerman, W., ---------- 134
John W. Vickerman, R., ---------- 8,816
John W. Vickerman, P., ---------- 392
——— 9,342
J. Earl Hinish, S., ---------- 920
Edward C. Mueller, S., ---- 923

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Samuel S. Blyholder, D., ---------- 3,226
Samuel S. Blyholder, P., ---------- 397
——— 3,623
W. Carl Miller, D., ---------- 2,732

Milton S. Jack, W.,-- 286
Milton S. Jack, R., -- 5,410
——— 5,696
Miles A. Milliron, R., -------- 5,557
J. R. Allen, S., ---------- 343
Samuel Reese, S., ---------- 293
Samuel Dible, P., ---------- 332

BEAVER COUNTY.

Jesse W. Hunter, D., -------- 4,485
Joseph A. Tritschler, D., ---- 4,220
James R. Gormley, W., 388
James R. Gormley, R., 6,647
——— 7,035
Charles H. Kennedy, W., ---------- 311

Charles H. Kennedy, R., ---------- 6,590
——— 6,901
H. R. Davis, S., ---------- 977
Carl Evans, S., ---------- 927
Daniel R. Lindsay, P., ------- 529
James Mowry, P., ---------- 450

BEDFORD COUNTY.

Victor E. P. Barkman, D., -- 2,667
Howard Cessna, W., - 770
Howard Cessna, S., -- 258
——— 1,028

Edgar R. Smith, R., -------- 3,372
A. H. Reddinger, P., -------- 100

PERRY COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
Jacob A. Lesher, D., ------ 5,223
Walter A. Ringler, D., ----- 5,843
Mahlon Shaaber, W., 381
Mahlon Shaaber, R., 4,785
——— 5,166
William F. Plowfield, R., -- 5,142
James H. Maurer, S., ------ 6,255
J. Henry Stump, S., ------ 5,669

2d Dist.—
Daniel A. Rothenberger, D.,10,771
Wilson G. Sarig, D., -------10.736

B. Morris Strauss, D., ----10,544
Harry E. Hart, W.,- 163
Harry E. Hart, R.,-- 4,569
——— 4,732
Irvin Kern, W., ---------- 119
Peter E. Naftzinger, R., --- 4,596
Harry P. Plank, R., ------ 4,513
John J. Haederle, S., ------ 769
David M. Kline, S., -------- 788
Chas. R. Yerger, S., ------- 788

BLAIR COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
Willard P. Beardsley, D., -- 2,844
Samuel Gray Hartsock, W., ---------- 813
Samuel Gray Hartsock, P., ---------- 397
——— 1,210
J. E. Rininger, R., -------- 3,692
Philip M. Swanger, S., ---- 241

2d Dist.—
Geo. K. Myers, D., -------- 3,054

C. M. Waple, D., ---------- 2,930
L. F. Crawford, W., ------ 160
Samuel McCurdy, W., 164
Samuel McCurdy, R., 5,270
Samuel McCurdy, P., 201
——— 5,635
H. Atlee Brumbaugh, R., -- 5,178
Samuel Calvin, S., ---------- 489
William F. Ross, S., ------ 324
S. C. Cowen, P., ---------- 365

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Frank P. Bull, D., ---------- 2,992
W. Worth Jennings, D., 2,578
W. Worth Jennings, R., 5,411
——— 7,989
Harry E. Chace, W., -------- 662

Charles P. Dewey, R., ------- 5,788
C. Lee Thomas, P., ---------- 728
G. H. Willey, P., ---------- 668
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BUCKS COUNTY.

Stace B. McEntee, D., ------ 7,175
Charles A. Schlachter, D., --- 7,171
Daniel G. Fretz, R., -------- 8,987
Henry Y. Pickering, R., ----- 8,857

William H. Detweiler, S., ---- 282
Horace L. Gerhart, S., ---- 264
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BUTLER COUNTY.

A. G. Black, D., ---------- 4,126
W. H. Grabe, D., ---------- 4,115
James O. Campbell, R., ---- 5,341
James M. McCollough, R., -- 5,093

W. D. Altman, S., ---------- 231
Oliver Price, ---------- 229
James S. Brothers, P., ------ 1,067
Reuben W. Park, P., -------- 1,029

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
William J. Gompers, D., ---------- 3,052
William J. Gompers, S., ---------- 184
William J. Gompers, U., ---------- 38
——— 3,274
J. Ross Horne, R.,-- 3,292
J. Ross Horne, P.,-- 234
——— 3,526
Scattering, ---------- 2

2d Dist.—
Frank P. Hollern, D., 6,413
Frank P. Hollern, U., 78
——— 6,491

James W. Sheridan, D., ---------- 5,505
James W. Sheridan, U., ---------- 66
——— 5,571
E. James W., ---------- 365
Albert J. Oaks, W., ------ 679
William Davis, R., -- 6,490
William Davis, P., -- 234
——— 6,724
John R. Musser, R., ------ 6,058
Andrew Hammarstrom, S., 635
Oliver London, S., ---------- 554
Oaks, P., ---------- 268

CAMERON COUNTY.

C. J. Goodnough, D.,- 272
C. J. Goodnough, R.,-- 563
——— 835

Jacob A. Dice, W., ---- 202
Jacob A. Dive, County Option, ---------- 110
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CARBON COUNTY.

Jacob W. Smith, D., ---------- 3,424
Harry Zanders, R., ---------- 4,258
H. C. O'Donnell, S., ---------- 176
B. F. Sturdevant, W., 144

B. F. Sturdevant, P., - 355
B. F. Sturdevant, Local Option, ---------- 135
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CENTRE COUNTY.

M. I. Gardner, D., ---- 3,965
M. I. Gardner, L. O.,-- 184
——— 4,149

Harry B. Scott, R., ---------- 4,168
Howard Simler, S., ---------- 157

CHESTER COUNTY.

Elisha G. Cloud, D.,-- 7,622
Elisha G. Cloud, W.,-- 616
——— 8,238
Henry Walley Davis, D., 7,227
Henry Walley Davis, W., ---------- 500
——— 7,727
J. Coulson Reece, D.,-- 7,535
J. Coulson Reece, W.,- 1,146
J. Coulson Reece, P.,-- 575
——— 9,256

Harry C. Graham, R., ------10,142
Maris M. Hollingsworth, R., ----------10,769
Maris M. Hollingsworth, P., ---------- 402
———11,171
Samuel A. Whitaker, R., ---11,027
Thos. S. Butler, P., -------- 696
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CLARION COUNTY.

E. M. Sweitzer, D., ---------- 2,970
Harry H. Arnold, W., 226
Harry H. Arnold, R.,-- 2,516
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Clyde Buzard, S., ---------- 164
E. H. Carnahan, P., -------- 202

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

Ed. C. Bauman, D., ------- 5,035
G. W. Bell, D., ---------- 5,302
Archer H. Read, D., -------- 5,154
W. E. Peterson, W., ---------- 231
Joseph E. Phillips, W., 601
Joseph E. Phillips, R., 5,011
——— 5,612
Harry Boulton, R., ---------- 5,180

Americus H. Woodward, R., - 5,085
Jas. S. Brady, S., ---------- 840
Geo. W. Fox, S., ---------- 1,189
Phillip Lund, S., ---------- 844
Dorsey B. Hile, P., ---------- 712
Wilson P. Tate, P., ---------- 751
A. N. Work, P., ---------- 594
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CLINTON COUNTY.

Lewis Treglo, D., ---------- 2,787
Michael Bond Rich, W., 47
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COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Charles A. Shaffer, D., 5,350
Charles A. Shaffer, W., 95
Charles A. Shaffer, R., 2,590

Charles A. Shaffer, P., 275
——— 8,310
C. W. Langfield, S., ---------- 268
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CRAWFORD COUNTY.

J. C. McKay, D., ---------- 5,087
W. L. Metzenbacher, D., ---------- 4,954
W. L. Metzenbacher, W., ---------- 192
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A. H. Wiard, W., ---------- 65

Frederick J. Shattuck, R., --- 5,530
J. P. Williams, R., ---------- 5,375
Frank M. Baldwin, S., ------- 534
Fred E. Meyer, S., ---------- 498
Samuel W. Lowing, P., ------ 589
Carl E. Nodine, P., ---------- 503

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Horace C. Barner, D., ------ 5,675
Eugene A. Burtnett, D., ---- 5,584
John R. Brandt, R., -------- 5,546
Murray E. Goodyear, R., ---- 5,534
Abram L. Line, S., ---------- 188

D. E. Marsh, S., ---------- 166
A. J. Wright, P., ---------- 466
W. M. Yohe, P., ---------- 412
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DAUPHIN COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
A. Ramsey Black, D., 6,679
Geo. A. Werner, D., 6,039
Joshua W. Swartz, R., 6,206
Augustus Wildman, R., 5,732
Jacob F. Ommert, S., 397
J. L. Yoder, S., 680
Ralph C. Funk, P., 303
W. C. Terry, P., 258
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2d Dist.—
Joseph B. Martin, D., 4,727
Joseph B. Martin, W., 358 — 5,085
John J. Mates, D., 4,319
John J. Mates, W., 180 — 4,499
David J. Bechtold, R., 6,948
Ira E. Ulsh, R., 6,720
John Hosgood, S., 583
George W. Troxell, S., 576
J. M. Boyer, P., 357
J. F. M. Schminkey, P., 251

DELAWARE COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
John S. Crego, D., 1,921
Wm. Ward, Jr., W., 273
William T. Ramsey, R., 4,211
Frank G. Lewis, P., 221
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2d Dist.—
Arthur B. Griffith, D., 4,993
Albert E. Holl, D., 4,886
V. G. Robinson, W., 634
Richard J. Baldwin, R., 11,418
Harry H. Heyburn, R., 11,341
Frank Greenwood, S., 252
Howard Melody, S., 243
Graham Lodge, P., 614
P. L. Webster, P., 541
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ELK COUNTY.

John M. Flynn, D., 1,978
John M. Flynn, R., 2,549 — 4,527
Charles K. Marsh, W., 148
Charles K. Marsh, P., 224 — 372
Carl V. Carlson, S., 249
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ERIE COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
June R. Bovee, D., 2,398
June R. Bovee, R., 2,275 — 4,673
J. W. Bender, S., 572
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2d Dist.—
Frank J. Leary, D., 2,594
Francis T. Nagorski, W., 128
Francis T. Nagorski, R., 1,907 — 2,035
William Herlet, S., 388

3d Dist.—
William Kernick, D., 2,783
W. J. Olds, W., 343
W. J. Olds, P., 1,180 — 1,523
H. P. Shunk, R., 4,204
F. J. Weaver, S., 357

FAYETTE COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
Wm. Manning Rhodes, D., 3,300
Virgil C. Hess, R., 2,745
A. G. Smart, P., 147

2d Dist.—
Harry Cochran, D., 6,723
Reuben Howard, D., 6,691
J. Espey Sherard, D., 6,717
D. Harry Horton, W., 105
D. Harry Horton, R., 6,709 — 6,814
Duncan Sinclair, W., 149
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Joseph T. Dudley, S., 705
Frank Lape, S., 701
James F. Power, S., 684
William M. Bryson, P., 369
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W. H. Hood, D., 350
F. R. Lanson, W., 13
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FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Jonathan H. Eckels, D., 5,031
Albert H. Rossman, D., 5,024
L. F. Benchoff, W., 147
L. F. Benchoff, R., 5,536
L. F. Benchoff, P., 228 — 5,911
Charlees Walter, W., 137
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Charles Walter, P., 201 — 5,752
J. A. Hoover, S., 317
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FULTON COUNTY.

Clem Chesnut, D., 1,202
L. W. Seylar, W., 25
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GREENE COUNTY.

George Brent Drake, D., 2,953
W. F. Blair, W., 29
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HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Harry Brewster, D., 2,081
Harry Brewster, W., 350
Harry Brewster, S., 143 — 2,574
J. G. Dell, R., 3,399
J. G. Dell, P., 165 — 3,564

INDIANA COUNTY.

John A. Remaley, D., 2,055
M. C. Watson, W., 212
Wilmer H. Wood, R., 4,068
Lafayette Gamble, S., 391
James S. Kirkwood, P., 911

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

H. B. Ford, D., 2,770
Harry B. King, D., 2,789
Lex N. Mitchell, W., 457
Lex N. Mitchell, R., 3,876
Lex N. Mitchell, Scat., 142 — 4,475
Linus M. Lewis, R., 4,124
Charles Allen, S., 492
Joseph Strawbridge, S., 480
J. L. Jones, P., 322
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JUNIATA COUNTY.

Isaiah Musser, D., 1,424
Isaiah Musser, P., 17 — 1,441
William H. Rodgers, W., 28
James Bergy, R., 1,234

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

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William Luxemburger, D., 2,193
David Fowler, W., 636
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H. Penhale, S., 76
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Hugh A. Dawson, R., 3,085
Thomas Moffitt, S., 95
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Frederick C. Ehrhardt, D., 2,112
Frederick C. Ehrhardt, W., 117
Frederick C. Ehrhardt, R., 2,805 — 5,034
Edward Robling, S., 131
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William W. Jones, W., 17
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E. J. Rochstein, S., 42
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David F. Davis, W., 174
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Aaron B. Hess, W., 48
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Amos C. Habecker, D., 5,819
J. Irwin Huber, D., 5,812
John W. Whiteside, D., 5,799
A. L. Campbell, W., 178
H. S. Mentzer, W., 153
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Charles S. Coates, P., 875
Horace E. Heisey, P., 869
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LAWRENCE COUNTY.

George R. Andrews, D., 3,009
John G. Cobler, D., 3,287
J. J. Dean, W., 319
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J. J. Dean, S., 612 — 5,752
Robert L. Wallace, W., 467
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James Bohn, L. O., 397 — 4,330
Ezra R. Early, D., 3,631
Ezra R. Early, L. O., 478 — 4,109
Isaac K. Urich, R., 5,010
Asa A. Weimer, R., 5,016
Wilson Burkholder, S., 200
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Clarence T. Davis, W., 113
David R. Horne, R., 4,375
Henry W. Schlegel, S., 457
Edwin Kichline, P., 165

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George J. A. Miller, W., 142
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Daniel G. Hopkins, W., 94
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Conrad G. Miller, R., 3,452 — 5,587
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Milton C. Swortwood, R., 2,040
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John A. Walsh, D., 2,288
John McKay, W., 89
John McKay, R., 3,915
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7th Dist.—
Thomas Finnerty, D., 3,622
Thomas Finnerty, W., 588
Thomas Finnerty, R. P., 73
Thomas Finnerty, K., 14 — 4,297
David W. Thomas, D., 2,832
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John Luppert, D., 5,932
Michael Wolf, D., 4,960
Chas. F. Bidelpacher, W., 938
Chas. F. Bidelpacher, R., 5,333 — 6,271
W. Clyde Harer, W., 748
W. Clyde Harer, R., 5,243 — 5,991
B. Harman, S., 1,037
William Von Neida, S., 920
Samuel Hassell, P., 525
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McKEAN COUNTY.

Frank P. Isherwood, D., 2,490
Frank P. Isherwood, W., 434
Frank P. Isherwood, P., 681
Frank P. Isherwood, L. O., 139
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Plummer N. Osborne, P., 653
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John A. Fitzgibbon, R., 3,929
John A. Fitzgibbon, Scat., 74 — 4,003
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Robert Patton Habgood, Scat., 65 — 3,680
F. W. Crawford, S., 448
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MERCER COUNTY.

John W. Canon, D., 6,124
S. H. Miller, D., 5,645
Theodore Morgan, W., 292
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John F. McConnell, R., 5,393
Edward Bell, S., 767
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F. A. Rupp, D., 1,930
F. A. Rupp, W., 32 — 1,962
Charles G. Corbin, R., 1,963
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MONROE COUNTY.

Wade H. Mervine, D., 2,637
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
Frederick Markoe, D., 2,950
Fletcher W. Stites, W., 183
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Mary Culver, S., 102
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James S. Boyd, R., 5,424
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3d Dist.—
Grover C. Albright, D., 2,946
Isaiah T. Haldeman, R., 5,501
John D. Ortlip, S., 142
John L. Doan, P., 109
4th Dist.—
Harvey Christman, D., 4,137
Harry S. Mack, W., 38
Harry S. Mack, R., 2,366 — 2,404
Harry C. Grubb, S., 417
Ellwood Land, P., 53
Charles D. Ryan, S. T., 21
Scattering, 1

MONTOUR COUNTY.

Wm. Kase West, D., 1,335
Wm. Kase West, S., 29 — 1,364
J. Miles Derr, R., 1,057
J. Miles Derr, P., 158 — 1,215

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

W. M. Benninger, D., 9,731
Oliver W. Smith, D., 9,793
Robert A. Stofflet, D., 9,440
Edward G. Aicher, W., 652
Edward G. Aicher, R., 8,726 — 9,378
Edward Kiefer, W., 526
Edward Kiefer, R., 8,621 — 9,147
Titus M. Ruch, W., 487
Titus M. Ruch, R., 8,547 — 9,034
Alvin Huff, S., 540
Chas. Beiler, P., 755
Clyde Hilliard, P., 652
S. J. Witman, P., 507

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Chas. A. Ambrose, D., 7,684
Daniel F. Gallagher, D., 7,308
John N. Mack, D., 7,087
Daniel W. Helt, W., 651
Daniel W. Helt, R., 7,752 — 8,403
H. Holman, W., 404
S. B. Kriss, W., 315
S. B. Kriss, P., 617 — 932
Noble Clements, R., 8,103
William W. Robertson, R., 7,794
S. G. Bickel, S., 1,146
William A. Blecker, S., 1,079
David Cline, S., 1,077
D. Leinbach, P., 420
Scattering, 1

PERRY COUNTY.

Lewis E. Donnally, D., 2,310
John S. Eby, W., 69
John S. Eby, R., 2,379 — 2,448
E. W. Buffington, P., 50

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
Joseph S. G. Fisher, D., 4,297
Michael J. Roach, D., 4,261
William Rau, W., 74
William Rau, K., 6 — 80
Leopold C. Glass, R., 9,065
John Mehring, R., 9,068
Harry Fisher, S., 434
Maurice Goldberg, S., 431
2d Dist.—
Frank Malone, D., 304
Charles C. A. Baldi, Jr., R., 3,050
Louis Howard Zeff, S., 34
3d Dist.—
Henry J. Crosby, D., 731
Henry J. Crosby, R., 5,698
Henry J. Crosby, K., 2 — 6,431
Isadore Stern, D., 704
Isadore Stern, R., 5,718
Isadore Stern, K., 1 — 6,423
Harry A. Hallen, W., 74
Charles J. Roney, Jr., W., 83
L. A. Goldberg, S., 46
J. A. Pashantis, S., 44
4th Dist.—
Harry A. McDermott, D., 958
James V. Lafferty, W., 9
James V. Lafferty, R., 3,431
James V. Lafferty, K., 1 — 3,444
Helen Murphy, S., 37
5th Dist.—
George P. Bickerton, D., 6,545
John M. Ormsby, D., 6,528
William L. Rooney, D., 6,545
Jos. Bailey, W., 297
Daniel J. Greene, W., 179
Edwin R. Cox, R., 14,643
Byron A. Milner, R., 14,617
Edward W. Wells, R., 14,578
Charles Kelly, S., 236
William Stinger, S., 252
John F. Willett, S., 230
John Singerly, K., 73
6th Dist.—
Daniel J. Neary, D., 378
Daniel J. Neary, R., 4,521
Daniel J. Neary, K., 3 — 4,902
E. J. Neary, S., 19
Scattering, 1
7th Dist.—
John Carey, D., 1,026
W. A. Allmond, W., 38
Thomas F. McNichol, R., 4,813
Thomas F. McNichol, K., 1
Thomas F. McNichol, S., 26 — 4,840
Scattering, 1
8th Dist.—
William H. Rogers, D., 1,356
William H. Rogers, R., 7,082
William H. Rogers, K., 6 — 8,444
Jefferson W. Smith, D., 1,344
Jefferson W. Smith, R., 7,088
Jefferson W. Smith, K., 6 — 8,438
W. H. Jones, W., 55
Ephriam Lipschutz, W., 53
George Chentan, S., 95
Rudolph Stark, S., 97
Scattering, 1
9th Dist.—
Henry Gransback, D., 440
Henry Gransback, R., 2,671 — 3,111
James Phillips, W., 10
Robert Mays, S., 52
10th Dist.—
James M. Kelly, D., 2,153
James J. Welsh, D., 2,065
Louis Goodfriend, W., 235
Thomas T. Stilley, W., 413
William J. Brady, R., 4,266
William J. Brady, P. L., 18 — 4,284
Andrew M. Richards, R., 4,214
Andrew M. Richards, P. L., 10 — 4,224
Robert McCormick, Jr., S., 67
Scattering, 1
Nikolas Stadler, S., 130
11th Dist.—
Frank J. McConnell, D., 2,230
Edward B. Walsh, W., 3
Richard Curry, R., 4,707
Nikolas Stadler, S., 130
12th Dist.—
Thomas Hickey, Sr., D., 2,917
James Scollon, Jr., D., 2,851
John E. Arthur, W., 42
John E. Arthur, R., 6,164
John E. Arthur, K., 17 — 6,223
Matthew Patterson, W., 36
Matthew Patterson, R., 6,128
Matthew Patterson, K., 20 — 6,184
Christian Sauer, S., 192
Marcellus Wait, S., 183
Scattering, 1
13th Dist.—
James J. McCafferty, D., 2,284
Edward Weiss, D., 2,254
Raymond H. Gordon, W., 97
Geo. W. Kensil, W., 110
Max Aron, R., 7,140
Max Aron, P. L., 4 — 7,144
Joseph H. McArdle, R., 7,124
Harry Cohen, S., 231
August Lincoln, S., 219

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY—Continued.

John H. McArdle, P. L., -- 2
Scattering, ---------- 1

14th Dist.—
Thomas Martin, D., ------- 1,819
John R. Grammer, W.,----- 1,033
James C. Wobensmith, R., 3,736
John N. Lynch, S., -------- 70

15th Dist.—
John V. Cummins, D., ---------- 5,321
John V. Cummins, R., ----------13,375
John V. Cummins, P. L., ---------- 10
——18,706
Wm. H. Still, D., ---------- 5,359
Michael Smith Bennett, W., ---------- 558
Michael Smith Bennett, R., ----------15,072
Michael Smith Bennett, K., ---------- 40
Michael Smith Bennett, P. L., ---------- 15
——15,685
Samuel B. Scott, W., 2,346
Samuel B. Scott, P., 302
—— 2,648
Edwin N. Johnson, S., ----- 369
Percival J. Parris, S., ----- 362
Chas. T. Evans, K., ------- 109
Scattering, ---------- 3

16th Dist.—
John A. Levis, D., -------- 4,537
James A. Dunn, W., 91
James A. Dunn, R.,- 7,153
James A. Dunn, P. L., ---------- 4
James A. Dunn, Franklin, ---------- 7
—— 7,255
Elmer E. Creely, S., ------ 192
Samuel Cook, K., ---------- 100

17th Dist.—
John Boylan, Jr., D., ---- 9,343
William Powers, D., ------- 9,125
Thomas S. Welsh, D., ----- 9,070
Andrew Flood, W.,-- 1,260
Andrew Flood, R. P., 202
—— 1,462
John S. Hemphill, Sr., W., 1,118
Wm. H. McCracken, W.,-- 1,511
Theodore Campbell, R., ----------15,581
Theodore Campbell, K., ---------- 28
Theodore Campbell, R. P., ---------- 210
——15,819
James J. Heffernan, R., --14,924
Russell T. Vodges, R.,15,384
Russell T. Vodges, K., 49
——15,433
John P. Brown, S., --------- 445
Barnet Kerman, S., --------- 433
Caspar Oberstadt, S., ---- 421
Robert Wood, Jr., K., ----- 38
J. C. Evans, R. P., ------- 93
L. F. Bechtel, P., ---------- 229
J. M. Doran, P., ---------- 224
James Whitly, P., ---------- 202
Charles B. Lynch, Jr., U. L., ---------- 19
Francis E. Scullin, U. L.,-- 21
Scattering, ---------- 4

18th Dist.—
John P. Bannon, D., ------ 4,361
Charles J. Fenningham, D., 4,329
Michael Wayne Kratz, W.,-- 75
James G. Ogden, W., 230
James G. Ogden, P., 32
—— 262
Samuel J. Perry, R., 7,342
Samuel J. Perry, K., 16
—— 7,358
John F. Snowden, R., 7,250
John F. Snowden, K., 18
—— 7,268
J. B. Hanson, S., ---------- 209
Geo. W. Snyder, Jr., S., -- 205
Scattering, ---------- 2

19th Dist.—
John F. Larkins, D., ------ 4,479
Leo. M. Redmond, D., ---- 4,422
William H. Brill, W., 1,142
William H. Brill, K., 69
—— 1,211
Arthur R. B. Fox, W., ---------- 991
Arthur R. B. Fox, P., ---------- 49
—— 1,040
Herman L. Hecht, R., 7,655
Herman L. Hecht, P., L., ---------- 28
—— 7,683
John Reynolds, R.,-- 7,391
John Reynolds, P. L., 21
—— 7,412
Herman Landgrel, S., ----- 357
Grant Straley, S., -------- 350

20th Dist.—
Morris B. Doster, D., ------ 2,627
Joseph McIntosh, D., 2,780
Joseph McIntosh, W., 283
—— 3,063
E. Hubbs, W., ---------- 147
Patrick Conner, R., -------- 7,524
John H. Drinkhouse, R., ---------- 7,665
John H. Drinkhouse, P. L., ---------- 17
—— 7,682
Thomas Birtwistle, S., ---- 220
Alfred Merz, S., ---------- 216
Scattering, ---------- 1

21st Dist.—
Dennis J. Grace, D., ------- 7,560
John K. Loughlin, D., ----- 7,412
Cornelius Hoy, W., -------- 1,309
James Franklin, R.,-17,927
James Franklin, B. M., ---------- 131
James Franklin, P. L., ---------- 12
——18,070
James A. Walker, R.,18,359
James A. Walker, K., 43
James A. Walker, P., 398
——18,800
Walter A. Evitts, S., ------ 378
Leonardo Terrone, S., ----- 333
W. A. Wacker, P. L., ----- 47
J. E. Jones, P., ---------- 170
Scattering, ---------- 8

22d Dist.—
Simon B. Bransky, D., ----- 2,063
Franklin H. Klotz, W., ---- 204
Benjamin M. Golder, R., ---------- 4,808
Benjamin M. Golder, R. P., ---------- 17
—— 4,825
Samuel Spicker, S., -------- 164
Scattering, ---------- 3

23rd Dist.—
John Armstrong, D., ------ 3,098
Henry N. Kerr, W., -------- 891
Sigmund J. Gans, R., 6,545
Sigmund J. Gans, K., 22
—— 6,567
John C. Algard, S., -------- 206
Wm. H. Bassett, P., ----- 77
Scattering, ---------- 3

24th Dist.—
John H. Shade, D., -------- 3,078
Frank Fackler, R., ---------- 5,920
Sigfried Fuld, S., ---------- 369
William Ball, P., ---------- 57
Scattering, ---------- 1

25th Dist.—
Frederick Beyer, D.., 2,762
Frederick Beyer, R.,- 5,674
Frederick Beyer, K.,- 11
—— 8,447
George H. Detweiler, W., -- 1,168
Gustav Konstanzer, S., ---- 294
Jno. Wanamaker, P., ----- 107
Scattering, ---------- 1

26th Dist.—
Isaac S. Grossman, D.,---- 1,773
Harry Hildersheim, W., ---- 422
Philip Sterling, R.,-- 3,594
Philip Sterling, K.,--- 33
Philip Sterling, P. L., 1
—— 3,628
James L. Leo, S., ---------- 75
Scattering, ---------- 1

PIKE COUNTY.

Frank I. Smith, D., ---------- 737
Julius W. Kiesel, W., -------- 259
J. O. Ryder, R., ---------- 500

POTTER COUNTY.

Herbert L. Pearsall, D., 1,587
Herbert L. Pearsall, P., 398
—— 1,985
Henry T. Albee, R., ---------- 2,150
Scattering, ---------- 3

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
George Stauffenberg, D., -- 2,636
Adam C. Schaffer, R., ----- 5,018
P. Possessky, S., ---------- 399
2d Dist.—
James Donnelley, D., -------- 2,527
Robert R. Seitzinger, W., ---------- 338
Robert R. Seitzinger, R., ---------- 1,860
—— 2,198
Jno. G. Stephens, S., ------ 157
3d Dist.—
John C. Breslin, D., -------- 2,355
B. J. Yost, R., ---------- 3,191
4th Dist.—
Patrick V. Higgins, D., ---- 4,225
S. R. Kepner, D., ---------- 4,349
Cyrus M. Palmer, R., ------ 7,676
John E. Sones, R., ---------- 7,314

SNYDER COUNTY.

John F. Erdley, D., ---------- 1,436
James W. Sampsell, W., 117
James W. Sampsell, R., 1,381
—— 1,498

SOMERSET COUNTY.

William W. Watson, D., ---- 2,373
Henry H. Wiant, D., -------- 2,327
Robert W. Lohr, W.,-- 230
Robert W. Lohr, R.,-- 5,150
—— 5,380
John P. Statler, W., -------- 406
M. W. Speicher, R., ---------- 5,202
Eber K. Cockley, S., -------- 509
Herman G. Lepley, S., ------ 497
E. E. McDonald, P., -------- 279
S. G. Shaffer, P., ---------- 268

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Charles Taylor, D., ---------- 1,030
Herbert M. Kellogg, W., 71
Herbert M. Kellogg, R., 809
—— 880

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Fred W. Dean, D., ---------- 3,047
Allan D. Miller, W., -- 86
Allan D. Miller, R., -- 3,569
Allan D. Miller, P., -- 223
—— 3,878

TIOGA COUNTY.

Frank H. Marvin, D., 1,437
Frank H. Marvin, W., 161
Frank H. Marvin, R., 4,542
Frank H. Marvin, S., 81
Frank H. Marvin, P., 359
—— 6,580
George W. Williams, D., 1,352
George W. Williams, W., ---------- 435
George W. Williams, R., 4,194
George W. Williams, P., 344
—— 6,325
Scattering, ---------- 1

UNION COUNTY.

Clair Groover, D., ---------- 1,310
Harry M. Showalter, W., ---------- 50
Harry M. Showalter, R., ---------- 1,701
Harry M. Showalter, P., ---------- 43
—— 1,794

VENANGO COUNTY.

N. Mackin, D., ---------- 2,368
L. L. Ray, D., ---------- 2,354
John H. McKinney, W., 197
John H. McKinney, R., 2,861
—— 3,058
Daniel B. Goodwin, R., ------ 2,966
C. D. Carpenter, S., -------- 577
J. H. Rupert, S., ---------- 552
Wm. P. F. Ferguson, P., --- 2,807
W. P. Ferringer, P., -------- 2,600

WARREN COUNTY.

Elmer M. Hodges, D., 2,293
Elmer M. Hodges, W., 127
—— 2,420
John Siggins, Jr., R., ------- 3,059
Homer K. Miller, P., -------- 801
Scattering, ---------- 3

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Joseph T. Cowan, D., ------- 6,999
George W. Risbeck, D., ----- 6,925
D. C. Vester, D., ---------- 6,836
George Plummer Baker, R.,-10,057
George C. McPeake, R., ---- 9,937
J. Add Sprowls, R., ---------10,116
D. Lekovitz, S., ---------- 1,072
A. McKechnie, S., ---------- 1,085
W. Yoders, ---------- 1,076
John Griffith, P., ---------- 1,051
William McPeak, P., -------- 1,035
Merrill P. Rush, P., --------- 1,019

WAYNE COUNTY.

Nelson J. Spencer, D., -------- 2,136
Fred C. Reichenbacker, W., ---------- 117
Fred C. Reichenbacker, R., ---------- 2,342
—— 2,459
S. H. Dills, P., ---------- 203

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
David B. Fisher, D., ------ 3,490
David J. Schulte, D., ------ 3,457
John B. Coldsmith, W., ---------- 449
John B. Coldsmith, R., ---------- 3,701
——— 4,150
David D. Fisher, W., ------ 164
A. D. Miller, R., ---------- 3,781
N. W. Matthews, S., ------ 390
H. C. Schroding, S., ------ 424
Elmer E. Myers, P., ------- 181
L. A. Stahl, P., ---------- 165

2d Dist.—
H. I. Arnold, D., ---------- 8,593
Marion P. Shoemaker, D.,-- 9,445
Frank J. Wagner, D., ---- 9,026
J. D. Luce, W., ---------- 268
Daniel J. Snyder, W., 411
Daniel J. Snyder, R.,10,333
Daniel J. Snyder, P., 135
———10,879
Victor B. Bouton, R., ----- 9,939
Richard T. Dale, R., ----- 9,921
Harry Eckard, S., --------- 2,254
E. S. Miller, S., ---------- 2,228
W. H. Temme, S., ------- 2,145
A. S. Henry, P., ---------- 646
W. W. McCormick, P., ---- 667

WYOMING COUNTY.

Frank J. Herman, D., ------ 1,518
Joseph F. Ogden, W.,- 30
Joseph F. Ogden, R.,-- 1,447
Joseph F. Ogden, P.,-- 62
——— 1,539
Kiler Richard, S., ---------- 40
Frank R. Lindsey, I., ------- 71

YORK COUNTY.

1st Dist.—
Oscar O. Ettline, D., ------ 3,760
Robert S. Spangler, R., -- 4,042
H. Ellsworth Myers, S., --- 443
Allen C. Shue, P., --------- 1,492
Scattering, ---------- 1
2d Dist.—
William Eppley, D.,-- 2,656
William Eppley, L. O., ---------- 29
——— 2,685
C. E. Cook, W., ---- 40
C. E. Cook, R., ---- 2,542
C. E. Cook, P., ---- 180
——— 2,762
Scattering, ---------- 1
3d Dist.—
Samuel S. Laucks, D., ---- 3,350
Samuel J. Barnett, W., ---------- 38
Samuel J. Barnett, R., ---------- 2,680
Samuel J. Barnett, P., ---------- 163
——— 2,881
John Tome, S., ---------- 51
Scattering, ---------- 3
4th Dist.—
Henry E. Lanius, D., ----- 5,369
Charles Stover, S., --------- 209
W. A. Stone, P., ---------- 333
Scattering, ---------- 5

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. SESSION OF 1917.

Whereupon the following named persons were declared duly elected members in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, viz:

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D. Calvin Rudisill.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

1st District.
Thomas Paul Geary.
Sumer Somerman.
2nd District.
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3rd District.
John Lauler.
4th District.
William W. Mearkle.
5th District.
Charles Ross.
6th District.
Gustave A. Wickman.
William J. Howarth.
William J. Mangan.
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Daniel A. Mailie.
Charles A. Michel.
8th District.
Edward M. Hough.
William F. Stadtlander.
9th District.
James F. Woodward.
10th District.
W. Crawford Murdoch.
J. Ren. Wylie.
Carl C. Baldridge.
11th District.
W. Heber Dithrich.
Joseph G. Steedle.
William C. Wagner.
John H. W. Simpson.
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Nelson McVicar.
John W. Vickerman.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

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BEDFORD COUNTY.

Edgar R. Smith.

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Walter A. Ringler.
James H. Maurer.
2nd District.
B. Morris Strauss.
Daniel A. Rothenberger.
Wilson G. Sarig.

BLAIR COUNTY.

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James E. Rininger.
2nd District.
H. Atlee Brumbaugh.
Samuel McCurdy.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

W. Worth Jennings. Charles P. Dewey.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Daniel G. Fretz. Henry Y. Pickering.

BUTLER COUNTY.

James O. Campbell. James M. McCullough.

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1st District.
J. Ross Horne.
2nd District.
Frank P. Hollern.
William Davis.

CAMERON COUNTY.

C. Jay Goodnough.

CARBON COUNTY.

Harry Zanders.

CENTRE COUNTY.

Harry B. Scott.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Samuel A. Whitaker. Harry C. Graham.
Maris M. Hollingsworth.

CLARION COUNTY.

Ernice M. Sweitzer.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

Joseph E. Phillips. Green W. Bell.
Harry Boulton.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Michael Bond Rich.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Charles A. Shaffer.

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Horace C. Barner. Eugene A. Burnett.

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Joshua W. Swartz.
A. Ramsey S. Black.
2nd District.
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Ira E. Ulsh.

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2nd District.
Richard J. Baldwin.
Harry H. Heyburn.

ELK COUNTY.

John M. Flynn.

ERIE COUNTY.

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June R. Bovee.
2nd District.
Frank J. Leary.
3rd District.
Howard P. Shunk.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

1st District.
William Manning Rhodes.
2nd District.
Duncan Sinclair.
Lee Smith.
D. Harry Horton.

FOREST COUNTY.

John J. Haight.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Louden F. Benchoff. Charles Walter.

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Clem Chestnut.

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Isaiah D. Musser.

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2nd District.
Hugh A. Dawson.
3rd District.
Frederick C. Ehrhardt.
4th District.
Michael J. Ruddy.
5th District.
William W. Jones.
6th District.
David F. Davis.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

1st District.
Aaron B. Hess.
2nd District.
Quintin O. Reitzel.
George Hibshman.
Michael R. Hoffman.
Harry L. Rhoads.

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Jacob J. Dean. Robert L. Wallace.

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Isaac K. Urich. Asa A. Weimer.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

1st District.
Ira T. Erdman.
2nd District.
George J. A. Miller.
3rd District.
Albert E. Rinn.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

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Conrad G. Miller.
2nd District.
Peter Murphy.
3rd District.
Patrick H. Wynne.
4th District.
Thomas J. Morgan.
5th District.
Richard Powell.
6th District.
John McKay.
7th District.
Richard Aston.
David W. Thomas.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

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John A. Fitzgibbon. Frank P. Isherwood.

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MIFFLIN COUNTY.

Charles Grant Corbin.

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Wade H. Mervine.

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Fletcher W. Stites.
2nd District.
James S. Boyd.
3rd District.
Isaiah T. Haldeman.
4th District.
Harvey Christman.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

William Kase West.

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William M. Benninger.

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William W. Robertson.

PERRY COUNTY.

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Edwin R. Cox.
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William H. Rogers.
Jefferson W. Smith.
9th District.
Henry Gransback, Sr.
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Andrew M. Richards.
William J. Brady.
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Richard Curry.
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Matthew Patterson.
John E. Arthur.
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Joseph H. McArdle.
Max Aron.
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Michael Smith Bennett.
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James A. Dunn.
17th District.
James J. Heffernan.
Russell T. Vogdes.
Theodore Campbell.
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John Reynolds.
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Patrick Conner.
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James Franklin.
James A. Walker.
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Frank Fackler.
25th District.
Frederick Beyer.
26th District.
Philip Sterling.

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B. Jefferson Yost.
4th District.
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John E. Sones.

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WARREN COUNTY.

John Siggins, Jr.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

George C. McPeake. J. Add Sprowls.
George Plummer Baker.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Fred. C. Reichenbacker.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

1st District.
Ananias David Miller.
John B. Coldsmith.

2nd District.
Richard T. Dale.
Daniel J. Snyder.
Victor B. Bouton.

WYOMING COUNTY.

Joseph F. Ogden.

YORK COUNTY.

1st District.
Robert S. Spangler.
2nd District.
Calvin E. Cook.
3rd District.
Samuel S. Laucks.
4th District.
Henry E. Lanius.

ROLL CALL.

The CHIEF CLERK. The roll will now be called.

The roll being called, the following members were present:

MEMBERS PRESENT.

ADAMS COUNTY.

D. Calvin Rudisill.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

1st District.
Thomas Paul Geary.
Sumer Somerman.
2nd District.
John C. Sullivan.
William J. McCaig.
3rd District.
John Lauler.
4th District.
William W. Markle.
5th District.
Charles Ross.
6th District.
Gustave A. Wickman.
William J. Howarth.
William J. Mangan.
7th District.
Daniel A. Malie.
Charles A. Michel.
8th District.
Edward M. Hough.
William F. Stadlander.
9th District.
James F. Woodward.
10th District.
W. Crawford Murdoch.
J. Ren. Wylie.
Carl C. Baldridge.
11th District.
W. Heber Dithrich.
Joseph G. Steedle.
William C. Wagner.
John H. W. Simpson.
12th District.
Nelson McVicar.
John W. Vickerman.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Milton S. Jack. Miles A. Milliron.

BEAVER COUNTY.

James R. Gormley. Charles H. Kennedy.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

Edgar R. Smith.

BERKS COUNTY.

1st District.
Walter A. Ringler.
James H. Maurer.
2nd District.
B. Morris Strauss.
Daniel A. Rothenberger.
Wilson G. Sarig.

BLAIR COUNTY.

1st District.
James E. Rininger.
2nd District.
H. Atlee Brumbaugh.
Samuel McCurdy.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

W. Worth Jennings. Charles P. Dewey.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Daniel G. Fretz. Henry Y. Pickering.

BUTLER COUNTY.

James O. Campbell. James M. McCullough.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

1st District.
J. Ross Horne.
2nd District.
Frank P. Hollern.
William Davis.

CAMERON COUNTY.

C. Jay Goodnough.

CARBON COUNTY.

Harry Zanders.

CENTRE COUNTY.

Harry B. Scott.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Samuel A. Whitaker. Harry C. Graham.
Maris M. Hollingsworth.

CLARION COUNTY.

Ernice M. Sweitzer.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

Joseph E. Phillips. Green W. Bell.
Harry Boulton.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Michael Bond Rich.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Charles A. Shaffer.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

John P. Williams. Frederick J. Shattuck.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Horace C. Barner. Eugene A. Burnett.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

1st District.
Joshua W. Swartz.
A. Ramsey S. Black.
2nd District.
David J. Bechtold.
Ira E. Ulsh.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

1st District.
William T. Ramsey.
2nd District.
Richard J. Baldwin.
Harry H. Heyburn.

ELK COUNTY.

John M. Flynn.

ERIE COUNTY.

1st District.
June R. Bovee.
2nd District.
Frank J. Leary.
3rd District.
Howard P. Shunk.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

1st District.
William Manning Rhodes.
2nd District.
Duncan Sinclair.
Lee Smith.
D. Harry Horton.

FOREST COUNTY.

John J. Haight.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Louden F. Benchoff. Charles Walter.

FULTON COUNTY.

Clem Chestnut.

GREENE COUNTY.

George Brent Drake.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

James G. Dell.

INDIANA COUNTY.

Wilmer H. Wood.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Lex N. Mitchell. Linus M. Lewis.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

1st District.
David Fowler.
2nd District.
Hugh A. Dawson.
3rd District.
Frederick C. Ehrhardt.
4th District.
Michael J. Ruddy.
5th District.
William W. Jones.
6th District.
David F. Davis.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

1st District.
Aaron B. Hess.
2nd District.
George Hibshman.
Michael R. Hoffman.
Harry L. Rhoads.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Jacob J. Dean. Robert L. Wallace.

LEBANON COUNTY.

Isaac K. Urich. Asa A. Weimer.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

1st District.
Ira T. Erdman.
2nd District.
George J. A. Miller.
3rd District.
Albert E. Rinn.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

1st District.
Conrad G. Miller.
2nd District.
Peter Murphy.
3rd District.
Patrick H. Wynne.
4th District.
Thomas J. Morgan.
5th District.
Richard Powell.
6th District.
John McKay.
7th District.
Richard Aston.
David W. Thomas.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Charles F. Bidelspacher. John Luppert.

McKEAN COUNTY.

John A. Fitzgibbon. Frank P. Isherwood.

MERCER COUNTY.

Theodore Morgan. John W. Canon.

MIFFLIN COUNTY.

Charles Grant Corbin.

MONROE COUNTY.

Wade H. Mervine.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

1st District.
Fletcher W. Stites.
2nd District.
James S. Boyd.
3rd District.
Isaiah T. Haldeman.
4th District.
Harvey Christman.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

William Kase West.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Robert A. Stofflet. Oliver W. Smith.
William M. Benninger.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Daniel W. Helt. Noble Clements.
William W. Robertson.

PERRY COUNTY.

John S. Eby.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

1st District.
John Mehring.
Leopold C. Glass.
2nd District.
Charles C. A. Baldi.
3rd District.
Henry J. Crosby.
Isadore Stern.
4th District.
James V. Lafferty.
5th District.
Byron A. Milner.
Edward W. Wells.
Edwin R. Cox.
6th District.
Daniel J. Neary.
7th District.
Thomas F. McNichol.
8th District.
William H. Rogers.
Jefferson W. Smith.
9th District.
Henry Gransback, Sr.
10th District.
Andrew M. Richards.
William J. Brady.
11th District.
Richard Curry.
12th District.
Matthew Patterson.
John E. Arthur.
13th District.
Joseph H. McArdle.
Max Aron.
14th District.
James C. Wobensmith.
15th District.
John V. Cummins.
Michael Smith Bennett.
16th District.
James A. Dunn.
17th District.
James J. Heffernan.
Russell T. Vogdes.
Theodore Campbell.
18th District.
John F. Snowden.
Samuel J. Perry.
19th District.
Herman L. Hecht.
John Reynolds.
20th District.
Patrick Conner.
John H. Drinkhouse.
21st District.
James Franklin.
James A. Walker.
22nd District.
Benjamin M. Golder.
23rd District.
Sigmund J. Gans.
24th District.
Frank Fackler.
25th District.
Frederick Beyer.
26th District.
Philip Sterling.

PIKE COUNTY.

Frank I. Smith.

POTTER COUNTY.

Henry T. Albee.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

1st District.
Adam C. Schaeffer.
2nd District.
James Donneley.
4th District.
Cyrus M. Palmer.
John E. Sones.

SNYDER COUNTY.

James W. Sampsell.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Robert W. Lohr. Morris W. Speicher.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Charles E. Taylor.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Allan D. Miller.

TIOGA COUNTY.

George W. Williams. Frank H. Marvin.

UNION COUNTY.

Harry M. Showalter.

VENANGO COUNTY.

John H. McKinney. Daniel B. Goodwin.

WARREN COUNTY.

John Siggins, Jr.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

George C. McPeake. J. Add Sprowls.
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WAYNE COUNTY.

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YORK COUNTY.

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2nd District.
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3rd District.
Samuel S. Laucks.
4th District.
Henry E. Lanius.

MEMBERS ABSENT.

JUNIATA COUNTY.

Isaiah D. Musser.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

2nd District.

Quintin O. Reitzel.

MEMBER-ELECT DECEASED.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

3rd District.

B. Jefferson Yost.

The CHIEF CLERK. Two hundred and four members having answered to their names, a quorum is present. The House is now ready to proceed to business.

JUDGE TO ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE.

Mr. SWARTZ, a member-elect, offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Hon. S. J. M. McCarrell, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, learned in the law, be requested to administer the oath required to be taken by the members of the House of Representatives.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO MEMBERS ELECT.

The CHIEF CLERK. The members-elect will present themselves before the bar of the House, where the oath of office, as required by law, will be administered to them by the Hon. S. J. M. McCarrell, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

The oath of office was then administered to the members-elect present.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER.

Mr. MILES A. MILLIRON offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of Article II, Section 9, of the Constitution the House now proceed to the election of a Speaker, and that the clerks act as tellers.

NOMINATIONS FOR SPEAKER.

Mr. HESS. Mr. Clerk and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives: Three score and three years ago, in a modest home nestling among the trees of a Chester County farm, located on the banks of the historic Brandywine, a son was born. The chief asset of this birth was not the inheritance of houses and lands; nay, nor of silver or gold, but rather a parentage whose life was controlled by principles of integrity and sterling worth. As this young man grew to a school age, he attended school in the little red schoolhouse close by the farm, and circumstances denied him a college education. When he had completed his work in the nearby academy, founded by his worthy ancestry, his school days, so far as an organized school was concerned, were ended. But this was the kind of a young man to whom life was a school, and as he left the threshold of that academy and went out into the world his great soul feeling the vibration of the activities about him, he yearned for larger learning and larger qualifications so as to take his place and do the work of a man in his community and in his Commonwealth. Not only did he grow in stature, but as he grew in stature he grew in the esteem of those who knew him best and finally that esteem found expression in their having called him from private life to serve them in a public capacity. For twenty-two years he was repeatedly elected to public office, never having been defeated by his own people. Sixteen years of that period was spent in this Legislative Hall. Six years of that period was spent in the office of Recorder of Deeds in his own county.

Conspicuous in the magnificent picture that adorns the south wall of this splendid Hall is the Honorable Thaddeus Stevens, a man who made the county that I have the honor to represent, great. What was it in the life of Thaddeus Stevens that enabled him to reflect credit, not only upon himself but upon the county in which he lived? It was the fact that he was a man who had the courage of his convictions and was never afraid to do his duty as he saw it, and yet he was the kind of a man to whom reason could always appeal. It is that kind of a man that I have honor and pleasure in presenting to you to-day for the high honor of Speaker, to preside over the deliberations of this Legislative Body during the ensuing session.

It affords me pleasure, gentlemen, to present the name of Honorable Richard J. Baldwin, of Delaware County.

Mr. STEEDLE. Mr. Clerk and members of the House. In rising at this time I do so for the purpose of exemplifying and manifesting to the members of this Body that in the western part of this great Commonwealth we, who sat in the caucus last night, and I, who was one of its minority, do heartily second the nomination, and it affords me great pleasure at this time to second the nomination to the most exalted position as Speaker of this Assembly. I therefore second the nomination of the Honorable Richard J. Baldwin, of Delaware County.

Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Clerk and members of the House: I have been delegated by the Democratic Caucus to place in nomination the gentleman selected unanimously by that body as their candidate for Speaker of the House. I am glad to hear so many kind words spoken of my friend and colleague, Mr. Baldwin. I had heard so many reports about him to the contrary during the past few weeks that I had begun to doubt his virtue. Now, all the good that has been said about him can be said about our candidate also and in addition to that we may add that he is a Democrat. I will nominate the Honorable Wilson G. Sarig, of Berks County.

Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. Mr. Clerk and members of the House. I rise to second the nomination that you have just heard made by the gentleman from Elk, the Honorable Wilson G. Sarig for Speaker of the House.

The CHIEF CLERK. Are there any other nominations?

Mr. McARDLE. Mr. Clerk, I move that nominations do now close.

Mr. LAFFFERTY. Mr. Clerk, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The CHIEF CLERK. The clerks will call the roll. The candidates are Richard J. Baldwin and Wilson G. Sarig. The members will respond by stating the name of the candidate they desire to be recorded for, and rise in voting. The clerks will act as tellers.

The vote was then taken as follows:

FOR MR. BALDWIN.

Henry T. Albee named Richard J. Baldwin.
Max Aron named Richard J. Baldwin.
John E. Arthur named Richard J. Baldwin.
Richard Aston named Richard J. Baldwin.
George Plummer Baker named Richard J. Baldwin.
Charles C. A. Baldi, Jr., named Richard J. Baldwin.
Carl C. Baldridge named Richard J. Baldwin.
David J. Bechtold named Richard J. Baldwin.
Douden Francis Benchoff named Richard J. Baldwin.
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H. Atlee Brumbaugh named Richard J. Baldwin.
James O. Cambell named Richard J. Baldwin.
Theodore Campbell named Richard J. Baldwin.
Noble Clements named Richard J. Baldwin.
John B. Coldsmith named Richard J. Baldwin.
Patrick Conner named Richard J. Baldwin.
Calvin E. Cook named Richard J. Baldwin.
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Edwin R. Cox named Richard J. Baldwin.
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Richard Curry named Richard J. Baldwin.
Richard T. Dale named Richard J. Baldwin.

David F. Davis named Richard J. Baldwin.
William Davis named Richard J. Baldwin.
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Harry H. Heyburn named Richard J. Baldwin.
George Hibshman named Richard J. Baldwin.
Michael R. Hoffman named Richard J. Baldwin.
Maris M. Hollingsworth named Richard J. Baldwin.
J. Ross Horne named Richard J. Baldwin.
D. Harry Horton named Richard J. Baldwin.
Edward M. Hough named Richard J. Baldwin.
William J. Howarth named Richard J. Baldwin.
Milton S. Jack named Richard J. Baldwin.
W. Worth Jennings named Richard J. Baldwin.
William W. Jones named Richard J. Baldwin.
Charles H. Kennedy named Richard J. Baldwin.
James V. Lafferty named Richard J. Baldwin.
John Lauler named Richard J. Baldwin.
Linus M. Lewis named Richard J. Baldwin.
Robert W. Lohr named Richard J. Baldwin.
Daniel A. Malie named Richard J. Baldwin.
William J. Mangan named Richard J. Baldwin.
Frank H. Marvin named Richard J. Baldwin.
Joseph H. McArdle named Richard J. Baldwin.
William J. McCaig named Richard J. Baldwin.
James M. McCollough named Richard J. Baldwin.
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William W. Mcarkle named Richard J. Baldwin.
John Mehring named Richard J. Baldwin.
Charles A. Michel named Richard J. Baldwin.
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George J. A. Miller named Richard J. Baldwin.
Miles A. Milliron named Richard J. Baldwin.
Byron A. Milner named Richard J. Baldwin.
Lex N. Mitchell named Richard J. Baldwin.
Theodore Morgan named Richard J. Baldwin.
Thomas J. Morgan named Richard J. Baldwin.
W. Crawford Murdoch named Richard J. Baldwin.
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Matthew Patterson named Richard J. Baldwin.
Samuel J. Perry named Richard J. Baldwin.
Joseph E. Phillips named Richard J. Baldwin.
Henry Y. Pickering named Richard J. Baldwin.
Richard Powell named Richard J. Baldwin.
William T. Ramsey named Richard J. Baldwin.
Frederick C. Reichenbacher named Richard J. Baldwin.
John Reynolds named Richard J. Baldwin.
Harry L. Rhoads named Richard J. Baldwin.
Michael Bond Rich named Richard J. Baldwin.
Andrew M. Richards named Richard J. Baldwin.
James E. Rininger named Richard J. Baldwin.
William W. Robertson named Richard J. Baldwin.
William H. Rogers named Richard J. Baldwin.
Charles Ross named Richard J. Baldwin.
James W. Sampsell named Richard J. Baldwin.
Wilson G. Sarig named Richard J. Baldwin.
Adam C. Schaeffer named Richard J. Baldwin.
Harry B. Scott named Richard J. Baldwin.
Frederick J. Shattuck named Richard J. Baldwin.
Harry M. Showalter named Richard J. Baldwin.
Howard P. Shunk named Richard J. Baldwin.
John Siggins, Jr., named Richard J. Baldwin.
John H. W. Simpson named Richard J. Baldwin.
Duncan Sinclair named Richard J. Baldwin.
Edgar R. Smith named Richard J. Baldwin.
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Morris W. Speicher named Richard J. Baldwin.
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Philip Sterling named Richard J. Baldwin.
Isadore Stern named Richard J. Baldwin.
Fletcher W. Stites named Richard J. Baldwin.
John C. Sullivan named Richard J. Baldwin.
Joshua W. Swartz named Richard J. Baldwin.
David W. Thomas named Richard J. Baldwin.
Ira E. Ulsh named Richard J. Baldwin.
Isaac K. Urich named Richard J. Baldwin.
John W. Vickerman named Richard J. Baldwin.
Russell T. Vodges named Richard J. Baldwin.
William C. Wagner named Richard J. Baldwin.
James A. Walker named Richard J. Baldwin.
Robert L. Wallace named Richard J. Baldwin.
Charles Walter named Richard J. Baldwin.
Asa A. Weimer named Richard J. Baldwin.
Edward W. Wells named Richard J. Baldwin.
Samuel A. Whitaker named Richard J. Baldwin.
Gustave A. Wickman named Richard J. Baldwin.
George W. Williams named Richard J. Baldwin.
John P. Williams named Richard J. Baldwin.
James C. Wobensmith named Richard J. Baldwin.
Wilmer H. Wood named Richard J. Baldwin.
James F. Woodward named Richard J. Baldwin.
J. Ren Wylie named Richard J. Baldwin.
Harry Zanders named Richard J. Baldwin.

FOR MR. SARIG.

Richard J. Baldwin named Wilson G. Sarig.
Horace C. Barner named Wilson G. Sarig.
Green W. Bell named Wilson G. Sarig.
William M. Benninger named Wilson G. Sarig.
A. Ramsey S. Black named Wilson G. Sarig.
Eugene A. Burnett named Wilson G. Sarig.
John W. Canon named Wilson G. Sarig.
Clem Chestnut named Wilson G. Sarig.
Harvey Christman named Wilson G. Sarig.
James Donneley named Wilson G. Sarig.
George Brent Drake named Wilson G. Sarig.
Ira T. Erdman named Wilson G. Sarig.
John M. Flynn named Wilson G. Sarig.
Frank P. Hollern named Wilson G. Sarig.
Frank P. Isherwood named Wilson G. Sarig.
Henry E. Lanius named Wilson G. Sarig.
Samuel S. Laucks named Wilson G. Sarig.
Frank J. Leary named Wilson G. Sarig.
John Luppert named Wilson G. Sarig.
James H. Maurer named Wilson G. Sarig.
Wade H. Mervine named Wilson G. Sarig.
Peter Murphy named Wilson G. Sarig.
William Manning Rhodes named Wilson G. Sarig.
Walter A. Ringler named Wilson G. Sarig.
Albert E. Rinn named Wilson G. Sarig.
Daniel A. Rothenberger named Wilson G. Sarig.
Michael J. Ruddy named Wilson G. Sarig.
D. Calvin Rudisill named Wilson G. Sarig.
Charles A. Shaffer named Wilson G. Sarig.
Frank I. Smith named Wilson G. Sarig.
Oliver W. Smith named Wilson G. Sarig.
Robert A. Stofflet named Wilson G. Sarig.
B. Morris Strauss named Wilson G. Sarig.
Ernice M. Sweitzer named Wilson G. Sarig.
Charles E. Taylor named Wilson G. Sarig.
William Kase West named Wilson G. Sarig.
Patrick H. Wynne named Wilson G. Sarig.

The CHIEF CLERK. The tellers agree in their count, and the vote cast by the members is as follows: Honorable Richard J. Baldwin received 167 votes; Honorable W. G. Sarig received 37 votes.

Honorable Richard J. Baldwin having received the majority of all the votes cast is declared Speaker of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania for the session of 1917.

The CHIEF CLERK. I will appoint the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cox, and the gentleman from Berks, Mr. Sarig, as a committee to escort the newly elected Speaker to the chair.

Whereupon,

Mr. Baldwin was escorted to the bar of the House by Messrs. Cox and Sarig.

The CHIEF CLERK. Gentlemen of the House, I have the honor of presenting to you the Honorable Richard J. Baldwin, Speaker-elect of the House of Representatives. (Applause.)

The oath of office will now be administered to the Speaker-elect.

SWEARING IN THE SPEAKER.

The oath of office was then administered to Honorable Richard J. Baldwin, Speaker-elect of the House of Representatives by the Hon. S. J. M. McCarrell, additional law judge of the Twelfth Judicial District.

ADDRESS OF THE SPEAKER.

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

No man could be insensible of the great honor of being chosen to preside over the larger branch of the law-making body of this great Commonwealth. I appreciate thoroughly the high distinction shown to the county which I represent and the personal confidence reposed in me. That my election should come after a rare contest makes me prize it all the more, for it indicates a healthy appreciation by the membership of the House of the importance and responsibility of the place with which you have trusted me. I will not burden you with a long declaration of principles and purposes, but I will say that I realize, as we all must, that we have a sacred duty to perform, and that we must all join together for the greatest good to the eight millions of people whom we represent in this great empire of a State. For myself I will pledge fairness, courtesy and full attention to my duty, and I hope to receive the same from by colleagues in the House. We will now get down to business with "economy and efficiency" as our watchword, and with the guidance of Almighty God, make this session memorable for its good works for the people of the State.

NOTIFICATION OF THE SENATE.

Mr. WHITAKER offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform that body that the House of Representatives is now organized and ready to proceed to business.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints Messrs. Ramsey, Dunn and Flynn as said committee.

SENATE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from the Journal of the Senate, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to act in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the House of Representatives (if the House of Representatives shall appoint such committee) to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly is organized and ready to receive any communications which he may be pleased to make and has appointed Messrs. Vare, Burke and Stewart as said committee on part of the Senate.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

Said resolution was twice read, considered and concurred in.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints Messrs. Cox, Stern and Rininger as said committee.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

ELECTION OF THE CHIEF CLERK AND THE RESIDENT CLERK.

Mr. WOODWARD offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives do now go into the nomination and election of a Chief Clerk and a Resident Clerk of the House of Representatives for the session of 1917.

Mr. WOODWARD offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which was read as follows:

Resolved, In order that the business of the House of Representatives may be conducted without delay that we now proceed to the election of a Chief Clerk, and a Resident Clerk, and that Thomas H. Garvin, of Sharon Hill, Delaware County, be elected Chief Clerk and W. S. Leib, of Pottsville, Schuylkill County, be elected Resident Clerk of the House of Representatives as provided for by law.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following as a substitute resolution and move its adoption.

The substitute resolution was read as follows:

For Chief Clerk, Fred W. Flohm, of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, and for Resident Clerk, A. F. Fix, of York, York County, Pa.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the substitute resolution?

It was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the original resolution?

It was agreed to.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO THE CHIEF CLERK AND RESIDENT CLERK.

The Chief Clerk and the Resident Clerk presented themselves before the bar of the House and the oath of office, as required by law, was administered to them by the Speaker.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT RESIDENT CLERK.

The Resident Clerk announced the appointment of I. Dale Meals as Assistant Resident Clerk.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO ASSISTANT RESIDENT CLERK.

The Assistant Resident Clerk presented himself at the bar of the House and the oath of office, as required by law, was administered to him by the Speaker.

NOTIFICATION OF SENATE'S ORGANIZATION.

Messrs. Shantz, W. W. Smith and Hackett, a Committee from the Senate, being introduced, informed the House of Representatives that the Senate was duly organized and ready to proceed with business, and were extended the thanks of the House.

ADOPTION OF RULES OF HOUSE.

Mr. Rinninger offered a resolution, which was read as follows:

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered the rules of the House of Representatives of the session of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be adopted for the government of the House during the present session.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. CANON. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following amendment to the resolution and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

"Resolved, That the rules of the last House with the following substitutions and amendments be adopted as the rules of this House:

That the sentence in Rule 5 of the last House, which reads as follows: "The Speaker shall appoint the members of Standing, Select and Conference Committees unless otherwise ordered by the House," be stricken out and that there be substituted therefor the following:

"The House shall elect the members of all Standing and Select Committees. The representation of each party on each committee shall be in the proportion which its membership bears to the total membership of the House. The said representation shall be selected by each party in such manner as it shall by its rules determine; said selection to be approved by the House. Each committee shall organize by electing its own officers. The Speaker shall immediately after his election announce the proportion of representation to which each party is entitled on each of said committees. The Conference Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker.

That Rule 63 of the last House which reads as follows: "A committee of five shall be appointed by the Chair, which together with the Speaker ex-officio, shall constitute a committee on rules, and shall report to the House from time to time, rules for the government thereof, and amendments to such rules; said committee shall be privileged to report at any time, and said report shall be adopted by a majority vote." be stricken out and the following substituted therefor:

"63. A committee of five shall be elected by the House in the manner herein before provided for the selection of Standing Committees. The Committee shall report to the House from time to time rules for the government thereof and amendments to such rules and said committee shall be privileged to report at any time, and said report shall be adopted by a majority vote.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, I wish to say that every deliberate body should control its own deliberations. We as a minority party feel that we should be entitled to select our own representation on the committees. This is in line with the rules that have been adopted by the National House of Representatives at Washington some years ago. There was a great deal of objection all over the United States against what were known as the old Cannon Rules, and this substitute is in line with what has been adopted by the National Congress. We believe that as a minority party we should be entitled to select our own members on the various committees. We think that every element of a deliberate body should be entitled to control its own membership. I ask therefore to have them adopted. We believe that it is only a matter of fair play, and that it is something that is due to us. We believe we are justly entitled to it and we ask the fair consideration of the House on its adoption.

Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. Speaker, I move that these amendments be laid on the table.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

It was adopted.

PROVIDING FOR REPRESENTATION OF NATIONAL GUARD IN PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL PARADE.

Mr. FLYNN asked and received unanimous consent to offer a resolution, which was read as follows:

Whereas, The Committee in charge of the Inaugural parade following the inauguration of the President of the United States in Washington, D. C., on March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, have expressed a desire to have present a proper and fitting representation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, to participate in said parade, Therefore,

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the Governor of the Commonwealth be authorized to provide for participation in the Inaugural parade at Washington, D. C., by the Commander-in-Chief and staff and not exceeding one Brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, and further;

Resolved, That the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania is authorized to pay from an appropriation to be made for the purpose. All expenses incident thereto, which shall include transportation, quarters, subsistence of troops at rate of one dollar per day for each officer and enlisted man for not exceeding two days, and such other incidental expenses as may be necessary; and for all such expenditures the Adjutant General be required to file specifically itemized vouchers.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. FLYNN Mr. Speaker, this resolution is in line with the action of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania of four years ago to provide for the participation of the State of Pennsylvania, and her troops in the inauguration of the President of the United States, and inasmuch as a similar resolution was adopted at that time I offer it now early in the session, so that the proper state officials will have time to make such arrangements as they may desire to participate in the inauguration.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

It was adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES.

Mr. SARIG offered the following resolution, which was twice read and laid over under the rules.

Whereas, Boies E. Penrose, Senior United States Senator of Pennsylvania, has publicly charged that certain attempts to influence members of the Legislature by promises of appointment of persons to office and by threats of dismissal of others from public office was intimidation, coercion and bribery warranting action by a Grand Inquest, and,

Whereas, The said Penrose has further been quoted by the press of the State as having said, "In my opinion the people of the State will be astonished when the extravagance, absenteeism, misappropriation of funds, political coercion and intimidation and other scandalous conditions are exposed" and

Whereas, The said Penrose has given out a statement which has been published throughout the State, as follows: "Mr. Brown has always been paid handsomely in a professional way for his services by contractors and corporations. He has received many thousands of dollars from the State of Pennsylvania through the channels of the Auditor General's office in the way of special employments, in a way that has threatened scandal and has been frequently resented by those who protested against his extravagant demands. These fees are not easily ascertained from an examination of the reports of the Auditor General, because they are covered up under the designation of attorney fees, but at an early opportunity, doubtless, the vouchers will be required and will show that several thousands of dollars have been paid Mr. Brown and his associates, often for nominal work. In the case of the Revenue Commission, to which reference has been made, his charge for professional services was some $50,000 more or less, which the Commission grudgingly was induced to pay him.

Mr. Brown has never participated in the councils of the Republican Party except as an attorney for some one, and his appearance before a Republican audience in a campaign would be greeted with derision all of which refers to one Francis Shunk Brown, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

Whereas, The said Penrose has in like manner publicly charged that the Public Service Commission has been and is using its powers and the functions and prerogatives and powers of its members for the purposes of political intimidation and corruption and has given out a statement which has been published throughout the State as follows: "The business interests all over the State of Pennsylvania are disturbed and irritated over the way the public service commission is being conducted. The law provides that no member of the commission shall be a candidate for office, and it was clearly the intention of the law that the commission keep out of politics. It is a judicial body almost as important in scope and power as any judicial body in the State.

"Notwithstanding the purpose of the law and the evident propriety that should be observed, many of the commission are giving more time to politics than to their official duties. The investigation will disclose that many disreputable persons are being carried on the roll of the commission and practically do no work at all. On account of the absenteeism of some of the commission, and for other reasons, consideration of applications before the commission is postponed to a scandalous degree.

"The business interests cannot even get a hearing in many cases, and important business enterprises are held up and delayed in consequence. Within my own knowledge applications have been held up as a means of political intimidation and coercion.

"It is a significant fact, capable of a number of interesting conclusions and surmisals, that more than 90 per cent. of all cases which have come before the commission have been represented by one, or at most by two, attorneys under the present administration. These attorneys were the subservient tools of the State administration and in close proximity to the office of the Attorney General. The suggestive activities of the firm of Simpson, Brown and Williams, who have developed a remarkable facility in appearing on all sides in litigation, will make interesting reading when the facts are fully disclosed, and compiled, as will soon occur.

"The situation has been so repugnant and flagrant that when disclosed in all its details it will appall the public and the legislature will, undoubtedly, demand a change in the constitution of the public service commission" and,

Whereas, Francis Shunk Brown, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has publicly charged that bribery was resorted to in the recent speakership contest and has given out the following statement: "Cox is the candidate of the forces led by Governor Brumbaugh, which seek to lead Pennsylvania and her citizens to greater and better things. Baldwin is the candidate of the forces led by Jos. R. Grundy of which State Senator Wm. C. Sproul, T. Larry Eyre and Senator Penrose are the servitors and which seek to deliver the state back into the control of special privilege.

"The Grundy forces, working through Penrose and the other Grundy political servitors, are employing in this contest their usual methods of defamation and slander. Let me remind the men who have lived all their lives in political and other glass houses that now is no time to throw stones. The people of our state have been used for years by these men and their kind, all of them under the whip of a few money interests. For the honor of the State, such a condition should not be paraded, but for myself I do not intend to let pass unresented the scurrilous attacks upon the Administration by men who have not the civic spirit to create, but who are ever ready and willing for sake of political and financial advantage to destroy.

"If Senator Penrose wishes to investigate and enlighten our people I will help him, and the record of him and his allies, from my knowledge will raise such a stench that the people will have little nose for aught else. I have long kept silent upon the past of some of these men, who though guilty of all the crimes in the political calendar, are now quick to attack; but if the time should now be ripe, I can tell a real story.

"Let me say to the people of Pennsylvania that all of these insinuations about the Administration bribing members of the Legislature to vote for Mr. Cox are vicious falsehoods and known to be so by those who utter them, but I do know that there is no limit to the desperation of the methods employed by those who seek the defeat of Mr. Cox and who know that their fight is a losing one.

"No later than last Sunday one of these men who is now so loudly proclaiming against bribery by the Administration and who threatens an investigation was overheard

telephoning from the Union League to 'get' a certain member of the House for Baldwin, 'no matter what the cost.'

"Let me emphasize the fact that Penrose, Sproul, Eyre and their like are but tools in this contest. The real leader of the elements that seek to place Baldwin in the Speaker's chair is Jos. R. Grundy, Chief Lobbyist against humanitarian legislation. Baldwin's election means control of the Legislature by Grundy and a certain attack upon the humane and social legislation passed two years ago. Penrose is for Baldwin because he has to be. Baldwin is the Grundy hand-picked candidate and Penrose must go where Grundy directs.

"It was common rumor about the Capitol during the last session of the Legislature that Grundy and his associates had raised a large sum of money to aid in the election of Penrose to the United States Senate and that the reward was to be the defeat of the Brumbaugh program of progressive legislation. Governor Brumbaugh was too strong for the Grundy forces and the legislation was enacted. Penrose was unable to make good to Grundy then Baldwin's election would furnish a vehicle by which he would try to make good at the coming session. "Everybody understands why T. Larry Eyre, Chester County leader is supporting the Baldwin candidacy. His railroad contracting relations have put him in the Baldwin camp. I have been informed that Mr. Eyre has guaranteed to deliver three votes for Baldwin from Chester County—Captain Samuel A. Whitaker, Maris M. Hollingsworth and Harry C. Graham, for myself I do not believe that he can do this any more than do the voters of Chester County so believe.

"Senator Sproul charges the administration with having caused financial chaos. This statement is not only pure wanton falsehood, but I am astounded that Senator Sproul, in view of his legislative record, had the hardihood to utter it. Senator Sproul was a member of two legislative commissions to define ways and means for increasing the revenue of the State. A report was made to the Legislature and Senator Sproul signed that report recommending that certain legislation be enacted. These bills were referred to the Senate Committee on Finance of which Sproul was chairman. In spite of this report, Sproul deliberately smothered these bills in his committee, even though one of them was intended to raise revenue for the building of good roads, of which Sproul had long been avowed champion in the open, and the work would have been done under an act which bore his name, "and

Whereas, The said Brown has made further and additional charges involving one William C. Sproul, for many years a member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, and Chairman of its Finance Committee, as follows: "I think my statement of Monday fairly well informed the public of the issue in this speakership contest, but as the only answers he makes to my charges of the baleful forces supporting Baldwin is to credit me as a lawyer with having received large fees from the State, I might add, as matter of further enlightenment, that these fees were charged for services covering four years of service for two legislative commissions for the revision of the revenue and corporation laws of this Commonwealth.

"Senator Sproul was a member of both commissions. It held sessions throughout the State and obtained the opinions and sentiment of our people respecting the State revenues and the proper subjects of taxation. I repaired two reports, both of which Senator Sproul approved, and which were printed and signed and distributed with much expense throughout the State, the recommended subjects for taxation, etc., etc., and I prepared proposed acts of Assembly to carry their recommendations into effect. I labored with two Legislatures to have them passed.

"Senator Sproul was Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee during all this time, and could, if he would, have aided some of these beneficial measures to adoption, but he refused, notwithstanding my repeated and urgent requests so to do. The reason was that he was financially interested in the subjects which in the reports he had recommended to be passed, and personal interests tied his hands and silenced his voice.

"During the last session he was a member of the steering committee of the Senate and House to confer from time to time with the Governor in aid of good legislation. He was the consistent opponent of all measures providing for additional revenue, even though part of it was to build roads which he had bound the State to construct and for which there was not only a public demand, but a public clamor" and,

Whereas, The said William C. Sproul has made grave and serious charges against the said Brown, which are, "Well, I have been expecting that the matter intrignant would find himself forced into the fray to support a weak kneed cause. There are one or two things he has mentioned which really deserve mention. The first is regarding Mr. Baldwin's attitude toward so-called humanitarian legislation. I will answer for that, for I know his views. Mr. Baldwin and his friends will resist any attempt to weaken these measures, and no thought of anything in that direction has ever entered the mind of any of those active in Mr. Baldwin's behalf. Mr. Baldwin, moreover, will resist any further attempts to divert the administration of these measures for partisan gain or personal profit.

"As for the Revenue Commission of which the arch-intrignant speaks, the principal record left by that commission will be found in the enormous expense bills paid to its counsel, no less an individual than the Hon. Francis Shunk himself. I think that an examination of the account as filed by him, will show that fully seventy-five per cent. of all the money appropriated by the Legislature to that Commission reached Francis Shunk in fees, which members of the commission thought were mighty steep but which the estute counsel asserted he had earned" and,

Whereas, William C. Vare, for many years a member of the State Senate of Pennsylvania, and prominent in the political life of the State in general and the City of Philadelphia in particular, has in like manner made certain serious and grave charges in part as follows: "In so far as the humanitarian legislation is concerned, namely the child labor law, workmen's compensation and other measures designed for the benefit of our working boys and girls, as well as adults, I repeat Mr. Grundy and a few other manufacturers, backed by Penrose, not only opposed it to the limit at the last session of the Legislature, but at every session in my time, and I went there in 1896.

"If Mr. Penrose wants an investigation, let him investigate what was common rumor around the State Senate two years ago—that the Penrose organization had received large sums of money from Grundy and his associates, with the distinct understanding that there would be no legislation in favor of the working classes, including women and children. Many of the Penrose Senators gave me that reason for their inability to support the child labor bill when I was canvassing for their votes.

"It is a late day for Mr. Penrose to complain about Attorney General Brown when it is well known that he was the close adviser of Penrose, Durham and McNichol for twenty-five years, and Mr. Brown withdrew of his own volition because of the underhand methods of Penrose," and

Whereas, These gentlemen have been closely and intimately connected with the affairs, matters and things of which they have assumed to speak, and doubtless base their assertions on matters within their personal knowledge and speaking truthfully and accurately, and

Whereas, The condition shown to exist by their disclosures is disgraceful to the Commonwealth, discreditable to her citizens, and demoralizing, corrupt, debauched and depraved, and,

Whereas, The disgrace, discredit and infamy of this condition can only be remedied, removed and obliterated by wiping out and destroying the conditions thus existing, and,

Whereas, it is necessary, to accomplish this end, that there shall be a full complete, comprehensive, free and impartial investigation of the said charges and conditions,

Therefore, Be it Resolved,

1st.—That a committee consisting of six members of this House be appointed to investigate all and singular the said charges and the implications and intendment thereof, and all matters, facts, circumstances and things directly or indirectly connected therewith,

2nd.—That all hearings conducted by the said committee shall be open to the public and that the said committee subpoena or otherwise cause to appear before it and to testify of and concerning the matters and things involved directly or indirectly in the said charges: The Hon. Boies Penrose, the Hon. Francis Shunk Brown, the Hon. Edwin S. Vare, The Hon. William C. Sproul, The Hon. Chas. A. Snyder and any and all other persons who may have or appear to have knowledge concerning the premises or to be able to furnish any information concerning them or any of them.

3rd.—That the said committee shall consist of six members of this House, shall be elected by the vote of this House, and shall consist of two members who supported Mr. Cox for Speaker, two members who supported Mr. Baldwin for Speaker and two Democratic members.

HOURS OF MEETING.

Mr. McCAIG offered the following resolution, which was twice read and agreed to:

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered the sessions of the House shall commence at ten o'clock ante meridian.

THANKING JUDGE McCARRELL FOR ADMINISTERING OATHS.

Mr. BECHTOLD offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the members of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania hereby extend their thanks to the Honorable S. J. M. McCarrell, a Judge of the Court of Dauphin County, for his services in administering the oath of office to its members.

SENATE MESSAGE.

JOINT SESSION TO COMPUTE VOTE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, January 2, 1917.

Resolved, (If the House of Representatives concur), That the Senate and House of Representatives will meet in joint convention Tuesday, January 23rd at twelve o'clock M., for the purpose of witnessing opening, computing and counting the vote for Auditor General and State Treasurer and that Mr. James W. Endsley, of Somerset County, be appointed teller on the part of the Senate.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

Said resolution was twice read, considered and agreed to.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLER.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will appoint as the teller on the part of the House Mr. Edgar R. Smith, of Bedford County.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY SENATE.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, your committee appointed to inform the Senate that the House is organized and ready to proceed with business beg to report that they have performed that duty.

The SPEAKER. The committee is discharged with the thanks of the House.

SENATE MESSAGE.

POSTAGE ON LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, January 2, 1917.

Whereas, The Postoffice Department as decided that the Legislative Journal must be third class matter and has so instructed the Postmaster at Harrisburg.

Therefore, Be it Resolved (If the House of Representatives concur), That the Chief Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives be directed to make arrangements for the necessary postage so that the Legislative Journal may be mailed according to the requirements of the Postoffice Department, and that the same be provided for in the Appropriation Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The said resolution was twice read, considered and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, January 2, 1917.

Resolved, (If the House concur), That when the Legislature adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, January 22nd, 1917 at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

Said resolution was twice read, considered and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A communication from His Excellency the Governor was presented and read as follows:

Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, Pa., January 2, 1917.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have appointed W. H. Ball, of Philadelphia, to be Private Secretary to the Governor, to succeed the late James S. Hyatt.

Very respectfully yours,
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO WAIT UPON THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, your committee to wait upon the Governor in conjunction with the committee from the Senate beg leave to report that they have performed that duty.

The SPEAKER The committee is discharged with the thanks of the House.

RECESS.

The SPEAKER. If there are no objections the House will take a recess until 2.30 P. M.

AFTER RECESS.

The House reconvened at 2.30 P. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

GOVERNOR'S BIENNIAL MESSAGE.

The Private Secretary of the Governor of the Commonwealth being introduced presented the biennial message of His Excellency the Governor to the General Assembly.

Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, Pa., January 2, 1917.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with law I have the honor to make report to you of the administration of the business of this Commonwealth and to suggest such matters for your consideration as experience and a study of the needs of our Commonwealth seem to require.

Very respectfully yours,
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

The message was read as follows:

MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR OF PENNSYLVANIA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, JANUARY 2, 1917.

ESTIMATE OF FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1917.

Office of the State Treasurer,
Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 28, 1916.

Cash balance in Treasury Nov. 30, 1916, ...		$5,790,687 95
Less amounts set aside by law for specific purposes and not available for general appropriation, as follows:		
Sinking Fund, ...	$651,110 02	
School Fund, ...	12,066 79	
Game Protection and Propagation Fund, ...	397,361 61	
Bounty Fund, ...	152,304 57	
Insurance Fund, ...	80,796 01	
Manufacturing Fund (Prison Labor), ...	37,139 65	
		1,330,778 65
Amount in General Fund November 30, 1916, ...		$4,459,909 30
Gross receipts for the two years ending November 30, 1918, est., ...		$76,906,032 90
Less receipts set aside by law for specific purposes or merely passing through the Treasury and not available for General Appropriation, as follows: (All estimated):		
School Fund, ...	$120,000 00	
Motor Fund (From June 1, 1917 to Nov. 30, 1918, see note), ..	3,640,800 00	
Game Protection and Propagation Fund, ...	266,656 58	
Bounty Fund, ...	269,117 10	
Insurance Fund, ...	520,000 00	
Manufacturing Fund (Prison Labor), ...	70,000 00	
Payments from Federal Government for use of State College and Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, ...	146,001 64	
Payments made by counties, boroughs, and townships on account of State Highway construction and credited to appropriation for that purpose, ...	1,470,279 36	
One-half the tax on premiums of Foreign Fire Insurance Companies by law paid to municipalities without specific appropriation, ...	312,000 00	
		6,814,854 68
		$70,091,178 22
Estimated receipts for the period from Nov. 30th, 1918, to May 31st, 1919, available for General Appropriation, ...		$11,500,000 00

SUMMARY.

Net amount in Treasury Nov. 30th, 1916, and available for General Appropriation, ...	$4,459,909 30	
Estimated net receipts for the two years ending Nov. 30th, 1918, available for General Appropriation, ...	70,091,178 22	
Estimated receipts for the period from December 1st, 1918, to May 31st, 1919, available for General Appropriation, ..	11,500,000 00	86,051,087 52
Less the following deduction for current expenses and obligations to May 31, 1917; Unexpended balances of appropriation heretofore made and payable from the General Fund,	$26,428,255 39	
Payable to municipalities on account of their share of tax on gross premiums of Foreign Fire Insurance Companies, ..	156,850 85	26,585,106 24
Balance available for appropriation by the Legislature of 1917, ...		$59,465,981 28

NOTE.—The motor fund is set aside by law for a particular purpose, but the Legislature of 1915 in making the appropriation to the Highway Department provided that the amount appropriated should include and not be in addition to the receipts of the Motor Fund for the period ending May 31st, 1917. This in effect makes the receipts of that Fund to May 31, 1917, available for General purposes and amounts mentioned in this statement as belonging to the Motor Fund and set aside for a specific purpose include only the estimated receipts of that Fund from June 1st, 1917, to May 31st, 1919.

MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 2, 1917.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In compliance with the law I beg to make report to you of the administration of the business of this Commonwealth and to suggest such matters for your consideration as experience and a study of the needs of our Commonwealth seem to require.

Since last you met, the business of this Commonwealth has been carefully, economically and conscientiously attended to. The several departments have been devoting their best efforts to serve in compliance with law the whole people. The funds you appropriated, less the amounts deducted by the Executive in order to keep the total appropriation within our revenues, have been devoted to the purposes you directed and the heads of the several departments have in general rendered a commendable service to our people. It may be safely stated that the business of the people has received most prompt and cabale attention. We have steadily held to the ideal that government should be an agency of service. We have given much time to the important matter of knowing at first hand the needs of our eight millions of people. These needs are multiform and exceedingly complex. Our people have developed so many and so varied fields of endeavor that the task of meeting in an effective way the needs of our great citizenry is an arduous one. To do this service many departments are by the Assembly set up in the administrative work of the Commonwealth and the task of co-ordinating and interrelating these departments is increasingly difficult.

This increase in the complexity of administrative service has been studied by our Economy and Efficiency Board, together with many groups of influential and thoughtful citizens who have the welfare of our people at heart, and many helpful and suggestive plans have been formulated to aid in making for a larger degree of effective service.

Our greatest asset is our people. That they may be kept in health, properly housed wisely educated, happily employed, morally safeguarded and spiritually free are essentials to every great enterprise that they may in the future undertake. Whatever laws or administrative agencies operate in Pennsylvania must secure the largest measure of social justice and give the loftiest humanitarian guidance and support to our people. The prosperity of our whole population is our holiest concern. We cannot be indifferent to the cry of the helpless infant, to the needs of the remotest child, to the rights of the humblest individual. The encircling concern of the government must embrace with impartial care all our people, and the ultimate aim should be the development of that finest fruit of government—the spirit of good will and of cordial co-operation in which each plans for all and all plan for each.

We guarantee in the most sacred covenant—our Constitution—"peace, safety and happiness," to all within our borders. I shall be happy to co-operate with you at all times in securing for our people such laws and no others as will make real in a definite way this sacred obligation to our people.

To achieve in a commanding way the greatest good for our citizens will require at your hands and mine lofty patriotism, enlightened vision of our possibilities and opportunities, and an unswerving devotion to the welfare of the people of Pennsylvania.

I wish again to record my opinion that we are over-lawed. We cannot cure our social, political and economic ills alone by statutes. We must address ourselves to the vastly more important duty of educating our people into an increasing love for liberty, respect for law, and devotion to our national spirit. The quality of our life is the assured measure of our strength and efficiency. We must never harm some for the advancement of others. We must sit in the councils of the State solely to secure righteous issues and to safeguard our common good against sordid or narrow-minded or selfish or banal influences and agencies whose secret purpose is to use the government for unworthy and unfair ends instead of serving the government for the welfare of the Commonwealth and the uplift and advancement of her citizens. We have outgrown many enactments. We are prone to enact many more that we shall speedily outgrow. The remedy is to repeal much that is no longer helpful and to enact only those that are so clearly humane and equitable and just as to ensure their permanency in the guidance of our people and in the unfolding of a steadily advancing Commonwealth. When laws check or cheat a people's legitimate advance they should be repealed and none like them enacted. I urge you, therefore, as the conservators of the people, to scrutinize all proposed legislation with care and enact only the few vitally necessary measures that will unquestionably promote the welfare of our great people.

From a careful study of our needs and a wide canvass of our people's wishes I am constrained to urge upon you certain matters of moment and to request that they be given the thoughtful consideration which their importance may to you seem proper and necessary.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND THEIR DEVELOPMENT.

Pennsylvania topographically is unique. Her great rivers pay no homage to her mighty mountains. They sweep unchecked and directly to the sea, carving a landscape so rich, so varied, so beautiful that it may be fairly said that ours is the scenic state of the Republic, and our people love it. The Divine Spirit wrought with beauty in his soul and happiness in his heart when he carved from the void this wonderful, this glorious land. Here he stored with bounteous blessings unmeasured good. Our natural resources are rich and varied beyond immagination of man. We must make all this contribute in the loftiest way to the well-being of the people now here and to those who in the endless procession of time shall walk our ways after us. Moreover, the prevailing winds and the proximity of mountain and sea give us annually copious railfall which ought to be husbanded and refined into all possible good. We have taken away the great forests, symbolic of our name. We have allowed this natural reservoir of our rains all too speedily to be replaced with fire-swept wastes that add to the menace of our people and our industries, and that leave arid what might otherwise be fertile reaches of great productiveness. Instead of a steady and dependable flow of water in our streams we have the destructive flood and famished land. The toll of life and property is increasily heavy and we have not applied "safety first" principles to our conservation problem.

I should like to see this Legislature take the initial steps in a great constructive service to our people:

(a) By providing for a topographical and geological survery of our State.

(b) By taking the initiative in impounding flood waters and securing a steady flow thoughout the season for the benefit of our people and of our industries.

(c) By securing at the source of our streams largely increased areas of water-sheds from which to obtain potable water for our increasing millions.

(d) By inquiring into the feasibility of irrigation and the supplying at minimum cost of water power at its source to the great utility and industrial agencies that would welcome this power and that would distribute it for the welfare of our people.

(e) By beginning now the construction of some of these great reservoirs such as the Pymatuning Dam and others in the Allegheny range.

(f) By considering freely and fairly the utilization of our waterways as the basis of great systems of water transportation such as prevail in many of the most advanced industrial communities of the world.

(g) By planting on our forest reserves seedlings that will in time give our people the protection and the revenue a forest will assuredly give.

(h) By organizing upon a scale commensurate with its importance the force that has to do with the prevention of forest fires, the protection of game and fish and the encouragement of our people to live a part of each year out under the sky, near to nature, upon lands made rich in welcome and beneficence to our people.

(i) By computing the decrease in our mineral resources and determining our obligation to posterity in the taxation wisely to be laid now upon this diminishing asset of our people.

(j) By co-operating with the national government and local municipalities to make our navigable streams heavy with the traffic from our mills and mines, our forges and factories, thus linking Pennsylvania industry directly with the world markets.

(k) By encouraging great industries to establish themselves in increasing numbers in Pennsylvania with the assurance that the Commonwealth will by its constructive service make this increasingly the greatest industrial commonwealth in the Union.

(l) By making liberal provision for our farmers and farm life to the end that it will be increasingly attractive and re-

remunerative to till our soil, to grow our food, to make life in rural places as wholesomely attractive and educative as a wise people should.

(m) By increasingly liberal provision for education and equalizing its benefits to all our children.

(n) By safeguarding public health and decreasing the ravages of disease and the loss by premature death in this [illegible].

(o) By demanding that the cost of production shall include reasonable compensation for death or accident and such additional elements of relief as industry can support and as social justice may make manifest from time to time.

(p) And in general, by laying now deep and well the foundation for a realizable good to our people.

We cannot lay all this lightly aside with the unreflective thought that it is visionary and impracticable. It is really possible. It is within our attainment. It cannot, of course, all be done now. But it can be accepted as a goal to which step by step in successive sessions covering many years we can finally arrive. I ask only that the whole subject be thoroughly considered and such beginnings made as will prove an earnest of purpose. It is essential to the welfare and future growth of the Commonwealth. Every wise husbandman, every sane corporation plans for the future and works steadily for the realization of its purposes. Why should not the Commonwealth? We are its responsible agents to-day. Others will follows us. What we do will in a definite way influence those that succeed us. What we fail to do complicates the duties of our successors and harms the Commonwealth. Let there be an end to sporadic, tentative and unprogressive enactments, and let us turn to the great duty of safeguarding and advancing the welfare of our people and the prestige of our beloved State.

LOCAL OPTION.

I have steadily stood for the enactment of a County Local option Law, and hope you share with me the importance of giving to the people the right to decide for themselves whether or not they wish to have licenses for the sale of intoxicants granted in their several counties. No delegated body can so well administer the license laws of the State as can the people themselves. In this proposition is the essence of our democracy. Have we not already had ample evidence of the unwisdom of our judiciary having this unwelcome task imposed upon it? What to-day is in many counties the controlling influence in the election of judges? It is this extra-judicial function. This is working increasing harm to these officials upon whom we have rested the final legal determination of the sacred rights of our people.

It should not be a political issue. The sooner our politics are rid of the license question the better for Pennsylvania. Every consideration looking to the good of our people impels me to urge upon you the enactment of a law that will permit the people under proper regulation to settle for themselves this vexed question. It will remain a source of increasing aggravation until it is settled and settled right. In view of the lessons taught by our recent elections throughout the nation, I am more than ever convinced that this Legislature should heed the will of the people and give the legislative relief so widely prayed for.

HUMANE LAWS.

The Commonwealth should at all times seek to enact only such laws as will conserve equal rights and complete justice for all persons in all stations of life. The Commonwealth should guarantee the right of all to maintain themselves, thus securing that virility and independence of character so essential to an advancing democracy. Any enactment that violates this sacred right should be steadily opposed. We should favor a gradual and reasonable reduction of the hours of labor and plan to make the leisure of our people a means of healthful, happy recreation and of educative uplift. If in your wisdom you can evolve a means of lessening poverty you will add to the humanity of the Commonwealth and enlarge the whole field of industry and social justice. The laws promotive of social justice enacted by the Assembly in 1915 have been put into operation to the good of our workers and to the general acceptance of the thoughtful men connected officially with our great industries. Many of our largest industrial and transportation agencies have for years maintained some form of relief in case of accident or death. These have found the new laws a help and have cordially accepted the action of the State in making general and uniform the humane treatment of workers. The Compensation Law for workmen, the Child Labor Law, the restriction of the hours of labor for women, the increased safeguarding of workers from accident, the establishment of free employment agencies, the protection of our food supply, and the continued activity in adjusting the differences arising between employer and employe by arbitration and mediation have all been cordially commended. These enactments should have time to work themselves fully into our industrial life and no drastic or radical changes or additions should be now made. Let labor by co-operation and good will help make it possible for our great industries to grow and develop and thus provide further relief to toilers. Let us be certain to do only that which will attract others to this State and which will ensure to all profitable employment. Manufacturing employs fully forty per cent. of our people. To maintain stable and just relation in industry is of the greatest moment to the

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HOUSING CODE.

We are properly concerned in [illegible] our people. We have organized [illegible] and efficient Department of Health. We [illegible] and do maintain many institutions to care [illegible] ing and impaired people. [illegible] large sums to cure the suffering or to care for [illegible] when it is in our power to prevent much of [illegible] have long entertained the wish to see Pennsylvania [illegible] the lead in enacting a Housing Code that would [illegible] in some degree the type of house in which our people who toil must live and in which children are born and women must work. Surely the duty of the Commonwealth [illegible] guarantee a decent habitation for its people. [illegible] intention to urge any drastic or burdensome code I do [illegible] earnestly urge you to give the people a house [illegible] to live that sanitarily and environmentally will [illegible] health and happiness and not breed disease and [illegible] We are not Americanizing our new-coming [illegible] we allow them to live in what is often [illegible] spots" where they fail to obtain that home [illegible] tial to the making of a true American citizen.

FINANCES.

We have kept the expenses of government well [illegible] the amount provided by the Assembly. This has [illegible] difficult task in view of the greatly increased cost of [illegible] every item of purchase by the Commonwealth. Your Executive was obliged to disallow many items of appropriation which were wholly worthy but which in the aggregate exceed the income of the State. If the predictable revenues based upon present revenue laws it will be incumbent upon you to provide necessary revenues to pay the sums you authorize. It ought not be necessary for the Executive [illegible] responsibility and censure of denying worthy [illegible] of State-aid the full sum the Legislature gives them. [illegible] f the opinion that, with no hardship upon any one [illegible] add substantially to the income of the State and urge you to give the matter of raising revenues the greatest care and attention. It is not my function to find money to maintain the people's business; but it is my duty to insist that you make adequate provision to meet the expenditures you authorize. The Tax Commission in 1911 and in 1913 made reports of importance, and it may be that you will find therein set forth an equitable and practical means of placing our finances upon a basis that will insure the prompt payment of our obligations.

PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Under the School Code Pennsylvania is rapidly realizing her true place in the educational work of the Nation. This great enactment has in the main proven to be an adequate agency in banishing ignorance, in increasing the average intelligence of our people, in laying the foundations for good citizenship. The school has yet more to do. It must not only train our youth to live co-operatively for the good of society, but also to live competitively in our great industries. Vocational education should be added to liberal training. Both are essential. It is a source of satisfaction and a sign of true progress to note the establishment of agricultural and other vocational schools throughout the Commonwealth. We have recently had a new emphasis placed upon our educational system. If we are to be prepared in any adequate way as a nation to maintain peace and command respect we must train all our children speedily and effectively into the real spirit of Americanism. To do this, and do it well in an increasingly complex population, is an arduous but necessary duty. Our appropriations to the schools have not kept pace with the increase and complex quality of our school problem. The burden is falling increasingly heavy upon the local school districts to maintain an adequate school system. I urge you in justice to the whole spirit of our progress to appropriate nine millions of dollars per year for our public schools.

The continuation schools established for the children under sixteen at work in Pennsylvania have done good work and liberal provision should be made to maintain these special schools. They are in effect hand-maidens of industry and speedily fit these young toilers to give a more valuable service to industry and at the same time acquire the fundamental training for good citizenship.

The institutions of higher learning, liberal and professional, receiving financial aid from the State ought in some effective and practical way give to the people larger measurers of service. This most important matter—that of enabling the humblest citizen to have the help of the skilled professor, bringing the great gifts of research to the home of the citizen,—is one that should receive careful and considerate treatment.

The State Board of Education is following the unfolding of our educational system with care and will, as by law directed, submit to you suggestions of moment in advancing the welfare of our teachers, the improvement of our schools, and the progressive development of an educational policy worthy our great people.

HIGHWAYS.

The last Legislature appropriated three millions of dollars per year for maintenance and construction of State highways. It did not give in addition to this sum the fees obtained from the sale of automobile licenses. The license fees, almost equal in amount to the total sum given for highways, were included in and made part of the three million fund. These license fees have gone into the public treasury. They should have gone exclusively and promptly into maintenance of highways. That is the purpose of the license fee. It is what the people expect shall be done with the moneys thus received. I ask you to set aside the income from license fees as a separate fund to be used exclusively for maintenance upon the 10,200 miles of State highways. I also urge you in addition to this to appropriate six millions of dollars per year for new construction. The demand for better higways is State-wide and insistent. The people want good roads. They are willing to pay for them. Fully two years will elapse before a loan—if approved—can be negotiated and funds made available. We cannot wait two years to begin the serious work of building many miles of hard surfaced, dustless roads. The Highway Department is fully organized to enter upon the needed work and awaits only your favorable action upon the matter. The money will be economically and carefully applied to the erection of permanent roads throughout the State. I cannot too earnestly urge this reasonable demand of our people.

Toll roads no longer are a credit to Pennsylvania. We have taken over as speedily as possible those that could be purchased at a fair price and within the sum appropriated therefor I trust you will see your way to make a liberal appropriation for the removal of these antiquated and unsatisfactory burdens upon our people.

The State-aid highways should be developed as rapidly as the several counties will join in this work. There should be ample funds available to carry on co-operative work. It would be no credit to the State if local initiative were to exceed State provision for this work. There are evidences in many counties of a resolute purpose to impose heavy obligations to join with the State in building durable roads and surely the State is able and I hope willing to do its full share in this valuable service.

The township roads remain the large mileage of transportation for our people. They are in many places well maintained. In others they are not well maintained. The money paid by direct tax for roads in the several townships and boroughs is manifestly used for temporary repairs and each year the work must be repeated. Such a policy has no justification. The whole matter of local road supervision and construction requires radical treatment. A county unit plan may be the solution. At all events the vast sum paid to local supervisors and the money given by the State to aid in this work upon local roads ought to yield a larger return in good, serviceable, permanent highways. We ought to take note of the enterprise of our people in promoting good roads and in making contributions for those roads. Such genuinely helpful activity ought to be sufficient warrant to make the largest possible appropriation to the highway development in the State. The patrol system has been tried and found most economic and practical. It needs to be extended rapidly to cover all improved sections of our highways. It is my earnest wish to make our highways so attractive that our many miles of scenic splendor may be reached and enjoyed by our own people and by thousands of tourists who would be attracted here to their delight and to our advantage were we to make accessible the beauty of our State. The definite and practical value of these roads, especially to our farm life, cannot too strongly be set forth.

In many cases a State highway passes through an incorporated borough and it has come to my notice that some of these boroughs are unable to make their part of the trunk line as satisfactory for travel as is the highway outside these boroughs. Some boroughs have asked us to expend State funds to carry the improved highway over the borough street. This we are by law prevented from doing. I suggest that you take under advisement the wisdom of such change in the law as will permit the State funds to be used in whole or in part to make these great trunk line highways through the boroughs as satisfactory and as complete as the other parts of these trunk lines. I believe these boroughs would welcome this assistance and the traveling public in general would be greatly benefited.

AGRICULTURE.

Under the Act of 1915, all the departments of the government having to do with the care and cultivation of the soil and the conservation of our great farm life were placed under one board of seven and a Commissioner whose function is to give effect to all agricultural enactments. On the whole, this has worked well. Time has greatly improved the quality and extent of this service. The Department has steadily in mind a more intensive form of specific service to farmers. We must double the output of the farms of Pennsylvania. Every movement to increase the scientific study of agriculture at our State College and the administrative service by the Department is well worth your favorable attention. The college and the Department are working together for the good of our farm life. Both these agencies, by co-operation and co-ordination of their several functions, each doing the service it can best do, and each of vital importance, will at all times serve our farm life in any way possible.

One feature of this service is now of pressing importance, namely, the method of preparing and forwarding farm products to the best markets. There is too much waste upon our farms. Our industrial and urban centers need all the food our farms can produce and the Department of Agriculture wisely senses the need of a division of markets, whose function will be to give practical and definite information to our farmers in all matters that have to do with the best means of marketing all the products of the farm. It is vital to our people that this be done and I urge you to give this matter your favorable attention.

We should also co-operate fully with the national government in all its efforts to improve the agricultural interests of the country. We have kept in close touch with this national service and will continue to support and supplement it at all times.

OUR CHARITIES.

Pennsylvania does more humane things for its dependents than does any other state. It can do more, and it should. In any program of social justice we must not only heed the need of our active workers but also the necessity of that great army of our people who by reason of age, disease, poverty or other untoward circumstances require at the hands of a generous people humane treatment. We need more State institutions to care for our dependents. We have, by your direction, secured a site for a new institution to care for our insane in southwestern Pennsylvania. We need now a site for a like institution in southeastern Pennsylvania, together with funds for the erection of proper buildings at both places. I am wholly convinced that we should erect no more wards in which to mass these unfortunates and further add to their distress. Medical treatment has not proven in the light of experience half so corrective as has vocational treatment. It is manifest that these new institutions should be developed on the Cottage System. This should also apply to additional provision for the feebleminded and in some cases to the criminal classes. I should also welcome a home for indigent inebriates managed upon modern lines and devoted to the cure of alcoholism, the cause of so large a part of the crimes of society. I cannot too strongly urge you to avoid needless limits upon the scope or quality of service these corrective institutions should give. The more general the provisions the wider freedom of development and the larger good at least expense will follow. Already the limits set by the Assembly upon the institutions at Farview, Laurelton and elsewhere is making maifest the difficulty and increased expense of management.

The funds appropriated two years ago to State-aided charities have, in the light of present economic conditions, proven inadequate. The same is true of our State institutions. The cost of maintenance has increased in large measure and you will be obliged to consider well the revenues of the State and the needs of these charities in making your appropriations. I am still convinced that the supervision of the State should follow absolutely its gifts. If this supervision can be increased, and it should be, I am certain that larger good and lessening expense will ensue.

I should like to see the land of the State attached to the State institutions made productive in the highest degree. Officials from the Department of Agriculture should have consulting rights in this matter. The amount of food grown upon State lands contiguous to these institutions should increase, not decrease. It would even be wise to make each of these tracts a model of careful intensive farming, and public demonstrations should be given that farmers may have at these points practical knowledge of good cultivation. The State ought to lead not follow private enterprise.

MUNICIPAL REGULATION.

The Commonwealth can well afford to grant larger local initiative to muncipalities. There can be no effective control of city administration at arm's length. The people may be entrusted with the duty and necessity of working out in each city a system of government best calculated to promote its welfare. There are problems of local taxation that concern these municipal units in a vital way. It does not appear that the State should limit the will of the people in deciding how these problems should be met.

In some cases it has become manifest that the boundaries of cities are not coterminous with territory having many matters in common. In the matters of water supply, sewage disposal, transportation agencies, lighting facilities, flood control and related interests groups of municipalities have but one common concern. It may well be that the provision for metropolitan districts, each district being a unit for action in specified cases, would greatly promote the welfare of the people.

Suggestions of importance affecting the government of our largest cities have come to my attention and I commend to your consideration the wisdom of granting to these great cities the largest degree of home rule consistent with the common rights of all the people of Pennsylvania. A smaller body of councils, a unicameral legislative agency, the trend to some form of managerial or other business form of government and a wider responsibility upon the individual citizen for the quality of government are all instances of movements of moment. It may be that a competent commission created by you could best analyze this situation and suggest such legislation as will prove most helpful to our great urban centers.

THE MINE CAVE PROBLEM.

In nine populous counties of this Commonwealth the mining of anthracite coal is conducted on a large scale. It is from this region that substantially all of this valuable fuel for the entire country is produced. In the aggregate it is a mighty industry and maintains a very considerable portion of our entire population. When title to these coal measures was acquired it carried with it the ownership of the surface. Later the owners of this coal land sold to others the surface rights and over these coal measures have sprung up great cities and other municipalities. In the removal of this coal the safety of life and of property on the surface is seriously menaced. Litigation has arisen. The courts have decreed that the right to remove the coal is inherent in the title to the coal lands. This, however, does not change the fact that the dwellers in these cities are increasingly in danger of loss of property and even of human life by reason of the settling of the surface as the coal is removed from beneath. It is a question of great importance. Property rights under law are directly at variance with surface safety. All the parties in interest sense the gravity of the situation. The Commonwealth may well take note of it and seek some fair and equitable adjustment of the difficulty having in mind the value of human life and its conservation as well as the rights of the owners of the coal. The State Armory in Scranton has already been seriously damaged. About sixty thousand dollars have been expended to underpin this structure and the work is not yet completed. By compulsory law children of a certain age must attend school. In some cases school houses are pronounced unsafe and several have been closed to avoid disaster. I urge you to give most considerate thought to this matter and if possible find a means of resolving the difficulty in a perfectly just manner.

CIVIL SERVICE.

There is need for an efficient and economic State civil service enactment. Until we have this means of securing dependable and continuous public service we shall not be able to conduct the public business as wisely as its importance requires. Too much of the time of the Executive is taken up with the claims and demands of office seekers. It were better to have this time for constructive service, leaving to some capable agency created by law to secure the best agents for the public service.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT.

Two years ago I asked you to submit the question of an amendment to the Constitution permitting women to vote. You did so. The amendment was defeated. Since then a great national election has been held and women have more largely than ever exercised the franchise. They should be allowed another opportunity to lay their claims freely and fully before the people and I request that your action may be favorable in this matter.

HISTORIC SITES AND MARKERS.

In this Colony and Commonwealth have been enacted many of the most important parts of our national history. Our State is rich in sites made sacred by the deeds of heroic citizens. All these sites should speedily be marked to the end that the coming generation may know at what price our liberties have been won and at what sacrifice our ancestors here carved from savage life and dense forest a great Commonwealth. We shall thus increase the love and loyalty of our people for our great heritage and advance the day when all our people by enlightenment shall find in the story of Pennsylvania a source of sacred pride and gratitude.

CAPITOL PARK AND CAMP CURTIN.

The Commission appointed by my predecessor to acquire additional grounds about the State House have performed a most difficult service in a commendable way. About twenty-seven acres in the heart of the city have been acquired and competent authorities of nation-wide experience have been secured to develop this extension and the present park into a commanding setting for our State House. This work should be pushed with all possible dispatch. The City of Harrisburg is now developing a system of parks the equal of any in the country. It is our hope and desire to make this new State park consonant with the work done by the city and upon a scale worthy our great Commonwealth. Funds for the conduct of this important work should be provided and our capitol set in an environment of beauty, making it the pride of our people and a notable addition to the beautiful and useful park areas of the Capital City.

During the Civil War our Pennsylvania troops were all trained and mustered into the national service at Camp Curtin, a site now within the limits of Harrisburg and rapidly developing into an important residential district. A small area yet remains unimproved and for an unimportant sum this land may now be acquired, set aside as Camp Curtin Park, and made a memorial to the citizen soldiery of Pennsylvania. I earnestly urge your fovarobale consideration of this patriotic service.

CONCLUSION.

No other State has had to consider such complex problems as confront us in this State. Here we have welcomed all the peoples of the world. Since the days of the great Penn this has been the home and haven of all who choose to come. These are now a part of us. Their welfare is the State's welfare. Their education, their employment, their health, their happiness, their economic and social well-being are all subjects of the greatest moment. If ever a government needs to demonstrate its wisdom and humanity that government is ours. In the interests of all these people I have steadily labored. Their rights are sacred. Their destiny is ours. Every consideration makes their cause the cause of our people at large. They and those of us who have long lived for Pennsylvania alike demand clean, capable, and conscientious government. It is ours to provide it. Every enactment of the Assembly should have as its ultimate purpose equal justice to all and wise provision for the welfare and advancement of all. This ideal we shall steadily follow. Taking office from a free people is a sacred obligation. It can be discharged only in the most open, honest way.

Let us take thought of the future of Pennsylvania and plan now to make the present so helpful that it will greatly enlarge the loyalty and love of our people for our great Commonwealth, whose history, whost status, whose destiny are alike so really or prospectively splendid that we ought all devoutly to pray that our Heavenly Father may guide us in every endeavor to make Pennsylvania the cleanest, sweetest, holiest place in all the world.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

ACTS APPROVED AFTER ADJOURNMENT OF LEGISLATURE OF 1915.

Report of His Excellency, the Governor, of the Acts of Assembly passed during the session of 1915, and approved and signed by him within thirty days after the final adjournment of the Legislature on the 20th day of May, A. D. 1915.

(For acts see Appendix.)

REASONS FOR PARDONS AND COMMUTATIONS.

January 2, 1917.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor herewith to prescribe the reasons for pardons granted by the Executive from January 1st, 1915, to January 1st, 1917.

Very respectfully,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

(For reasons see Appendix.)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to state at this time that he would like the members of the House to inform him, either by letter or by calling at his office, of their preferences for committee assignments. It is the desire of the Speaker that the members, in making their requests for assignments, place their choice in the order of their preference, namely, their first choice first.

The Chair also desires to say that no doubt he will have a great many more requests for different assignments than he will be able to comply with, but it is going to be the aim of the Chair to comply with the wishes of the members just as far as possible, and with the hope that you will all be satisfied. You realize that it is important to get this communication to me, in case you do not call at the Speaker's office to-day, just as soon as possible. It is a very difficult proposition, or at least a very onerous one, to work out these committee assignments.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH OF MEMBER-ELECT.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Palmer.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, I regret to announce that on December 28th, 1916, there occurred the death of a newly elected member from Schuylkill County, Mr. B. Jefferson Yost. In passing I would like to remark, that he was an exemplary citizen, and had the greatest respect, not only of the district which he represented, but of the people of our county, and out of respect to his memory, I would ask the House to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT.

The motion was agreed to and (at 3.30 P. M.) the House adjourned to meet Monday, January 22nd, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, January 22, 1917.

The Senate met at 9.00 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our kind Heavenly Father, we have learned by experience, both our own experience and that of those who have preceeded us, that it is good for us to put our trust in Thee. We pray Thee that this distinguished body of men, with the visions of a larger Pennsylvania that come to them from day to day, may be privileged with still larger and more enticing and attractive visions, and may they address themselves with the depth and sincerity of purpose that should characterize such men of dignity to the great tasks that are presented to them in these larger ideals that are presented to them. We ask these favors in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT—A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO SENATOR-ELECT CATLIN.

The PRESIDENT. Inasmuch as the Senator from Luzerne, Mr. Catlin, was not present when the Senate organized on the first day of this session, he will appear before the bar of the Senate to be sworn in as a member of this body; the oath will be administered by the President Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District, Honorable George Kunkel.

The oath of office was then administered to Senator-elect Catlin.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk, during the interim, which were read as follows:

APPROVAL OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF POSTAGE ON LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

January 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved a resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives directing the Chief Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives to make arrangements for the necessary postage for the mailing of the Legislative Journal in accordance with the requirements of the U. S. Post Office Department.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

REPORT AS TO ADVISABILITY OF MANUFACTURING BRICK AT WESTERN PENITENTIARY.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 18, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with the Act of Assembly of 1915, Joint Resolution No. 65, I beg to advise that the Commission appointed by me under said Resolution has made an investigation into the practicability of manufacturing brick on an extensive scale at the Western Penitentiary in Centre County.

I beg also to advise you that I had an independent investigation made by the Warden of the penitentiary, and, this, together with the report of the Commission, I herewith submit with the suggestion that inasmuch as it appears that the quality of the soil owned by the Commonwealth at this particular place does not lend itself to the manufacture of brick on an extensive scale, I would recommend that no further action at this time be considered to give employment to the inmates of this institution in the manner suggested by Joint Resolution No. 65, Session of 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JOHN E. HANIFEN, Chairman. COL. C. A. ROOK, Vice Chairman. JOHN D. DORRIS, Sec. and Treas.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
PRISON LABOR COMMISSION
Real Estate Trust Building.

Philadelphia, December 18, 1916.

Excellency
The Honorable Martin Grove Brumbaugh,
Governor of Pennsylvania,
Harrisburg, Pa.

My Dear Sir: The Commission appointed under Joint Resolution No. 65 to consider the practicability of establishing a brick manufacturing plant at the new penitentiary, respectfully reports that in accordance with the provisions of the Resolution they met and organized on July 24, 1916. The Commission also met subsequently on October 23. None of the members of the Commission had any expert knowledge on the subject of brick manufacturing and no appropriation was provided for the employment of experts to advise the Commission.

At the request of the Chairman of the Commission an investigation of the matter was made by the State Highway Department. The State Highway Commissioner made the following report of that investigation:

November 22, 1916.

Colonel C. A. Rook,
President Board of Inspectors,
Western Penitentiary,
Pittsburgh, N. S., Pa.

My dear Colonel: Accompanied by Mr. W. D. Uhler, our Chief Engineer, we went to the Penitentiary property on November Seventeenth and made a personal inspection of the same, with a view of establishing a brick plant for the manufacture of paving brick for State Highway purposes at this institution. We find no deposits of clay suitable for that purpose. The Penitentiary property is situated in a limestone country, which has a very thin covering of soil and no clay deposits that we could see. We therefore would think that it would be a waste of money even to try to test out the little bit of soil that is there for the purpose of brick making. If you will take the trouble to go on this property yourself you will find that the limestone is sticking out of the ground any place you look, and especially where there is some erosion exposing the same; it is known to be from one to two hundred feet thick through this valley. I do not believe that you could go more than a few feet on this property without striking the limestone.

I am still of the opinion, as expressed in my former letter, that this proposition is not a good one and it would only be a waste of money even to try an experimental plant, but still feel that there is an almost unlimited supply of good limestone, suitable for road building, which could be quarried and crushed to the proper sizes by inmates of the Penitentiary.

I think this is the only proposition there from which you could get any good results and, if you have the labor, it would be wise to have them quarry and prepare what stone they can for highway purposes.

Mr. Uhler has read this report and agrees with me in the same.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) F. B. BLACK,
State Highway Commissioner.

The Commission begs leave to submit that report as its own.

(Signed) JOHN E. HANIFEN,
WARREN C. GRAHAM,
JOHN D. DORRIS,
S. J. MILLER,
C. A. ROOK,
Chairman.

Office of

Superintendent of Construction
John Francies, Superintendent.

NEW WESTERN PENITENTIARY
OF PENNSYLVANIA,
as per Act of Assembly 1911
Bellefonte, Pa., December 27, 1916.

John Francies, Supt. of Const.,
New Western Penitentiary,
Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear Sir: I have inquired from all sources I can think of to get some information concerning a possible brick clay deposit on this property, and the only location in which such a deposit might exist would be near the foot of the Nittany mountain, on the South end of the Zimmerman farm.

Have called the bankers in Bellefonte to see if anybody had ever thought of developments along this line in this vicinity and find that none of them have any knowledge of such. I also called Mr. Harry Zimmerman, former owner of the farm, and he informs me that a long time ago, a group of men, of whom Governor Beaver was a prominent member, investigated and inspected his farm with a view of starting a brick plant, and they passed an opinion at that time that there were a few acres at the South East corner of Mr. Zimmerman's farm having a clay deposit, heavy in iron ore, which resembles somewhat the clay vein existing at Mill Hill, from which the Mill Hill brick are made. Mr. Zimmerman also stated that he had no knowledge of this deposit existing below a depth of about two feet, but that in all events, the group of men who inspected the property, did not consider it worthy of development.

I have no one on the job who knows anything about brick clay, and would suggest that in case you desire to investigate this more thoroughly that some man be brought here having expert knowledge of brick clays and that we open up test pits near the foot of the mountain in order to determine if there is any deposits worthy of development.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) JAS. W. HERRON.
Assist. Supt. of Const.

WESTERN PENITENTIARY
OF PENNSYLVANIA
Pittsburgh, Pa.

JOHN FRANCIES,
Warden.

January 3, 1917.

Hon. Martin G. Brumbaugh,

Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir: In accordance with our talk on December 12, 1916, with reference to the joint resolution providing for and regulating a Commission to consider the practicability of establishing a brick manufacturing plant at the new penitentiary, permit me to say I had Mr. Herron take the matter up, and go over it carefully, and I am enclosing his report.

I regret to say, after having gone into the matter, that the prospects are not good for establishing a brick manufacturing plant on the prison grounds. There is brick clay in the valley, both North and South of the Institution, but not in sufficient quantities to justify going into the manufacture of bricks on an extensive scale.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) JOHN FRANCIES,
Warden.

Enclosure.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 22, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

William W. Anderson, Pittsburgh.
Morris Aronson, Pittsburgh.
Henry J. Baer, Pittsburgh.
W. H. Baumann, Pittsburgh.
Albert E. Claney, Pittsburgh.
Harry H. Dalton, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary Deely, Pittsburgh.
Robert R. Dickson, Pittsburgh.
J. H. Felmoth, Pittsburgh.
Miss Edith F. Garwood, Pittsburgh.
W. W. Gillett, Pittsburgh.
Miss Clare I. Houston, Pittsburgh.
Alex. Jacobi, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary A. Junkin, Pittsburgh.
Geo. H. Lepper, Pittsburgh.
Adam A. Lickenbaugh, Pittsburgh.
J. C. McCormick, Jr., Pittsburgh.
W. M. McMillin, Pittsburgh.
Richard Mierzwa, Pittsburgh.
Andrew T. Park, Pittsburgh.
James A. Penwell, Pittsburgh.
B. H. Pottes, Pittsburgh.
Miss Elizabeth Ramsey, Pittsburgh.
G. L. Rodgers, Pittsburgh.
Saul Schoin, Pittsburgh.
Frank S. Shields, Pittsburgh.
Samuel E. Swartz, Pittsburgh.
Geo. J. Taylor, Pittsburgh.
Miss Alice A. Trill, Pittsburgh.
Marcellus G. Wittmann, Pittsburgh.
J. O. Bower, Bellevue.
James F. Keough, Braddock.
Miss Clara Stamets, Braddock.
George L. Neff, Duquesne.
Arthur B. Pitts, Duquesne.
Ernest Payne, Crafton.
B. B. Hines, East Pittsburgh.
Myles McConnon, Homestead.
L. G. Eggers, Leetsdale.
A. B. Campbell, McKeesport.
Gustav Edward Krieg, O'Hara Township.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

James B. Kifer, Leechburg.

BEAVER COUNTY.

James W. Doncaster, Rochester.
Homer H. Swaney, Beaver Falls.

BERKS COUNTY.

Mrs. Martha S. Hoverter, Reading.
Van R. Lorah, Reading.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Miss Mary L. Goss, Altoona.
J. Foster Meck, Altoona.
Patrick J. Ryder, Juniata.
W. Frank Vaughn, Altoona.

BUCKS COUNTY.

W. Forrest Magee, Southampton Township.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Frank B. Lensner, Saxenburg.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Pearl Daugherty, Johnstown.
F. J. Hartmann, Ebensburg.
W. S. Krise, Johnstown.
Miss Eulalia McGuire, Johnstown.
Philip N. Shettig, Ebensburg.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Frank E. Bader, Phoenixville.
Joseph Leeke, Oxford.
George R. Maxton, Easttown Township.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

W. L. Calkins, Du Bois.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Miss Myrtle D. Achuff, Lock Haven.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

George W. Henrie, Millville.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Harry Gerson, Titusville.
John O. McClintock, Meadville.
Miss Lulu M. Moran, Titusville.
Charles B. Morgan, Titusville.
J. A. Northam, Meadville.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Miss Ida G. Kast, Mechanicsburg.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

M. R. Alleman, Steelton.
Harry M. Bretz, Harrisburg.
Giovanni Di Santo, Harrisburg.
H. H. Freeburn, Harrisburg.
John E. Gipple, Harrisburg.
Harvey E. Knupp, Harrisburg.
Wolfe Rosenberg, Harrisburg.
F. J. Schaffner, Hummelstown.
George W. Shultz, Halifax.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Engelbert C. Spevak, Ridley Township.
Miss Bertha C. Thomson, Chester.
H. Ray Tricker, Media.

ELK COUNTY.

M. J. Fuenffinger, Fox Township.
George C. Smith, Johnsonburg.

ERIE COUNTY.

Miss B. P. Beckers, Erie.
Frank A. Bliley, Erie.
John Hamberger, Erie.
Thomas C. Miller, Erie.
L. H. Pasqualicchio, Erie.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

S. B. Graham, Belle-Vernon.
S. M. Gray, Masontown.
J. D. Spronger, Uniontown.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Robert A. Orbison, Huntingdon.
Miss Ethel S. Smith, Huntingdon.

INDIANA COUNTY.

Frank Fera, Canoe Township.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

L. G. Brosius, Brookville.
Antonio Cesario, Punxsutawney.
Jacob L. Fisher, Punxsutawney.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Miss Irma C. Butler, Scranton.
Miss Mary F. Haggerty, Scranton.
Milton W. Lowry, Scranton.
J. E. Sickler, Scranton.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Allan A. Herr, Lancaster.
Chas. S. Martin, Lancaster.
Miss Mary A. Swarr, Lancaster.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Charles M. Carpenter, New Castle.
Jos. W. Humphrey, Ellwood City.
Chas. A. McCready, New Castle.
Lawrence W. Platt, New Castle.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

George E. Boyle, Allentown.
Anthony De Furia, Allentown.
Joseph L. McGinley, Allentown.
Norman L. C. Troxell, Allentown.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Robert J. Blair, Luzerne.
Luigi Fedullo, Hazleton.
W. I. Hibbs, Pittston.
Robert B. Job, Nanticoke.
Edwin L. Lindemuth, Wilkes-Barre.
John Shigo, Freeland.
William P. Walsh, Wilkes-Barre.
Richard Hughes, Pittston.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Wm. W. Champion, Williamsport.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Paul M. Brooke, Jenkintown.
E. F. Slough, Norristown.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Henry D. Maxwell, Easton.
G. E. Sellers, South Bethlehem.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

E. K. Bright, Northumberland.
Miss C. L. Deppen, Sunbury.
C. F. Shipman, Sunbury.
W. Lloyd Snyder, Shamokin.

PERRY COUNTY.

Mrs. Pearl B. Hipple, Marysville.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Anthony Amodei, Philadelphia.
James R. Anderson, Philadelphia.
C. Frank Ayer, Philadelphia.
Miss Elcie S. Bennett, Philadelphia.
Charles H. Brooks, Philadelphia.
F. M. Brower, Philadelphia.
William Buckley, Philadelphia.
Alphonsus P. Burchell, Philadelphia.
Louis D. Casner, Philadelphia.
Miss Emma D. Chappell, Philadelphia.
Allen B. Clement, Philadelphia.
Robert G. Clifton, Philadelphia.
William Cooper, Philadelphia.
J. Rhea Craig, Jr., Philadelphia.
Frank Craven, Philadelphia.
Wilmer K. Clymer, Philadelphia.
Harry E. Dankelmann, Philadelphia.
George H. Detweiler, Philadelphia.
William H. Dillman, Philadelphia.
Fred W. Dodd, Philadelphia.
John J. Foran, Philadelphia.
Charles S. Francis, Philadelphia.
Alexander Fried, Philadelphia.
Charles G. Gartling, Philadelphia.
H. Walter Geuther, Philadelphia.
Henry G. Hart, Philadelphia.
Miss Ada F. Heap, Philadelphia.
Vde P. Henderson, Philadelphia.
A. Percival Henning, Philadelphia.
Edward R. Hess, Philadelphia.
Geo. H. Hill, Jr., Philadelphia.
Miss Margaret M. Hollweck, Philadelphia.
Herman C. Horn, Philadelphia.
Charles A. Hunsberger, Philadelphia.
Miss Margaret J. Johnston, Philadelphia.
Wm. Kanzelmann, Philadelphia.
J. Raymond Kelly, Philadelphia.
Miss Louise E. Kephart, Philadelphia.
Frederick J. King, Philadelphia.
Evan B. Lewis, Philadelphia.
H. B. Luffberry, Philadelphia.
Charles J. McDermott, Philadelphia.
Richard T. McSorley, Philadelphia.
Martin McWilliams, Philadelphia.
Mrs. Lenette MacBeath, Philadelphia.
Maurice L. Margolin, Philadelphia.
Francis R. Matlack, Philadelphia.
F. S. Maxwell, Philadelphia.
Oscar R. Meyers, Philadelphia.
Miss Nellie G. Moore, Philadelphia.
Joshua R. Morgan, Philadelphia.
Thomas A. Mullen, Philadelphia.
John J. Mullins, Philadelphia.
J. Rugan Neff, Philadelphia.
Edward C. Neher, Philadelphia.
Edgar W. Nicholson, Philadelphia.
John B. Patton, Philadelphia.
Price I. Patton, Philadelphia.
Irvin M. Pfeiffer, Philadelphia.
Julius B. Price, Jr., Philadelphia.
Joseph B. Quigley, Philadelphia.
Thomas Reath, Jr., Philadelphia.
Wm. H. Rueter, Philadelphia.
Alexander F. Russell, Philadelphia.
G. A. Schwab, Philadelphia.
Joseph M. Smith, Philadelphia.
G. Albert Smyth, Philadelphia.
Norman H. Stevens, Philadelphia.
Frank B. Stockley, Philadelphia.
James A. Sweeney, Philadelphia.
Harry S. Switt, Philadelphia.
Nathaniel M. Swope, Philadelphia.
Edgar C. Van Dyke, Philadelphia.
Herman F. Voss, Philadelphia.
Chas. F. Wagner, Philadelphia.
Jos. R. C. Ward, Philadelphia.
Charles H. Weak, Philadelphia.
Rudolph H. Winter, Philadelphia.

POTTER COUNTY.

Art S. Burt, Lewisville.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Harry W. Brown, Saint Clair.
Miss Margaret D. Kenney, Pottsville.
Clinton F. Tiley, Girardsville.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Robert Eldridge Beebe, Montrose.

TIOGA COUNTY.

Frank H. Rockwell, Wellsboro.
Alfred J. Shattuck, Wellsboro.

UNION COUNTY.

James L. Miller, Lewisburg.

VENANGO COUNTY.

James H. Courtney, Oil City.
Donald Glenn, Franklin.

WARREN COUNTY.

Earle MacDonald, Warren.
Harold A. Ross, Conewango Township.
Frank D. Wheelock, Sugar Grove.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Harry H. Davis, Washington.
W. Herbert Jones, East Bethlehem Township.
Mrs. Minnie Kenyon, Donora.
Miss Eleanor B. Mitchell, Washington.
Boyd E. Warne, Washington.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

E. E. Allshouse, Greensburg.
Geo. E. Barron, Greensburg.
W. E. Crawford, Rostraver Township.
Michael Curto, Latrobe.
Calvin H. Dils, Monessen.
Ira H. Gress, Irwin.
Peter Lucarakis, Monessen.
David L. Newill, Greensburg.

WYOMING COUNTY.

John B. Edwards, Laceyville.

YORK COUNTY.

Julius W. Fischer, Hanover.
Jacob E. Weaver, York.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 22, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Harry M. Aronson, Pittsburgh, January 27, 1917.
Miss Margaret E. Taafe, Pittsburgh, January 27, 1917.
D. J. Gwilym, Pittsburgh, January 28, 1917.
H. T. Morris, Pittsburgh, January 28, 1917.
C. N. Reed, Tarentum, January 30, 1917.
William L. Church, Pittsburgh, February 1, 1917.
George Rosser, Carnegie, February 4, 1917.
Miss Margaret Greeley, Pittsburgh, February 9, 1917.
Miss M. E. Rogan, Pittsburgh, February 9, 1917.
Harry M. Willis, Pittsburgh, February 10, 1917.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Howard R. Thomas, Leechburg, January 27, 1917.
G. A. Walker, Kittanning, February 8, 1917.
Frank H. McNutt, Ford City, February 9, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Joseph A. Tritschler, Beaver Falls, January 27, 1917.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

Howard Brumbaugh, South Woodbury Township, January 28, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

W. M. Zechman, Reading, January 30, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

P. M. Swanger, Altoona, January 23, 1917.

CENTRE COUNTY.

John L. Holmes, State College, January 25, 1917.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

D. E. Leckey, Newville, January 29, 1917.
T. Ralph Jacobs, Carlisle, February 3, 1917.
D. T. Ramsey, Newburg, February 6, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Mrs. Iola E. Oyster, Harrisburg, January 23, 1917.
George W. Kline, Millersburg, January 29, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Francis T. Nagorski, Erie, February 5, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Pasquale Bufano, Connellsville, January 24, 1917.
Edmund Martin, Perry Township, January 28, 1917.
J. B. Kurtz, Connellsville, February 9, 1917.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Charles B. Carl, Greencastle, January 25, 1917.

INDIANA COUNTY.

T. C. Watson, Blairsville, January 28, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

S. B. Bulkley, Dunmore, January 25, 1917.
Joseph F. Gilroy, Scranton, January 28, 1917.
R. Louis Grambs, Scranton, January 30, 1917.
Walter L. Schanz, Scranton, January 30, 1917.
John R. Thomas, Scranton, February 3, 1917.
Frank Lambader, Scranton, February 8, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Geo. Ross Eshleman, Lancaster, January 30, 1917.

McKEAN COUNTY.

F. J. Woods, Kane, January 28, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Frank Feudale, Mt. Carmel, January 25, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Chas. W. Rueter, Philadelphia, January 23, 1917.
W. Sherwood Crowl, Philadelphia, January 25, 1917.
James F. Hare, Philadelphia, January 26, 1917.
O. H. Hertkorn, Philadelphia, January 26, 1917.
John T. Pelow, Philadelphia, January 26, 1917.
Frank T. Matthews, Philadelphia, January 27, 1917.
Harry S. Vandiver, Philadelphia, January 2, 1917.
Jos. A. Addis, Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
Miss Julia M. O'Brien, Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
D. N. Ogden, Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
John J. Turner, Philadelphia, January 28, 1917.
Joseph T. Taylor, Philadelphia, January 30, 1917.
Walter F. Off, Philadelphia, February 1, 1917.
Raymond M. Parker, Philadelphia, February 2, 1917.
Bronte Greenwood, Jr., Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
Edward F. Hitchcock, Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
Wm. H. Thornley, Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
C. Marot Townsend, Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
Joseph M. Mitcheson, Philadelphia, February 5, 1917.
Miss Florence G. Rickett, Philadelphia, February 5, 1917
Isaac Sion, Philadelphia, February 5, 1917.
Alexander Park, Philadelphia, February 6, 1917.
Edmund S. Mills, Philadelphia, February 9, 1917.
Edwin M. Waller, Philadelphia, February 9, 1917.
Thomas H. Ingram, Philadelphia, February 10, 1917.
Charles F. Phillips, Philadelphia, February 10, 1917.
T. Roy Phillips, Philadelphia, February 10, 1917.

TIOGA COUNTY.

Thomas A. Fessler, Elkland, February 4, 1917.

VENANGO COUNTY.

Peter A. Wilbert, Oil City, January 28, 1917.
Judson D. Trax, Oil City, January 29, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

J. M. K. Donaldson, Mt. Pleasant Township, February 6, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Chester R. Wilson, Avonmore, January 26, 1917.
Samuel M. Ankney, Greensburg, January 28, 1917.
Adam Schade, Irwin, February 10, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent, a motion was made by Mr. VARE, that Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—48

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee, W. S.,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Magee, C. J.,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten.

NAYS—0

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place, a joint resolution, at this time.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, is this a resolution to be referred to a committee or to be passed on at once?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair cannot answer that until he has the resolution before him.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I desire to state, in presenting this resolution, that I offer it in the full knowledge that, should it become a law, I can not accept a place upon the commission which it creates even though I should be tendered such a post. Other duties here and elsewhere will absolutely prevent my giving this matter the time and attention which it will require. I am asking for the passage of this resolution as a matter of duty to the people of the state, to this Legislature and to the party to which I belong, as well as with a desire to give anyone who has been unjustly accused or criticised an opportunity to set himself right.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 1, entitled:

A joint resolution, providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged maladministration in public offices, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations when appointed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 9.20 o'clock P. M., until Tuesday morning, January 23, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, January 22, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. F. W. Staley, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for an all wise providence that has been over us, as a nation, as a State, as families and as individuals. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives. We thank Thee that Thy providence through this State has conferred upon us honors and obligations, and responsibilities. Help us to so honor the State that we may render efficient service to fulfill our obligations as we understand them, and to weigh our responsibilities as they rest upon us, and in all the services that we shall render unto Thee, and to the State, may we be guided by Thine infinite wisdom. We ask for Christ's sake. Amen.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, January 2nd, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of Tuesday, January 2nd, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Ramsey, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS.

The SPEAKER. The Honorable Quintin O. Reitzel, of Lancaster County, and the Honorable Isaiah D. Musser, of Juniata County, will present themselves at the Bar of the House and have the oath of office administered to them.

Mr. Reitzel and Mr. Musser presented themselves at the Bar of the House and the oath of office prescribed by law was administered to them by Hon. S. J. M. McCarrell, Additional Law Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. Any members who have bills to present can pass them to the Resident Clerk as the Chief Clerk, who is at his home sick tonight, or he can leave them down in the Resident Clerk's Office or in the Chief Clerk's Office after the House adjourns. I presume members all know that the proper method of introducing bills is either to hand them to the Chief Clerk at the desk, or leave them in the Chief Clerk's Office.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. STEEDLE asked and obtanied leave of absence for Mr. Wagner on account of illness.

Mr. HOFFMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Harry L. Rhoads.

Mr. NEARY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Lafferty.

Mr. McCURDY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Musser to go back to the hospital.

The SPEAKER asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. A. David Miller.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, I desire at this time to call up House Resolution No. 1, File Folio No. 1.

The SPEAKER. The Resolution will be read by the Clerk.

The Resolution was read by the Clerk as follows:

Whereas, Boies E. Penrose, Senior United States Senator of Pennsylvania, has publicly charged that certain attempts to influence members of the Legislature by promises of appointment of persons to office and by threats of dismissal of others from public office was intimidation, coercion and bribery warranting action by a Grand Inquest, and,

Whereas, The said Penrose has further been quoted by the press of the State as having said, "In my opinion the people of the State will be astonished when the extravagance, absenteeism, misappropriation of funds, political coercion and intimidation and other scandalous conditions are exposed" and

Whereas, The said Penrose has given out a statement which has been published throughout the State, as follows: "Mr. Brown has always been paid handsomely in a professional way for his services by contractors and corporations. He has received many thousands of dollars from the State of Pennsylvania through the channels of the Auditor General's office in the way of special employments, in a way that has threatened scandal and has been frequently resented by those who protested against his extravagant demands. These fees are not easily ascertained from an examination of the reports of the Auditor General, because they are covered up under the designation of attorney fees, but at an early opportunity, doubtless, the vouchers will be required and will show that several hundred thousands of dollars have been paid Mr. Brown and his associates, often for nominal work. In the case of the Revenue Commission to which reference has been made, his charge for professional service was some fifty thousand ($50,000) dollars, more or less, which the Commission grudgingly was induced to pay him.

"Mr. Brown has never participated in the councils of the Republican Party except as an attorney for some one, and his appearance before a Republican audience in a campaign would be greeted with derision," all of which refers to one Francis Shunk Brown, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

Whereas, The said Penrose has in like manner publicly charged that the Public Service Commission has been and is using its powers and the functions and prerogatives and powers of its members for the purposes of political intimidation and corruption and has given out a statement which has been published throughout the State as follows: "The business interests all over the State of Pennsylvania are disturbed and irritated over the way the public service commission is being conducted. The law provides that no member of the commission shall be a candidate for office, and it was clearly the intention of the law that the commission keep out of politics. It is a judicial body almost as important in scope and power as any judicial body in the State.

"Notwithstanding the purpose of the law and the evident propriety that should be observed, many of the commission are giving more time to politics than to their official duties. The investigation will disclose that many disreputable persons are being carried on the roll of the commission and practically do no work at all. On account of the absenteeism of some of the commission, and for other reasons, consideration of applications before the commission is postponed to a scandalous degree.

"The business interests cannot even get a hearing in many cases, and important business enterprises are held up and delayed in consequence. Within my own knowledge applications have been held up as a means of political intimidation and coercion.

"It is a significant fact, capable of a number of interesting conclusions and surmisals that more than ninety (90) per centum of all cases which have come before the commission have been represented by one, or at most by two, attorneys under the present administration. These attorneys were the subservient tools of the State administration and in close proximity to the office of the Attorney Genera. The suggestive activities of the firm of Simpson, Brown and Williams who have developed a remarkable facility in appearing on all sides in litigation, will make interesting reading when the facts are fully disclosed, and compiled, as will soon occur.

"The situation has been so repugnant and flagrant that when disclosed in all its details will appall the public and the legislature will, undoubtedly, demand a change in the constitution of the public service commission" and,

Whereas, Francis Shunk Brown, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has publicly charged that bribery was resorted to in the recent speakership contest and has given out the following statement: "Cox is the candidate of the forces led by Governor Brumbaugh, which seek to lead Pennsylvania and her citizens to greater and better things. Baldwin is the candidate of the forces led by Jos. R. Grundy of which State Senator Wm. C. Sproul, T. Larry Eyre and Senator Penrose are the servitors and which seek to deliver the state back into the control of special privilege.

"The Grundy forces, working through Penrose and the other Grundy political servitors, are employing in this contest their usual methods of defamation and slander. Let me remind the men who have lived all their lives in political and other glass houses that now is no time to throw stones. The people of our State have been used for years by these men and their kind, all of them under the whip of a few money interests. For the honor of our State, such a condition should not be paraded, but for myself I do not intend to let pass unresented the scurrilous attacks upon the Administration by men who have not the civic spirit to create, but who are ever ready and willing for sake of political and financial advantage to destroy.

"If Senator Penrose wishes to investigate and enlighten our people I will help him, and the record of him and his allies, from my knowledge will raise such a stench that the people will have little nose for aught else. I have long kept silent upon the past of some of these men, who though guilty of all the crimes in the political calendar, are now quick to attack; but if the time should now be ripe, I can tell a real story.

"Let me say to the people of Pennsylvania that all of these insinuations about the Administration bribing members of the Legislature to vote for Mr. Cox are vicious falsehoods and known to be so by those who utter them, but I do know there is no limit to the desperation of the methods employed by those who seek the defeat of Mr. Cox and who know that their fight is a losing one.

"No later than last Sunday one of these men who is now so loudly proclaiming against bribery by the Administration and who threatens an investigation was overheard telephoning from the Union League to 'get' a certain member of the House for Baldwin, 'no matter what it cost.'

"Let me emphasize the fact that Penrose, Sproul, Eyre and their like are but tools in this contest. The real leader of the elements that seek to place Baldwin in the Speaker's chair is Jos. R. Grundy, Chief Lobbyist against humanitarian legislation. Baldwin's election means control of the Legislature by Grundy and a certain attack upon the humane and social legislation passed two years ago. Penrose is for Baldwin because he has to be. Baldwin is the Grundy hand-picked candidate and Penrose must go where Grundy directs.

"It was common rumor about the Capitol during the last session of the Legislature that Grundy and his associates had raised a large sum of money to aid in the election of Penrose to the United States Senate and that the reward was to be the defeat of the Brumbaugh program of progressive legislation. Governor Brumbaugh was too strong for the Grundy forces and the legislation was enacted. Penrose was unable to make good to Grundy then Baldwin's election would furnish a vehicle by which he would try to make good at the coming session. "Everybody understands why T. Larry Eyre, Chester County leader is supporting the Baldwin candidacy. His railroad contracting relations have put him in the Baldwin camp. I have been informed that Mr. Eyre has guaranteed to deliver three votes for Baldwin from Chester County Captain Samuel A. Whitaker, Maris M. Hollingsworth and Harry C. Graham, for myself I do not believe that he can do this any more than do the voters of Chester County so believe.

"Senator Sproul charges the administration with having caused financial chaos. This statement is not only pure wanton falsehood, but I am astounded that Senator Sproul, in view of his legislative record, had the hardihood to utter it. Senator Sproul was a member of two legislative commissions to define ways and means for increasing the revenues of the State. A report was made to the Legislature and Senator Sproul signed that report recommending that certain legislation be enacted. These bills were referred to the Senate Committee on Finance of which Sproul was chairman. In spite of this report, Sproul deliberately smothered these bills in his committee, even though one of them was intended to raise revenue for the building of good roads, of which Sproul had long been avowed champion in the open, and the work would have been done under an act which bore his name, "and

Whereas, The said Brown has made further and additional charges involving one William C. Sproul, for many years a member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, and Chairman of its Finance Committee, as follows: "I think my statement of Monday fairly well informed the public of the issue in this speakership contest, but as the only answers he makes to my charges of the baleful forces supporting Baldwin is to credit me as a lawyer with having received large fees from the State, I might add, as matter of further enlightenment, that these fees were charged for services covering four years of service for two legislative commissions for the revision of the revenue and corporation laws of this Commonwealth.

"Senator Sproul was a member of both commissions. It held sessions throughout the State and obtained the opinions and sentiment of our people respecting the State revenues and the proper subjects of taxation. I prepared two reports, both of which Senator Sproul approved, and which were printed and signed and distributed with much expense throughout the State, the recommended subjects for taxation, etc., etc., and I prepared proposed acts of Assembly to carry their recommendations into effect. I labored with two Legislatures to have them passed.

"Senator Sproul was Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee during all this time, and could, if he would, have aided some of these beneficial measures to adoption, but he refused, notwithstanding my repeated and urgent requests so to do. The reason was that he was financially interested in the subjects which in the reports he had recommended to be passed, and personal interests tied his hands and silenced his voice.

"During the last session he was a member of the steering committee of the Senate and House to confer from time to time with the Governor in aid of good legislation. He was the consistent opponent of all measures providing for additional revenue, even though part of it was to build roads which he had bound the State to construct and for which there was not only a public demand, but a public clamor" and,

Whereas, The said William C. Sproul has made grave and serious charges against the said Brown, which are, "Well, I have been expecting that the master intriguant would find himself forced into the fray to support a weak kneed cause. There are one or two things he has mentioned which really deserve mention. The first is regarding Mr. Baldwin's attitude toward so-called humanitarian legislation. I will answer for that, for I know his views. Mr. Baldwin and his friends will resist any attempt to weaken these measures, and no thought of anything in that direction has ever entered the mind of any of those active in Mr. Baldwin's behalf. Mr. Baldwin, moreover, will resist any further attempts to divert the administration of these measures for partisan gain or personal profit.

"As for the Revenue Commission of which the arch-intriguant speaks, the principal record left by that commission will be found in the enormous expense bills paid to its counsel, no less an individual than the Hon. Francis Shunk himself. I think that an examination of the account as filed by him, will show that fully seventy-five per cent. of all the money appropriated by the Legislature to that Commission reached Francis Shunk in fees, which members of the commission thought were mighty steep but which the astute counsel asserted he had earned" and,

Whereas, William C. Vare, for many years a member of the State Senate of Pennsylvania, and prominent in the political life of the State in general and the City of Philadelphia in particular, has in like manner made certain serious and grave charges in part as follows: "In so far as the humanitarian legislation is concerned, namely the child labor law, workmen's compensation and other measures designed for the benefit of our working boys and girls, as well as adults, I repeat Mr. Grundy and a few other manufacturers, backed by Penrose, not only opposed it to the limit at the last session of the Legislature, but at every session in my time, and I went there in 1896.

"If Mr. Penrose wants an investigation, let him investigate what was common rumor around the State Senate two years ago—that the Penrose organization had received large sums of money from Grundy and his associates, with the distinct understanding that there would be no legislation in favor of the working classes, including women and children. Many of the Penrose Senators gave me that reason for their inability to support the child labor bill when I was canvassing for their votes.

"It is a late day for Mr. Penrose to complain about Attorney General Brown when it is well known that he was the close adviser of Penrose, Durham and McNichol for twenty-five years, and Mr. Brown withdrew of his own volition because of the underhand methods of Penrose," and

Whereas, These gentlemen have been closely and intimately connected with the affairs, matters and things of which they have assumed to speak, and doubtless base their assertions on matters within their personal knowledge and speaking truthfully and accurately, and

Whereas, The condition shown to exist by their disclosures is disgraceful to the Commonwealth, discreditable to her citizens, and demoralizing, corrupt, debauched and depraved, and

Whereas, The disgrace, discredit and infamy of this condition can only be remedied, removed and obliterated by wiping out and destroying the conditions thus existing, and,

Whereas, It is necessary, to accomplish this end, that there shall be a full complete, comprehensive, free and impartial investigation of the said charges and conditions,

Therefore, Be it Resolved.

1st.—That a committee consisting of six members of this House be appointed to investigate all and singular the said charges and the implications and intendment thereof, and all matters, facts, circumstances and things directly or indirectly connected therewith.

2nd.—That all hearings conducted by the said committee shall be open to the public and that the said committee subpoena or otherwise cause to appear before it and to testify of and concerning the matters and things involved directly or indirectly in the said charges: The Hon. Boies Penrose, the Hon. Francis Shunk Brown, the Hon. Edwin S. Vare, the Hon. William C. Sproul, the Hon. Chas. A. Snyder and any and all other persons who may have or appear to have knowledge concerning the premises or to be able to furnish any information concerning them or any of them.

3rd.—That the said committee shall consist of six members of this House, shall be elected by the vote of this House, and shall consist of two members who supported Mr. Cox for Speaker, two members who supported Mr. Baldwin for Speaker, and two Democratic members.

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Berks, Mr. Sarig.

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, this resolution embodies the leading charges that have been made by the leaders of both factions of the majority party during the last three or four weeks, previous to the organization of this House.

In view of the seriousness of these charges, the minority party feels that it has a great responsibility and a serious duty that devolves upon it to see that proper light is given to these charges. There are three parties involved in these charges. One faction consists of Senator Penrose and his friends; the other consists of the Administration and its friends and the other party, the people of the State of Pennsylvania. Now, inasmuch as both factions of the majority party are involved in this controversy, we feel that it devolves upon us, as the minority, the thirty-seven Democratic members and also the one Socialist member, to bring before this House this question so that proper light may be turned upon it and that the people of Pennsylvania may know the truth and the whole truth. For my own part I wish to make no charges against either faction. In fact, I am free to say that the members of the minority party believe both of them. We believe both have spoken the truth and we are not here to challenge the veracity of either faction in this matter. Now, so far as the method of investigation is concerned, we believe that the method put forth in this resolution is sufficient and we believe that it is fair to both factions. We believe that no fair and impartial investigation can be conducted by either faction involved in this controversy, because both parties will be interested parties, and there can be no fair and impartial investigation conducted by one side or the other. Now, I ask that the gentlemen of this House give this resolution fair consideration so that the people of Pennsylvania may know the truth and may know the whole truth. It is true, perhaps, that if the truth that might be brought out by a one-sided investigation would be better than no truth at all, but still we believe it our duty and we believe it to be the duty of the members of this House to support this resolution so that the people back home all over the State of Pennsylvania may know what is going on. The fair name and the honor of Pennsylvania is involved in this matter. There are, naturally, two propositions that confront us, as we consider it. In the first place, if these charges are true, then the people of Pennsylvania ought to know the facts. They ought to know what is the truth and what is the whole truth and the men who have been guilty, if any such there be, should be brought to justice. If, on the other hand, these charges are false, are not true, then somebody has slandered the fair name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and those slanderers should be brought to justice. In either case, be they true or be they false, it is to the honor of the great name of Pennsylvania that the facts should be brought out and that light be turned upon these charges so that the people of this Commonwealth may know the real facts. The people are entitled to know what their servants are doing here on Capitol Hill and what they are doing all over this Commonwealth.

I believe, therefore, that this investigation herein provided is a fair one; that it is impartial and that we take sides with neither faction. As I have said, we believe both of them; we believe both have spoken the truth and we are willing to put this question before this House and before the people of the Commonwealth so that the truth shall come out. On the seal of this House you will find the inscription: "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Let us bear out that inscription; let us turn on the full light of day and let the people of the old Commonwealth of Pennsylvania know what is true and what is not true and turn aside the curtain and let the people have a fair look into the affairs of their Government. That is all this resolution provides for. It makes no charges against any party. It simply asks that the light shall be turned on and that the people of this State be given a chance to look into the affairs of their own Government.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the gentleman from Berks, Mr. Sarig.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Berks, Mr. Sarig, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, yes, sir.

Mr. BEYER. What is the immediate purpose of your resolution?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, the immediate purpose of my resolution is to bring out how many of these charges are true and how many of these charges are false.

Mr. BEYER. Having done that and having satisfied yourself that there may be truth in the charges that you make in your resolution, then what is your purpose?

Mr. SARIG. Well, the resolution expresses no purpose beyond that and asks for that light, then, thereafter, such action can be taken, if this House has the facts disclosed as will warrant.

Mr. BEYER. Is this resolution in aid of any contemplated legislation on your part or any pending legislation?

Mr. SARIG. It has not. It is simply for the purpose of showing up the real facts in the case and to know whether or not this Government of Pennsylvania is in the hands of corruptionists and grafters or whether it is in the hands of true and honest servants of the people.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman has answered my questions and I desire to thank him for the information. Now, Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, I take it for granted that anything worth doing ought to be done well. I take it for granted that the members of this House entirely apart from their political allegiance to any party and entirely outside of any factional allegiance that they may give any one party or the other are equally desirous of upholding the good name of this Commonwealth in which we live and are equally anxious to do justice where justice needs to be done. It is, unfortunately, true that in the midst of great factional struggles things are said sometimes on either side which ought

not to be said. It is equally true that men sometimes talk loosely and make charges in a general manner against those in public office that at times have not the slightest right to do so. If any man thus transgresses he is, under the laws of our State, answerable to the proper courts for the injury that he has done any such person wrongfully assailed. I take no immediate issue with my distinguished friend from Berks in his remarks in taking advantage of whatever difference may exist on this side of the House. He is probably within his rights as a member of a political party adversely connected with that which I have the honor to represent. As a member of this House he has a perfect right to offer the resolution which is now before you, but when it comes to an investigation, and the purpose of that investigation can serve no other aim than to inflame the public mind and to create capital for any one political party to the disadvantage of the other, then I ask you what is the meaning of a resolution such as this; what are we, as representatives of the people of this Commonwealth, here for? Are we here to play politics or are we here to legislate for the people of Pennsylvania? Our duty is to ferret out corruption, if we know of any corruption to exist, or where there lies some reasonable suspicion of corruption which cries for investigation. Our policy, as members of a legislative body, is to enact laws for the benefit of the people and likewise to call to task those who may be remiss in their performance of public duty and bring them to the Bar of public opinion. That is done by impeachment proceedings, where you have the evidence or where you have a reasonable suspicion of it which justifies an investigation. It may be that some things charged against one side of the House or one faction on one side of the House are only too sadly true, but there is an orderly way to proceed and the courts have time and time again said what that method should be. Not by a single resolution attacking character, embodying everyone in a State Government and people outside of the State Government of this dishonesty of purpose, but a resolution with some single aim and purpose and with authority behind it that carries it successfully into execution.

The resolution now before the House is not a concurrent resolution. It does not ask the concurrence of the Senate as a co-ordinate branch of this State Legislature to authorize an investigation into the policies and honesty of our officials in this State. It is a resolution which emanates from the floor of this House and does not seek to go beyond it. It probably answers its purpose when it opens the ears of the newspaper press of this great State to make campaign material for the other side of the House. When it answers that purpose it answers all that is reasonably expected on the other side.

Now let us be fair on both sides of this House. If there is a resolution presented here of a concurrent nature asking the concurrence of the Senate, and making it a legislative measure, and placing it in the hands of the Governor, as the executive of the Commonwealth, for his approval, I am for that character of a resolution and I believe that every other man, regardless of all talk about factions in one party or the other, is equally in favor of such a resolution, because it is in plain and simple justice to the men accused in this resolution and who have been accused in the last few months that they should have their day, but it must be done in a perfectly lawful manner. You must observe that you are but one arm of the State legislature, a co-ordinate branch; that while you have authority to investigate the conduct of your own members and any bribery that may be committed on the floor of this House or outside of it affecting your general business, you have no power or standing by yourselves to investigate public officials and especially on absolutely unmeaningless charges such as appear in the resolution now before you.

I ask your attention, gentlemen, just for a few moments to some of the glaring charges which are made here, evidently based entirely on hearsay, based entirely upon readings in the press without any foundation to sustain them and absolutely unworthy of the consideration of a legislative body. The first section has reference to certain statements that were made by a United States Senator who says—where it is taken from I do not know, but the charge is made that this United States Senator says that certain attempts were made to influence members of the legislature by promises of appointment to office and by threats of dismissal of others from public office by intimidation, coercion and bribery warranting action by a Grand Inquest.

If any man in this chamber or outside of it has any evidence of any member of this House having been solicited by means of bribery or other foul means to do anything other than his plain duty as a member of the State Legislature, then let him produce the facts and let those facts be laid before a proper committee with power to act, with power to summon witnesses and compel obedience to its mandates, and then we will have something worth listening to and not a lot of ragtime talk which we hear on the outside.

The next proposition says that the same Senator "has been further quoted by the press"—don't even mention by what part of the press or in what part of the State—but "by the press of the State as having said 'in my opinion the people of this State will be astonished when the extravagance, absenteeism, misappropriation of funds, political coercion and intimidation and other scandalous conditions are exposed.'" By whom, may I ask? If you have charges to prefer which ought to be investigated, give the committee you ask to be appointed some light to guide them to tell in what portion to start their investigation.

The next proposition is that the same Senator "has given out a statement which has been published throughout the State as follows 'Mr. Brown has always been paid handsomely in a professional way for his services by contractors and corporations.'" In the name of Justice, tell me, gentlemen of the House, what criminal charges to lay at this man's door if that resolution stops at the point where I have just read. It is not a crime for a lawyer to charge fees and even handsome fees at that, but it may be a crime to take even a small fee, if not entitled to it, out of the public treasury; but that general charge or intimation don't even rise to the dignity of fair suspicion. "He has received many thousands of dollars from the State of Pennsylvania through the channels of the Auditor General's office in the way of special employments in a way that has threatened scandal and has been frequently resented by those who protested against his extravagant demand. These fees are not easily ascertained from an examination of the reports of the Auditor General because they are covered up under the designation of attorneys fees, but at an early opportunity doubtless the vouchers will be required and will show that several hundred thousands of dollars have been paid Mr. Brown and his associates for nominal work." If that is true why not wait until the time that you set forth in this resolution for these vouchers to be asked for and produced and then turn on the light.

Another part of the resolution that is highly objectionable and meaningless is that "Mr. Brown has never participated in the councils of the Republican Party except as an attorney for some one and his appearance before a Republican audience in a campaign would be greeted with derision." What have we got to do with that in the State Legislature? It may be of some interest to Mr. Brown to know whether he ought to go to a political gathering of the Republican Party but surely it does not affect the morals of this great State nor interest any legislative body in any course to be pursued whether he is acceptable in one convention or one meeting in preference to another. It shows upon its face no purpose other than to make for a political party in this State campaign material in a gubenatorial contest coming some time later, and nothing else.

Then there follows a long dissertation on the Public Service Commission; not only to investigate Mr. Brown in this omnibus resolution but it takes in everything conceivable and imaginable and it would take in the Public Service Commission; and you are told that some of these men have been active in politics. Perhaps they have. If they have the power to correct them for any abuses that they may have been guilty of lies in the hands of those where they work in the department and where they are employed; and if it does not exist there what have we to find fault with it. We may legislate for the future if we see fit to restrain such things and prevent that political activity; but until you have before this House some contemplated legislation in aid of which you want to investi-

gate these various outbursts to show that your legislation is needed, it is outside the purport and province of the State Legislature to complain.

Then there is the other statements given by prominent political leaders one one side of a faction or the other, spoken in the heat of political campaign and probably requiring action; but let us have action which will be based upon our respect for the State Constitution and our province as a State Legislature.

My distinguished friend almost immediately before taking his seat made the significant remark that these men should be brought to justice. It sounds a good deal like drawing a bill of indictment charging men for the violation of the criminal code of this Commonwealth. If my friend knows of anything to justify an indictment, let him lay the facts in the hands of the proper authorities in order that indictments may be found, that the culprits may be brought to immediate trial, but until you have the facts or some reasonable suspicion, based upon reasonable facts, what right have we as members of a State Legislature to go upon a fishing expedition in the hope that we may find something wrong somewhere after we start the machinery in action. Such is not the purpose of the State Legislature. The Courts have repeatedly held that the Constitution contemplates that the power of a legislature shall be exercised by the concurrence of two houses—the Senate and the House of Representatives. To make legislation legally operative there should be the concurrence of both houses; in order words, gentlemen, this should be a joint resolution, and the subject to be investigated must be within the proper field of legislative action.

I am going to read to you just for a moment from a case that was decided in New York, the case of McDonald vs. Keeler in 99 New York Reports, page 463, in which the Court used this significant language, equally as applicable here as it was there. "An investigation instituted for the mere sake of investigating, or for political purposes, not connected with intended legislation, or with any of the matters upon which the house could act, but merely intended to subject the body or party investigated to animadversion or to vindicate him or it from unjust oppression, where the legislature had no right, to put him or it on trial for mere supposed offences, and no legislation was contemplated, the proceedings must necessarily end with the investigation and would not in the judgment of the court be a legislative proceeding."

In other words, if you have a concurrent resolution there will be a joint committee. That joint committee can be authorized in the concurrent resolution to issue its subpoena, upon the subjects which are properly brought to its attention and at the time the committee is appointed, and with that authority to act, if any man fails to respond and answer to the subpoena which is issued and served upon him there can then be application made under an Act of Assembly to the Courts asking that an attachment be issued to bring the man before the bar of the House, to see that he is brought before the committee to give his testimony, or stand in contempt. But that resolution provides nothing of the sort. If you investigate under this resolution that investigation ends in this house, and it never goes any further. Now if you really want an investigation you will find others equally ready to join you in an honest effort to get the truth, which after all is the thing that the whole State is seeking for to-day. The people of Pennsylvania are not interested in the personal differences or the factional strife of the party which I represent, any more than they are in any factional differences on the other side of the house; but they are vitally interested in ascertaining the truth. If charges have been made let them be substantiated in a manner that lies in conformity with the letter and spirit of your state constitution. Let there be a concurrent resolution—a resolution which will be acted upon by both the Senate and this House, and then allow that resolution to go before the Executive of this Commonwealth and let him say whether he stands favorable to this investigation, and whether he does not himself believe that as an Executive he wants to purge himself of anything that may have been said against him, and which lies within the proper sphere of legislative inquiry. For this reason Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I shall vote "No" upon the resolution now before us.

Mr. SARIG. In view of the fact that my friend from Philadelphia has seen fit to belittle these charges made in this resolution, I wish to call the attention of the members of this House to the fact that the men who have made these charges are men of high standing in the government of Pennsylvania, and that these are men who are well seasoned in the arts of political life in Pennsylvania. These are not the statements of amateurs, and they are not the statements that were rashly made in the heat of a campaign. You will remember that these charges were hurled back and forth from day to day through the press of this State. They were dictated slowly and deliberately to the stenographer in some private office, and were carefully considered and scrutinized before they were handed out to the newspapers to be published throughout Pennsylvania.

I contend, and I am sincere in the belief, that these statements are deliberate statements, carefully studied and carefully considered by men who are thoroughly versed in the politics of Pennsylvania. These men who have made these charges understand all the devious ways by which legislation is enacted, or is hampered in this Commonwealth. They know all the dark and underground channels that often interfere with and impede legislation in this State, and when they made these charges they knew what they were talking about. They understood thoroughly from Alpha to Omega the subjects that they were discussing, and I am here to say that these charges should not be belittled, but that these charges coming from the high sources which they do, should be given due and fair consideration, and I claim that there is ample and just ground to proceed with an investigation without any further charges being added to them.

My friend, the gentleman from Philadelphia says, "Let us first prove these charges and then hold an investigation." Why, my friends, what is an investigation for? This investigation is to be for the purpose of throwing light on these charges, and to see what is true and what is not true, in other words, to diagnose the disease that now seems to affect the political life of this Commonwealth. It is idle for us at this time to prescribe what the remedy shall be. It has been charged that my resolution prescribes no remedy. I have no remedy to prescribe. I want to know first what the disease is. I want to know where the truth is, and after the truth has been ascertained, after the disease has been located and diagnosed, I claim that there is ample and sufficient time, and this House will then have sufficient authority to proceed to bring to the bar of justice such offenders as may have been found or deemed guilty in the investigation. I do not see that it is necessary to have any concurrent resolution. I believe that this movement of a concurrent resolution is only a movement of one faction to investigate the other faction, and I claim that that is unfair and partial. I claim that my resolution is fair to both factions, and it is fair to the people of the State of Pennsylvania, and I ask you gentlemen as servants of the people of Pennsylvania to uphold this resolution and to turn on the light, no matter where it hits, and to give a fair and impartial investigation to free the fair name of your Commonwealth from the stain that has been placed upon its honor.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, may I say just a word in reply.

I do not believe that my good friend from Berks really expects this resolution to be adopted by this House in the shape in which it appears at the present time. To begin with, men are referred to in the resolution as holding certain political offices, who to my knowledge, at least, do not hold the offices which they are charged with now holding. Surely it would be a matter of jest and ridicule all over Philadelphia, at least, where the eminent gentleman of whom I now shall speak, is known, to have him as Congressman from one of the principal districts of Philadelphia, referred to in this resolution, and even then not quite accurately, as William C. Vare, for many years a member of the State Senate of Pennsylvania. Surely so much of the resolution at least would invite a smile, as it already appears to have done in this House, and would be met with the same sort of jest on the outside. We are not as members of this legislative body, to go out before our constituents and the people at large in this State as a pack of fools, not knowing what we are to do,

and calling the people to account who do not hold the offices which they are charged with holding in the indictment that is being made against them.

Then again I take issue with the gentleman's statements; any honest man, or men especially in a political campaign, have a perfect right to differ with each other. In politics we all understand that quite frequently charges are indulged in; charges made against men whom you never met in your life, and you are simply talking parrot fashion from what you heard the other fellow say, and by the time the last man has had his say the charges are a good deal worse than they appeared to have been when they were first made. You know that, and with the same telling effect certain men of the factional side of the party that I speak for undertook to make charges against the honored gentleman who is now the Speaker of this House, and they said that he was the toy, and tool and lick-spittle of a man named Grundy, whom I at least have never met, and upon whose solicitation I at least did not form the high opinion that I entertained of the Speaker of this House. And yet with that same freedom men talk about Grundy and Grundyism, as if it were some sort of disease that required their houses to be placarded with a sign to avoid it, because a member of the party happens to know men whom I do not even know.

I assure you in all fairness the day is coming in Pennsylvania when men must be men and be guided by the truth in political campaigns, with as much eagerness and justice as the preacher is charged with his duty in the pulpit. If you want men to hold public office give them at least the benefit of your honest judgment based upon honest facts, and not upon charges which are loosely thrown out in the midst of a political campaign. And such a sad case as this has come to pass in our State that the average man no longer believes what he reads in quotations in the daily press as coming from the lips of any man politically interested on the other side of the House. Let us if we must differ upon political questions, as we have a right to do, and as the founders of our nation and of this State intended that we should, but let us be just, let us be fair, let us do the right thing, let us be guided by the light of truth, and whether we be members of one party or the other, let us be honest with each other, and we will deal justly with the State whose fortunes we are asked to safeguard in this legislative assembly.

I am against this resolution because it means absolutely nothing but political buncombe from the beginning to the end; because it makes no specific charges against any man or set of men, but loosely talks of the freedom with which some men make charges one against the other. If there is anything to be investigated let us investigate it. But to show you with what shrewdness, with what cleverness, and with what scheming political design this resolution is drawn, the very last paragraph of it shows the sinister purpose of the hand that wrote it, for it says this: that the said committee shall consist of six members of this House, who shall be elected by the vote of this House. Think of it! Elected by the vote of this House. Now you are to vote on it, but notwithstanding the fact that you are to vote on it, you are told in the resolution how to vote, and it shall consist of two members who supported Mr. Cox for Speaker and two members who supported Mr. Baldwin for Speaker and two Democratic members. In the name of justice, what does this House know about the men who voted for or against the present Speaker of this Chamber? What right has this House as a legislative body, to know anything about the Republican Caucus? What right has the Republican side of this House to know anything about the Democratic Caucus? When we come here and the nominations are made, they are made from the floor of this Chamber by the respective parties and the men voting for or against one or the other are recorded on the Journal of this House and they appear here not as Democrats or Republicans but as members of this Legislative Body. We at least do not rehash and repeat here that which we are not supposed to have of any legislative knowledge outside of a legislative body. It shows the folly of the effort that is made to make capital out of a family quarrel on our side of the House. Let me say to you, my friends, you may have a few brooms you want to use, but there is a good many brooms left yet on the Republican side of the House which can be put to immediate use when we find it is time to clean out our stables.

Mr. CHESTNUT. Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Fulton, Mr. Chestnut.

Mr. CHESTNUT. Mr. Speaker, I wish to tell a story. An Irishman was being tried for stealing a cow. He had no friends or money. I don't know who had the cow. The judge appointed the poorest young lawyer that there was there and the Irishman looked at him askance as though dubious of the result. The judge said, "Never fear, you will get justice." The Irishman replied, "By jabers, yer honor, that is what I am afraid of."

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Armstrong, Mr. Milliron.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I want to call the attention of this House to the fact that this resolution is not workable. On page 10, it provides, "First, That a committee consisting of six members of this House be appointed to investigate all and singular the said charges and the implications, etc." Then further down, "Third. That the said committee shall consist of six members of this House, shall be elected by the vote of this House, etc." Under this resolution we have absolute provision for two separate committees: One to be appointed by the Chair, the other to be elected by the House, and from the fact that this resolution is not workable I move you, Mr. Speaker, that further action on this resolution be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Sarig and Mr. Canon, and were as follows:

YEAS—161

Albee,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aron,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Michel,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allen,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Clements,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Thomas,
Conner,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Urich,
Corbin,	Horne,	Phillips,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Horton,	Pickering,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Hough,	Powell,	Walker,
Cummins,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Curry,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Walter,
Dale,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Richards,	Wickman,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Ross,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Schaeffer,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCaig,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCollough,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shunk,	

NAYS—38

Barner,	Drake,	Mervine,	Smith, F. L.,
Bell,	Erdman,	Murphy,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Flynn,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Stofflet,
Benninger,	Hollern,	Ringler,	Strauss,
Black,	Isherwood,	Rinn,	Sweitzer,
Burnett,	Lanius,	Rothenberger,	Taylor,
Canon,	Laucks,	Ruddy,	West,
Chestnut,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Christman,	Malie,	Sarig,	
Donneley,	Maurer,	Shaffer,	

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor, which were read as follows:

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved a resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives providing for the participation in the parade following the inauguration of the President of the United States at Washington, D. C., March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, by the Commander-in-Chief and staff, and not exceeding one Brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania.

(Signed) MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Also:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 22, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with the Act of Assembly of 1915, Joint Resolution No. 65, I beg to advise that the Commission appointed by me under said Resolution has made an investigation into the practicability of manufacturing brick on an extensie scale at the Western Penitentiary in Centre County.

I beg also to advise you that I had an independent investigation made by the Warden of the Penitentiary and this, together with the report of the Commission, I herewith submit with the suggestion that inasmuch as it appears that the quality of the soil owned by the Commonwealth at this particular place does not lend itself to the manufacture of brick on an extensive scale, I would recommend that no further action at this time be considered to give employment to the inmates of this institution in the manner suggested by Joint Resolution No. 65, Session of 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JOHN E. HANIFEN, Chairman. COL. C. A. ROOK, Vice Chairman. JOHN D. DORRIS, Sec. and Treas.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.
PRISON LABOR COMMISSION.
Real Estate Trust Building.
Philadelphia, Pa., December 18, 1916.

Excellency, The Honorable Martin Grove Brumbaugh, Governor of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.

My Dear Sir: The Commission appointed under Joint Resolution No. 65, to consider the practicability of establishing a brick manufacturing plant at the new penitentiary, respectfully reports that in accordance with the provisions of the Resolution they met and organized on July 24th, 1916. The Commission also met subsequently on October 23rd. None of the members of the Commission had any expert knowledge on the subject of brick manufacturing and no appropriation was provided for the employment of experts to advise the Commission.

At the request of the Chairman of the Commission an investigation of the matter was made by the State Highway Department. The State Highway Commissioner made the following report of that investigation:

"November 22, 1916.

Colonel C. A. Rook, President Board of Inspectors, Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, N. S., Pa.

My Dear Colonel: Accompanied by Mr. W. D. Uhler, our Chief Engineer, we went to the Penitentiary property on November seventeenth and made a personal inspection of the same, with a view of establishing a brick plant for the manufacture of paving brick for State Highway purposes at this institution. We find no deposits of clay suitable for that purpose. The Penitentiary property is situated in a limestone country which has a very thin covering of soil and no clay deposits that we could see. We therefore would think that it would be a waste of money even to try to test out the little bit of soil that is there for the purpose of brick making. If you will take the trouble to go on this property yourself you will find that the limestone is sticking out of the ground any place you look, and especially where there is some erosion exposing the same, it is known to be from one to two hundred feet thick through this valley. I do not believe that you could go more than a few feet on this property without striking the limestone.

I am still of the opinion, as expressed in my former letter, that this proposition is not a good one and it would only be a waste of money even to try an experimental plant, but still feel that there is an almost unlimited supply of good limestone, suitable for road building, which could be quarried and crushed to the proper sizes by inmates of the Penitentiary.

I think this is the only proposition there from which you could get any good results and, if you have the labor, it would be wise to have them quarry and prepare what stone they can for highway purposes.

Mr. Uhler has read this report and agrees with me in the same.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) F. B. BLACK,
State Highway Commissioner."

The Commission begs leave to submit that report as its own.

(Signed) JOHN E. HANIFEN,
" WARREN C. GRAHAM,
" JOHN D. DORRIS,
" S. J. MILLER,
" C. A. ROOK,
Chairman.

JOHN FRANCIES,
Warden.

WESTERN PENITENTIARY OF PENNSYLVANIA.
Pittsburgh, Pa., January 3rd, 1917.

Hon. Martin G. Brumbaugh, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir: In accordance with our talk on December 12th, 1916, with reference to the Joint Resolution providing for and regulating a Commission to consider the practicability of establishing a brick manufacturing plant at the new penitentiary, permit me to say I had Mr. Herron take the matter up, and go over it carefully, and I am enclosing his report.

I regret to say, after having gone into the matter, that the prospects are not good for establishing a brick manufacturing plant on the prison grounds. There is brick clay in the valley, both North and South of the Institution, but not in sufficient quantities to justify going into the manufacture of brick on an extensive scale.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) JOHN FRANCIES,
Warden.

Enclosure.

JOHN FRANCIES,
Superintendent.

NEW WESTERN PENITENTIARY OF PENNSYLVANIA.
Bellefonte, Pa., December 27th, 1916.

John Francies, Supt. of Const., New Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear Sir: I have inquired from all sources I can think of to get some information concerning a possible brick clay deposit on this property, and the only location in which such a deposit might exist would be near the foot of the Nittany mountain, on the South end of the Zimmerman farm.

Have called the bankers in Bellefonte to see if anybody had ever thought of developments along this line in this vicinity, and find that none of them have any knowledge of such. I also called Mr. Harry Zimmerman, former owner of this farm, and he informe me that along time ago a group of men, of whom Governor Beaver was a prominent member, investigated and inspected his farm with view of starting a brick plant, and they passed an opinion at that time that there were a few acres at the South East corner of Mr. Zimmerman's farm having a clay deposit, heavy in iron ore, which resembles somewhat the clay vein existing at Mill Hall, from which Mill Hall brick are made. Mr. Zimmerman also stated that he had no knowledge of this deposit existing below a depth of about two feet, but that in all events, the group of men who inspected the property, did not consider it worthy of development.

I have no one on the job who knows anything about brick clay, and would suggest that in case you desire to investigate this more thoroughly, that some man be brought here, having expert knowledge of brick clays, and that we open up test pits near the foot of the mountain, in order to determine if there is any deposits worthy of development.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) JAS. W. HERRON.
Assist. Supt. of Const.

WRIT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION ISSUED.

The SPEAKER. The Chair presents to the House a writ to provide for an election to fill a vacancy in the Third Legislative District of Schuylkill County.

The writ is as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, ss.

To Charles Ditchey, Sheriff of the County of Schuylkill:

Greeting: Whereas, A vacancy exists in the office of Representative of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Third Legislative District of the County of Schuylkill, composed of the townships of Union, North Union, East Union, Blythe, West Brunswick, East Brunswick, West Penn, Schuylkill, Kline, Rush, Ryan, Rahn and Walker, and the boroughs of Port Clinton, Tamaqua, New Philadelphia, Middleport, New Ringgold, Coaldale, Ringtown and McAdoo, caused by the reason of the death of B. Jefferson

Yost, the Representative from said District, on the twenty-ninth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

Now, therefore, I, R. J. Baldwin, Speaker of the House of Representatives, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Pennsylvania, and by the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, do hereby command you: That you cause an election to be held in the said Third Legislative District of the County of Schuylkill on the eighth day of February, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, to choose a person to represent said Third Legislative District in the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania for the remainder of the term expiring December first, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and that you give due and public notice of said election throughout said Third Legislative District and to at least one of the inspectors of each election district therein, in the form and manner directed by law.

Given under my hand and seal at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, this 10th day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

R. J. BALDWIN, (Seal)

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
County of Schuylkill ss.

Before me the subscriber, James R. Walton, Prothonotary, personally appeared Oscar Baird, sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, who being duly sworn according to law, doth depose and say that he served the within writ of election on Charles Ditchey, sheriff of the County of Schuylkill, by handing him a true and correct copy thereof and by making known to him the contents thereof.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 15th day of January, A. D. 1917.

JAMES R. WALTON,
Prothonotary.

Commission expires first Monday in January, 1920.

OSCAR BAIRD,

Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires at this time to announce the Committee on Rules as follows: Messrs. Ramsey, of Delaware; Whitaker, of Chester; Heffernan, of Philadelphia; McCraig, of Allegheny, and Flynn, of Elk.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 10.25 P. M.) the House adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, January 23, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the preservation of our lives and for this beautiful and inspiring day. We pray that we may put the proper estimate upon the opportunities that are constantly coming to us, to make for ourselves a larger and better life by helping in every way we possibly can our great State. We pray that it may become a pleasure for us to make it hard for people to do that which is wrong and injurious to themselves and to others, and easy to do that which is right. Guide us by Thy spirit so that we may live to Thy glory and to the best good of our fellows. We ask in our Saviour's name. **Amen.**

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. Kline, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

APPOINTMENT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE.

The PRESIDENT. The President Pro Tempore announces the appointment of the following standing committees of the Senate of Pennsylvania for the session of 1917.

The Committees were read by the Clerk as follows:

AGRICULTURE.

Messrs. Schantz, Chairman,
Homsher,
Endsley,
Croft,
Miller,
Snyder, P. W.
Smith, R. E.
Jones,
Stewart,
Warner,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Messrs. Buckman, Chairman,
Endsley,
Snyder, C. A.
Crow,
Sproul,
Catlin,
Homsher,
McNichol,
Salus,
Vare,
Graff, J. F.
Croft,
Daix,
Semmens,
Phipps,
McConnell,
Magee,
Lynch,
Schantz,
Smith, W. W.
Burke,
Kline,
McKee,
Miller,
Snyder, P. W.
Baldwin,
Eyre,
Graff, W. P.
Jones,
Nason,
Weaver,
Whitten,
Craig,
Sones,
DeWitt,
Wasbers,
Hindman,
Tompkins,
Hackett,
Stewart,
Warner,
Sassaman,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

BANKS AND BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Messrs. Croft, Chairman,
Patton,
Daix,
Homsher,
McConnell,
Salus,
Schantz,
Semmens,
Snyder, P. W.
Endsley,
Graff, J. F.
Baldwin,
Craig,
Graff, W. P.
Sones,
Warner,
DeWitt,
Leiby,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

CANALS AND INLAND NAVIGATION.

Messrs. Magee, Chairman,
Graff, J. F.,
Smith, R. E.,
Craig,
Nason,
Whitten,
Hindman,
Leiby,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

CITY PASSENGER RAILWAYS.

Messrs. Homsher, Chairman,
Daix,
Catlin,
Vare,
McNichol,
Schantz,
McKee,
Jenkins,
Martin,
Sones
DeWitt,
Hackett,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT.

Messrs. Graff, W. P., Chairman,
Homsher,
Magee,
Crow,
Phipps,
Snyder, C. A.,
Lynch,
McNichol,
Sproul,
Kline,
Martin,
Weaver,
Eyre,
Hindman,
Hackett,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

CORPORATIONS.

Messrs. Crow, Chairman,
Sproul,
McNichol,
Vare,
Endsley,
Kline,
Semmens,
Phipps,
Burke,
Patton,
Baldwin,
Graff, W. P.,
Sones,
Tompkins,
Warner,
Sassaman,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

EDUCATION.

Messrs. Semmens, Chairman,
Snyder, C. A.,
Magee,
Snyder, P. W.,
Schantz,
McKee,
Smith, R. E.,
Jones,
Weaver,
Haldeman,
Craig,
Stewart,
Wasbers,
Tompkins,
Leiby,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

ELECTIONS.

Messrs. McNichol, Chairman,
Catlin,
Vare,
Crow,
Graff, J. F.,
Salus,
McConnell,
Kline,
Sproul,
Buckman,
Eyre,
Weaver,
Sones,
Sassaman,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS.

Messrs. Crow, Chairman,
Vare,
McNichol,
Sproul,
Catlin,
Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman, ex-officio.

EXPOSITION AFFAIRS.

Messrs. Patton, Chairman, Baldwin, Craig, Graff, W. P., Nason, Whitten, Hindman, Leiby, Beidleman, ex-officio.

FEDERAL RELATIONS.

Messrs. Snyder, P. W., Chairman, McKee, Snyder, C. A., Smith, R. E., Haldeman, Hindman, Stewart, Leiby, Beidleman, ex-officio.

FINANCE.

Messrs. Sproul, Chairman, Crow, Kline, Catlin, McNichol, Vare, Miller, Graff, W. P., Eyre, Sones, DeWitt, Hackett, Beidleman, ex-officio.

FORESTRY.

Messrs. Phipps, Chairman, Endsley, Smith, R. E., Baldwin, Haldeman, Wasbers, Stewart, Leiby, Beidleman, ex-officio.

GAME AND FISHERIES.

Messrs. McConnell, Chairman, Buckman, Semmens, Baldwin, Nason, Whitten, Jones, Martin, Wasbers, Warner, Tompkins, Hackett, Sassaman, Beidleman, ex-officio.

INSURANCE.

Messrs. Graff, J. F., Chairman, Vare, Semmens, Daix, McConnell, Burke, Crow, Snyder, C. A., McNichol, Patton, Martin, Baldwin, Sones, Tompkins, DeWitt, Beidleman, ex-officio.

JUDICIAL APPORTIONMENT.

Messrs. Jenkins, Chairman, Snyder, P. W., Daix, Smith, R. E., Burke, Schantz, Craig, Baldwin, Nason, Haldeman, Hindman, Hackett, Sassaman, Beidleman, ex-officio.

JUDICIARY GENERAL.

Messrs. Kline, Chairman, Daix, Crow, Buckman, Salus, Snyder, C. A., Magee, Schantz, Sproul, McConnell, Patton, Jenkins, Phipps, Baldwin, Weaver, Whitten, Craig, Nason, Hindman, Tompkins, Leiby, Beidleman, ex-officio.

JUDICIARY SPECIAL.

Messrs. Snyder, C. A., Chairman, Crow, McNichol, Daix, McConnell, Lynch, Patton, Smith, W. W., Kline, Catlin, Buckman, Croft, Baldwin, Haldeman, Sones, DeWitt, Tompkins, Beidleman, ex-officio.

LAW AND ORDER.

Messrs. Salus, Chairman, Magee, Vare, McNichol, McConnell, Schantz, Whitten, Hackett, DeWitt, Sassaman, Beidleman, ex-officio.

LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT.

Messrs. Weaver, Chairman, Homsher, Buckman, Daix, Snyder, P. W., Magee, Schantz, Jenkins, Semmens, Graff, J. F., Catlin, Jones, Stewart, Hindman, Warner, Beidleman, ex-officio.

LIBRARY.

Messrs. Jones, Chairman, Smith, W. W., Smith, R. E., Craig, Whitten, Leiby, Sassaman, Beidleman, ex-officio.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Messrs. McKee, Chairman, Smith, W. W., Phipps, Haldeman, Whitten, Warner, Hackett, Wasbers, Beidleman, ex-officio.

MINES AND MINING.

Messrs. Baldwin, Chairman, Catlin, Buckman, Croft, Endsley, Homsher, Crow, Semmens, Jones, Sones, Hackett, Beidleman, ex-officio.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

Messrs. Vare, Chairman, McNichol, Salus, Schantz, Magee, Patton, Daix, Sproul, Kline, Catlin, Baldwin, Martin, Haldeman, Nason, Sones, Hackett, Tompkins, Beidleman, ex-officio.

NEW COUNTIES AND COUNTY SEATS.

Messrs. Lynch, Chairman, Smith, R. E., Jenkins, Graff, J. F., Catlin, McKee, Kline, Jones, Hindman, Stewart, Beidleman, ex-officio.

PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES.

Messrs. Burke, Chairman, Salus, Graff, J. F., Phipps, McKee, Baldwin, Haldeman, Hindman, Stewart, Beidleman, ex-officio.

PUBLIC GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

Messrs. Catlin, Chairman, Endsley, Buckman, Homsher, McConnell, Burke, Smith, W. W., Wasbers, Sassaman, Beidleman, ex-officio.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION.

Messrs. Miller, Chairman, Lynch, Endsley, Daix, Croft, McKee, Snyder, C. A., Snyder, P. W., Kline, Smith, W. W., Graff, W. P., Haldeman, Jones, Nason, Weaver, Whitten, Wasbers, Tompkins, Sassaman, Beidleman, ex-officio.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

Messrs. Smith, W. W., Chairman, Smith, R. E., Craig, Eyre, Whitten, Nason, Graff, W. P., Wasbers, Hackett, Leiby, Beidleman, ex-officio.

PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS.

Messrs. Eyre, Chairman, Endsley, Buckman, Sproul, Vare, Lynch, Croft, Snyder, P. W., McNichol, Catlin, Kline, Graff, J. F., Patton, McConnell, Phipps, Schantz, Semmens, Crow, Baldwin, Graff, W. P., Jones, Nason, Weaver, Sones, Stewart, DeWitt, Tompkins, Warner, Wasbers, Beidleman, ex-officio.

PUBLIC SUPPLY OF LIGHT, HEAT AND WATER.

Messrs.	Daix, Chairman,	Snyder, P. W.,
	Smith, R. E.,	Eyre,
	Semmens,	Jones,
	Jenkins,	Wasbers,
	Lynch,	Leiby,
	Miller,	Beidleman, ex-officio.

RAILROADS.

Messrs.	Endsley, Chairman,	Croft,
	Sproul,	Jenkins,
	Homsher,	Eyre,
	Miller,	Sones,
	Graff, J. F.,	Tompkins,
	Catlin,	Wasbers,
	Burke,	Beidleman, ex-officio.

RECESS.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 11.45 o'clock this morning.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed the Senate will be in order.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McCONNELL offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, January 23, 1917.

Resolved, (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Legislature adjourns to-day, it be to meet on Monday evening, January twenty-ninth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

SENATE PROCEEDS TO HOUSE TO COUNT VOTE FOR STATE OFFICERS.

The hour of twelve o'clock having arrived,

Messrs. Rininger, Sinclair and Wynne, a committee from the House of Representatives being introduced, informed the Senate that the House of Representatives was ready for the reception of the President and members of the Senate for the purpose of witnessing the opening, counting and publishing of the official returns of the vote cast on the first Tuesday of November, A. D. 1916, for Auditor General and State Treasurer.

Whereupon,

The President and members of the Senate proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives.

SENATE RETURNS FROM HOUSE.

After some time the President and Senators returned to the Senate Chamber.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

TELLER'S REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT SESSION OF SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE OPENING, COUNTING AND PUBLISHING OF VOTES FOR AUDITOR GENERAL AND STATE TREASURER.

Mr. ENDSLEY, teller on the part of the Senate, made a report which was read as follows:

That the President and members of the Senate and the Speaker and members of the House of Representatives, met in the hall of the House of Representatives at 12.00 o'clock this day, and the Honorable Frank B. McClain, President of the Senate, in pursuance of the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth, did then and there proceed to open and count and publish the official returns of the election for Auditor General and State Treasurer, held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November last, being the seventh day of November, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, in the City of Philadelphia, and the several counties of the Commonwealth, as follows:

FOR STATE TREASURER.

COUNTIES.	James M. Cramer, Democratic	Harmon M. Kephart, Republican.	Harmon M. Kephart, Bull Moose.	Harmon M. Kephart, Keystone.	Harmon M. Kephart, Personal Liberty.	Charles Sehl, Socialist.	E. J. Fithian, Prohibition.	George G. Anton, Industrialist.	James A. Robinson, Single Tax.	Scattering.
Adams,	3,772	3,103	33	7	2	83	127	1	2	....
Allegheny,	40,993	73,498	1,316	348	235	8,497	2,794	115	344	1
Armstrong,	3,225	5,462	98	13	11	327	345	0	6	....
Beaver,	4,662	6,403	226	19	8	979	515	9	30	....
Bedford,	2,999	3,577	66	18	3	228	130	1	3	....
Berks,	17,531	10,904	258	79	21	3,639	354	26	27	....
Blair,	6,574	9,237	157	39	17	579	458	30	23	....
Bradford,	3,112	5,571	74	36	6	184	720	2	23	....
Bucks,	7,054	8,899	53	43	3	237	182	3	6	....
Butler,	4,111	5,035	52	19	10	227	1,195	3	12	....
Cambria,	9,190	9,406	315	44	50	731	551	15	53	3
Cameron,	368	629	9	3	1	14	33	1	0	....
Carbon,	3,767	4,046	83	11	10	194	187	3	9	....
Centre,	3,885	4,187	35	20	2	138	171	0	3	....
Chester,	7,610	10,909	140	40	62	211	407	7	14	....
Clarion,	3,120	2,286	31	13	4	171	280	1	4	....
Clearfield,	5,359	5,111	143	50	9	850	667	6	29	....
Clinton,	2,739	2,619	44	14	8	354	99	4	2	....
Columbia,	5,404	2,691	32	32	3	109	309	1	5	1
Crawford,	5,058	5,131	104	12	5	561	674	0	10	....
Cumberland,	5,949	5,198	36	9	1	177	433	0	2	....
Dauphin,	10,145	13,829	186	81	12	1,012	578	9	27	....
Delaware,	7,058	16,131	101	28	5	235	570	5	34	....
Elk,	2,007	2,674	15	8	1	229	207	0	3	....
Erie,	7,857	8,077	74	81	14	1,150	1,247	31	59	....
Fayette,	9,942	9,740	116	22	8	880	500	1	10	....
Forest,	368	566	3	3	0	110	99	0	2	....
Franklin,	5,090	5,468	58	10	2	301	264	12	5	....
Fulton,	1,135	639	85	0	0	12	12	0	3	....
Greene,	3,400	1,752	72	3	1	62	76	0	3	....
Huntingdon,	1,986	3,489	121	26	4	178	157	3	12	....
Indiana,	2,058	4,667	29	52	1	398	857	4	10	....
Jefferson,	2,887	4,096	119	13	2	491	373	3	16	....
Juniata,	1,495	1,120	12	10	0	21	22	1	2	....
Lackawanna,	13,601	16,620	52	70	0	523	797	10	17	....
Lancaster,	9,602	19,913	79	7	3	542	1,064	18	2	....
Lawrence,	3,066	4,728	107	16	16	714	754	5	14	....
Lebanon,	3,542	5,483	56	15	7	216	357	1	9	....
Lehigh,	11,536	10,144	120	24	7	954	298	2	16	....
Luzerne,	17,517	22,897	234	90	27	1,339	678	22	68	....
Lycoming,	5,965	5,155	126	61	19	1,094	804	3	14	....
McKean,	2,571	3,863	136	27	5	508	461	5	25	....
Mercer,	5,658	5,476	151	42	3	774	970	6	11	....
Mifflin,	1,703	1,999	22	11	2	278	110	2	5	....
Monroe,	2,841	1,108	30	4	1	17	126	3	6	....
Montgomery,	13,026	19,785	105	26	7	731	284	2	82	....
Montour,	1,256	908	31	24	0	25	75	3	9	....
Northampton,	10,389	8,673	109	15	33	476	606	10	16	....
Northumberland,	7,968	7,628	239	67	19	1,101	370	18	70	....
Perry,	2,197	2,456	13	2	1	27	45	0	2	....
Philadelphia,	80,532	190,387	1,564	537	97	4,741	1,266	70	251	....
Pike,	823	440	10	2	0	10	26	0	3	....
Potter,	1,360	2,152	63	31	3	243	218	2	6	....
Schuylkill,	11,951	16,582	354	51	16	866	282	26	40	....
Snyder,	1,117	1,567	41	7	1	53	33	1	6	....
Somerset,	2,498	5,288	185	4	8	489	295	4	5	....
Sullivan,	928	759	12	6	0	23	73	0	2	....
Susquehanna,	2,766	3,618	33	6	0	25	262	2	2	....
Tioga,	1,644	4,287	166	37	8	107	391	7	13	....
Union,	1,123	1,672	38	6	1	44	64	4	7	....
Venango,	2,911	3,510	79	27	4	594	1,375	4	19	....
Warren,	2,282	3,002	87	10	2	354	727	11	2	....
Washington,	7,185	10,029	160	10	5	1,089	700	2	20	....
Wayne,	1,820	2,536	52	10	2	52	200	2	7	....
Westmoreland,	13,813	12,805	155	24	24	2,584	1,009	26	41	....
Wyoming,	1,313	1,545	35	4	0	35	69	1	7	....
York,	15,079	11,588	157	15	9	766	1,140	14	6	....
	463,503	664,753	9,097	2,443	851	44,963	31,522	583	1,596	5

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL.

COUNTIES.	James B. Murrin, Democratic.	Charles A. Snyder, Republican.	Charles A. Snyder, Bull Moose.	Charles A. Snyder, Keystone.	Charles A. Snyder, Personal Liberty.	Walter V. Tyler, Socialist.	William Repp, Prohibition.	Herman Spittal, Industrialist.	William G. Wright, Single Tax.	Scattering.
Adams,	3,650	3,110	35	9	1	85	129	2	2	....
Allegheny,	39,598	74,488	1,135	328	235	8,830	3,005	106	301	....
Armstrong,	3,082	5,487	73	19	13	337	337	2	9	....
Beaver,	4,473	6,451	236	24	11	1,021	524	6	19	....
Bedford,	2,964	3,580	71	11	2	136	145	1	7	....
Berks,	17,221	10,980	280	29	20	3,719	383	27	27	....
Blair,	5,946	9,411	158	28	21	683	524	31	21	....
Bradford,	3,064	5,579	67	23	5	202	741	3	16	....
Bucks,	6,989	8,905	45	41	5	253	208	4	11	....
Butler,	4,065	5,042	67	10	10	242	1,185	2	10	....
Cambria,	8,385	9,986	187	46	48	796	630	21	71	....
Cameron,	349	624	10	2	0	15	31	1	0	....
Carbon,	3,666	4,052	72	21	19	205	230	0	6	....
Centre,	3,849	3,970	48	12	3	143	184	0	6	....
Chester,	7,518	10,913	149	38	52	226	461	8	14	....
Clarion,	2,985	2,347	40	16	4	177	306	2	6	....
Clearfield,	5,208	5,076	154	37	17	904	718	3	28	....
Clinton,	2,665	2,625	39	10	2	364	116	3	3	....
Columbia,	5,348	2,694	50	18	2	118	327	0	4	....
Crawford,	4,936	5,133	106	8	8	576	664	1	16	....
Cumberland,	5,751	5,264	48	6	0	191	473	0	6	....
Dauphin,	9,568	13,914	214	68	16	1,124	730	10	33	....
Delaware,	6,976	6,117	96	32	8	255	631	3	43	....
Elk,	1,998	2,681	12	7	1	234	210	0	4	....
Erie,	7,639	8,040	76	20	25	1,154	1,239	41	52	....
Fayette,	9,842	9,780	71	15	6	909	516	1	14	....
Forest,	358	562	4	3	1	114	109	1	1	....
Franklin,	5,056	5,441	44	8	3	302	276	4	6	....
Fulton,	1,118	643	88	0	1	12	11	0	2	....
Greene,	3,447	1,751	67	3	1	62	68	0	5	....
Huntingdon,	1,943	3,535	120	16	2	181	164	4	16	....
Indiana,	1,986	4,671	31	14	2	404	880	2	9	....
Jefferson,	2,805	4,132	119	6	1	517	394	0	14	....
Juniata,	1,392	1,199	16	2	1	27	25	0	4	....
Lackawanna,	14,230	16,175	56	3	1	561	832	11	20	....
Lancaster,	9,545	19,905	74	4	4	547	1,085	18	4	....
Lawrence,	2,543	4,557	108	10	16	1,413	703	3	7	....
Lebanon,	3,539	5,411	40	8	7	217	393	2	9	....
Lehigh,	11,347	10,189	129	33	12	975	322	4	18	....
Luzerne,	17,026	22,579	238	103	25	1,297	750	9	79	....
Lycoming,	5,595	5,273	152	83	22	1,125	811	3	23	....
McKean,	2,537	3,828	127	38	11	521	465	3	17	....
Mercer,	5,523	5,533	76	131	2	826	852	5	8	....
Mifflin,	1,645	2,025	35	8	0	294	106	1	6	....
Monroe,	2,773	1,094	35	5	4	17	144	2	3	....
Montgomery,	12,836	19,922	107	22	13	759	323	2	89	1
Montour,	1,263	873	26	26	2	28	70	2	6	....
Northampton,	10,125	8,812	105	24	40	484	616	10	20	....
Northumberland,	7,405	7,799	289	51	24	1,173	464	13	46	....
Perry,	2,126	2,491	15	1	1	31	58	0	4	....
Philadelphia,	78,511	191,395	1,643	573	107	4,872	1,418	64	268	2
Pike,	806	454	13	0	0	10	26	0	0	....
Potter,	1,230	2,121	83	8	3	164	227	2	7	....
Schuylkill,	10,579	17,631	796	136	66	1,000	376	18	40	....
Snyder,	1,086	1,558	39	8	2	56	33	0	6	....
Somerset,	2,439	5,361	101	9	3	494	316	4	9	....
Sullivan,	919	756	14	2	0	23	79	0	1	....
Susquehanna,	2,742	3,625	29	5	2	26	279	0	2	....
Tioga,	1,624	4,261	182	34	9	113	401	5	15	....
Union,	1,092	1,680	31	5	0	59	71	3	4	....
Venango,	2,827	3,578	75	22	4	631	1,383	6	20	....
Warren,	2,138	3,063	96	9	3	361	765	6	4	....
Washington,	7,038	10,075	173	6	7	1,099	696	2	16	....
Wayne,	1,800	2,543	58	15	1	57	201	1	4	....
Westmoreland,	11,626	14,182	246	55	49	2,709	1,142	23	27	....
Wyoming,	1,303	1,544	26	3	0	34	88	0	4	....
York,	15,198	11,628	152	19	14	764	1,229	15	7	....
	448,856	670,104	9,447	2,389	1,000	47,258	33,298	526	1,579	3

SUMMARY OF VOTE FOR STATE TREASURER.

James M. Cramer, Democratic,		463,503
Harmon M. Kephart, Republican,	664,753	
Harmon M. Kephart, Bull Moose,	9,097	
Harmon M. Kephart, Keystone,	2,443	
Harmon M. Kephart, Personal Liberty,	851	
		677,144
Charles Sehl, Socialist,		44,963
E. J. Fithian, Prohibition,		31,522
George C. Anton, Industrialist,		583
James A. Robinson, Single Tax,		1,596
Scattering,		5
Total number of votes cast,		1,219,316

Kephart's plurality over Cramer, 213,461.
Kephart's majority, 134,977.

SUMMARY OF VOTE FOR AUDITOR GENERAL.

James B. Murrin, Democratic,		448,856
Charles A. Snyder, Republican,	670,104	
Charles A. Snyder, Bull Moose,	9,447	
Charles A. Snyder, Keystone,	2,389	
Charles A. Snyder, Personal Liberty,	1,000	
		682,940
Walter V. Tyler, Socialist,		47,258
William Repp, Prohibition,		33,298
Herman Spittal, Industrialist,		526
William G. Wright, Single Tax,		1,579
Scattering,		3
Total number of votes cast,		1,214,460

Snyder's plurality over Murrin, 234,084.
Snyder's majority, 151,420.

Whereupon, the President pro tempore announced that Charles A. Snyder having received the highest number of votes, was duly elected Auditor General for the term of four years from the first Tuesday in May, A. D. 1917, and that Harmon M. Kephart having received the highest number of votes was duly elected State Treasurer for the term of four years from the first Monday in May, A. D. 1917.

Four certificates were signed in each case as follows:

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the twenty-third day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, in the hall of the House of Representatives at the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for Auditor General of this Commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature, conformably to the provisions of the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth, and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed by each House, it appears that Charles A. Snyder had the highest number of votes; whereupon the said Charles A. Snyder was declared duly elected Auditor General.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above mentioned.

FRANK B. McCLAIN,
President of the Senate.

RICHARD J. BALDWIN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JAMES W. ENDSLEY,
Teller on the part of the Senate.

EDGAR R. SMITH,
Teller on the part of the House of Representatives.

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the twenty-third day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, in the hall of the House of Representatives at the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for State Treasurer of this Commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of both houses of the Legislature, conformably to the provisions of the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed by each House, it appears that Harmon M. Kephart had the highest number of votes, whereupon the said Harmon M. Kephart was declared duly elected State Treasurer.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above mentioned.

FRANK B. McCLAIN,
President of the Senate.

RICHARD J. BALDWIN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JAMES W. ENDSLEY,
Teller on the part of the Senate.

EDGAR R. SMITH,
Teller on the part of the House of Representatives.

The PRESIDENT. The report of the teller will be entered at length on the Journal of the Senate.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid upon the table.

RECESS.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. SALUS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 2, entitled

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An Act making an appropriation to the Frederick Douglass Memorial Hospital and Training School of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

UNVEILING OF MURAL PAINTINGS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 23, 1917.

Hon. Frank B. McClain, President, State Senate, Harrisburg, Pa.

My dear Sir:—

I beg to advise you that in fulfillment of her contract with the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings, Miss Violet Oakley has completed and hung on the walls of the Senate Chamber five important paintings bearing upon the history of the Province and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

These paintings have by our direction been draped, and the Board of Grounds and Buildings respectfully suggest that in the unveiling of them your body take such action as to you may seem wise.

With sincere regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

M. G. BRUMBAUGH,
Chairman.

The PRESIDENT. Inasmuch as the paintings by Miss Oakley hung in this chamber portray great epochal events in the history of this Commonwealth, it would seem that their unveiling should be attended with some formal and dignified ceremony.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. W. W. SMITH offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor, President pro tempore of the Senate, and Senate Committee, of Public Grounds and Buildings, be and hereby are constituted a Committee to arrange for a formal unveiling of the paintings by Miss Violet Oakley, recently hung in this Senate Chamber.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in Resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, January 23, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Legislature adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, January twenty-ninth, at nine o'clock.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 23, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Wilber A. McCoy, Pittsburgh.
Miss V. C. Von Hofen, Pittsburgh.
Scott M. Stewart, McKeesport.
Daniel J. Dwyer, Pittsburgh.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Mrs. Gertrude Altemus, Johnstown.

LEBANON COUNTY.

John A. Shriver, Palmyra.

MONROE COUNTY.

Harry M. Albert, Stroudsburg.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Henry F. Corson, Norristown.
Herbert U. Moore, Norristown.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Daniel E. Steckel, Easton.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Patrick H. Smith, Philadelphia.
D. Irvin Fulton, Philadelphia.
Harry F. Voss, Philadelphia.
Martin Stotz, Philadelphia.
James S. Ashworth, Philadelphia.

WARREN COUNTY.

Miss Mattie C. Snyder, Warren.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

John S. Foster, Kittanning.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 23, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Arthur R. May, McKeesport, January 30, 1917.
Miss Rilla G. Mackey, Pittsburgh, February 4, 1917.
Albert J. Walker, Pittsburgh, February 6, 1917.
J. B. McMillan, Braddock, February 9, 1917.

BUTLER COUNTY.

John Murrin, Butler, February 4, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Mrs. Frances Tachovsky, Palmerton, January 28, 1917.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Miss Lydia R. Parker, West Chester, January 28, 1917.
Samuel P. Green, Kennett Square, January 29, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Miss Ella M. Snyder, Allentown, January 31, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Howard S. Stillwagon, Lower Merion Township, February 5, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Preston A. Vought, Mt. Carmel, January 30, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles H. Dalrymple Philadelphia, February 9, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

J. W. Brooks, Fawn Grove, February 4, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—49.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee, W. S.,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Magee, C. J.,	Smith, R. E.,	
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affrmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

OFFICERS AND EMPLOYES OF THE SENATE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the following persons, in addition to those previously elected, be elected officers for the session of 1917.

ASSISTANT CLERK.

William P. Gallagher, Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County.

JOURNAL CLERK.

Arthur J. Lyons, Corry, Erie County.

DESK CLERK.

John McKeown, 2218 Bainbridge Street, Philadelphia.

EXECUTIVE CLERK.

John M. Flynn, 1114 McKean Street, Philadelphia.

MESSAGE CLERK.

J. Huaer Reinoehl, Lebanon, Lebanon County.

TRANSCRIBING CLERKS.

F. Montgomery Parks, Oil City, Venango County.
L. C. Griffiths, Slatington, Lehigh County.
B. Frank Isenberg, Huntington, Huntingdon County.
Bennett F. Kiehl, Greensburg, Westmoreland County.

CHIEF ASSISTANT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

William S. Weisman, 1741 North Thirty-first Street, Philadelphia.

ASSISTANT SERGEANTS-AT-ARMS.

John J. Keffer, 200 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia.
Thomas J. Casey, 2518 Forbes Street, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.
James I. Brady, Brookville, Jefferson County.
John C. Moore, Shamokin, Northumberland County.
Benjamin P. Kerrick, Towanda, Bradford County.
George Mullen, Monaca, Beaver County.
Alf Evans, McKean County.
James W. Connolly, 208 Grantham Street, N. S., Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.

POSTMASTER.

Harry L. Kelly, Butler, Butler County.

MESSENGER.

David E. Kauffman, Rouzerville, Franklin County.

SUPERINTENDENT OF FOLDING ROOM.

Henry A. Campfield, Meadville, Crawford County.

PASTERS AND FOLDERS.

Glenn R. Hardy, McKeesport, Allegheny County.
Joseph Long, 3369 Arcadia Street, Philadelphia.
Earl Haviland, Roxborough, Philadelphia.
David G. Thomas, Mahanoy City, Schuylkill County.

CHAPLAIN.

Rev. Thomas W. Davis, 236 Morris Street, Philadelphia.

DAY WATCHMAN.

Edward Ambush, 513 South Fifteenth Street, Philadelphia.

NIGHT WATCHMAN.

Charles Murphy, 1009 Frankford Avenue, Philadelphia.

CLERKS TO COMMITTEES.

Joseph J. Skelton, Jr., Cynwyd, Montgomery County.
William G. Dick, Hites, Allegheny County.

STENOGRAPHERS TO COMMITTEES.

Frank M. Forney, Somerset, Somerset County.
A. S. Johns, Lancaster, Lancaster County.
Saul Rubinow, 611 Olive Street, Scranton, Lackawanna County.
Charles P. Townsen, West Chester, Chester County.
George W. Dunn, 3260 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.
W. A. Fisher, Lincoln Place, R. F. D. No. 1, Homestead, Allegheny County.
Robert C. Rowley, 143 Forty-first Street, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.
Charles A. Waldschmidt, 1200 Federal Street, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.

CUSTODIAN COMMITTEE ROOMS.

Frederick Thompson, Bellefonte, Centre County.

ELEVATOR OPERATOR.

Timothy Reardon, Coatesville, Chester County.

ASSISTANT ELEVATOR OPERATOR.

Bernard Samuels, 2035 South Broad Street, Philadelphia.

CUSTODIAN WASH ROOM.

Anthony Frenie, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

CUSTODIAN BASEMENT.

John E. Barr, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

CUSTODIAN NEWSPAPERMEN'S ROOM.

J. Frank Hoover, Shamokin, Northumberland County.

CHIEF PAGE.

Edward C. Smith, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

PAGES.

Flemon Kaufman, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Frederick W. Ramey, Black Lick, Indiana County.
Arthur German, Lebanon, Lebanon County.
W. Reynold Wilson, Shamokin, Northumberland County.
Walter S. Young, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Oren Mikle, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Chester Bratten, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Edward K. Cranford, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
William J. Sullivan, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Linn Storey, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Julius Freedman, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Joseph R. Longenecker, Pleasant View, Dauphin County.
J. Calvin Frank, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
John Shoemaker, Pottsville, Schuylkill County.

The PRESIDENT. I therefore declare the persons named in the resolution as having been duly elected officers and employes of the Senate for the session of 1917.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

The PRESIDENT. The President Pro Tempore announces the following appointments:

CLERK TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

M. Harvey Taylor, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

STENOGRAPHER TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

Miss C. Mabelle Dobbs, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

PAGE TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

Karl A. Lisse, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE CHIEF CLERK.

The PRESIDENT. The Chief Clerk announces the following appointments:

CHIEF OFFICIAL REPORTER.

Frank E. Ziegler, Dauphin County.

OFFICIAL REPORTERS.

John Ruth, Lebanon, Lebanon County.
E. Ross Ranck, Lancaster, Lancaster County.

EXPERT TYPEWRITERS.

Otto F. Messner, Williamstown, Dauphin County.
Alfred Jenkins, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
William T. Reynolds, Philadelphia.

CLERKS, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Robert H. Denehey, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
James Corbett, Fayette County.

PROOFREADERS, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Harry E. Earp, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.
Herman Dilsheimer, Philadelphia.

COPYHOLDERS, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Charles R. Shope, Halifax, Dauphin County.
Aaron H. Goodman, Connellsville, Fayette County.

STENOGRAPHER TO CHIEF CLERK.

Edgar Powell, Connellsville, Fayette County.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STORE ROOMS.

Edgar G. Hoffman, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

JANITORS.

Robert B. Thompson, Freeport, Armstrong County.
William Baxter, Philadelphia.
H. K. Berlin, Philadelphia.

APPOINTMENTS BY SENATE LIBRARIAN.

The PRESIDENT. The Senate Librarian announces the following appointments:

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

Alex. S. Cooper, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

STENOGRAPHERS TO LIBRARIAN.

Miss Helen E. Fox, Hummelstown, Dauphin County.
Miss Mabelle M. Wallower, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

APPOINTMENT BY THE SECRETARY.

The PRESIDENT. The Secretary of the Senate announces the following appointment:

STENOGRAPHER.

Miss Anna C. Carroll, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 3, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work to be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of townships, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," approved May 31, 1911, by providing that roads, streets or highways improved or reconstructed as State Highways in boroughs and incorporated towns shall be maintained by a State Highway Department in the same manner as State highways in townships.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 4, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 5th day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act relating to the payment of fines and costs of persons committed to prisons and lockups, and their discharge."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties; and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 6, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of the Act of Assembly approved the 28th day of March, 1907 entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the 8th day of June, A. D. 1911.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act relating to criminal procedure before aldermen, justices of the peace and magistrates in cases of certain indictable offenses; and providing for the assessment of costs in such cases upon the prosecutor, defendant or county, and the commitment of the prosecutor or defendant in case of default.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 9, entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence, and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 10, entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways in any county of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 11, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the 18th day of March, 1909, entitled "An Act relating to surety of the peace, and defining the procedure in such cases," by providing for the payment of costs by counties in certain cases.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 12, entitled

An Act to repeal an Act approved the 1st day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen, and providing penalties."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 24th day of June, 1885 (P. L. 159), entitled "An Act relative to costs in suits before aldermen and justices of the peace, and the collection of the same," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 14, entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven, of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 198), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 15, entitled

An Act relating to costs in certain cases of summary conviction before aldermen, magistrates and justices of the peace; providing for the assessment of such costs upon the prosecutor or defendant and their commitment in case of default; and providing for the payment of such costs by counties in certain cases.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 16, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the 4th day of June, 1901 (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of, contracts for work and labor to be done, and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line; canal, millrace; works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold air, or any other substance furnished to the public; well for the production of gas, oil, or other volatile or mineral substance; or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 17, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Eastern Pennsylvania, at Spring City.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 18, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the Public Debt and the Support of the Public Schools for the two fiscal years beginning June 1, 1915, and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May 31, 1915," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Judicial Departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree; repealing inconsistent legislation; and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 20, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, President-elect of the United States, to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, March 5th, 1917; and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff, and of provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 21, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Rush Hospital for Consumption and Allied Diseases, of Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 22, entitled

An Act prohibiting the construction, without consent of the owner, of public sewers and drains, over, across, through and under lands used or intended for use as a cemetery.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner desides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county road; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method or application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of the township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 24, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Bradford County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 25, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Allentown Hospital, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pa.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 26, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Home of South Bethlehem, Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 27, entitled

An Act making an apporpriation to the Homeopathic State Hospital for the Insane at Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 28, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Luke's Hospital, located at South Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 29, entitled

An Act to amend "The Public Service Company Law," approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), by creating the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Department of Internal Affairs, fixing the number of Commissioners, and their terms; making the Secretary of Internal Affairs the Chairman of the Commission; and fixing a time when the terms of the present commission shall cease.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 30, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the Secretary of Internal Affairs, as such, and as Chairman of the Public Service Commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 31, entitled

An Act to amend section 3 of an Act, approved the 2nd day of May, 1899 (P. L. 184), entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods, wares and merchandise, and providing for the collection of said tax," by changing the date of appointment and term, and providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of mercantile appraisers in cities of the first class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 32, entitled

A supplement to an act approved the 7th day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (P. L. 876), entitled "An Act regulating the legal business of the State Government, and the employment of attorneys therefor, and defining the duties of the various departments, bureaus, boards, agents and commissions in relation thereto;" conferring certain powers upon the Auditor General, State Treasurer and Secretary of Internal Affairs.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 33, entitled

An Act to amend Article six of the Act approved the 18th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 34, entitled

An Act authorizing County Commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

RECESS.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for thirty minutes.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the committee on Appropriations reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, in view of the fact that this bill has been printed and placed on the desks of the members, I ask unanimous consent that Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

be read the first time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, no objection from any of our friends. We want to see the bill printed with the prevention of perjury clause and all.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair hears no objection.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Monday, January 29, 1917, at 9 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. CROFT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 3.45 P. M. until Monday, January 29, 1917, at 9 o'clock, P. M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, January 23, 1917.

The House met at 10.00 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. F. W. Staley, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee that Thou art the creator of our bodies and the preserver of our lives. We thank Thee that Thou art our Father and that Thy Fatherhood hast been revealed to us through the person of Thine only

Begotten Son who has taught us when we pray, "Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."

We thank Thee that Thou art a prayer hearing and prayer answering Father; and Thou hast said, ask and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the Earth for thy possessions; ask and it shall be given; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be open unto you.

We ask Thy blessing upon this assemblage of men. We ask Thy benediction upon the Speaker of this House. May he so preside that he may have the approval of his own conscience and the approbation of his fellow men. Bless each member of the House and each employe; and may we so render our account that we may hear the words: "Well done, good and faithful servant. Thou hast been faithful over a few things. I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord; and unto the Father, Son and Holy Ghost we will ascribe everlasting praise in that world without end, Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Gransback the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The SPEAKER. Under the authority of the rules of the House, the Chair announces the following Standing Committees for this session. The Clerk will read the list.

The Clerk then read the list as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF PENNSYLVANIA SESSION OF 1917.

ACCOUNTS.

Messrs. Fitzgibbon, Chairman,
Dale,
Baker,
Geary,
Howarth,
Benchoff,
Coldsmith,
Davis, David F.,
Walter,
Jack,
Phillips,
Corbin,
McCurdy,
Ross,
Horne,
Ogden,
Miller, Alan D.,
Kennedy,
Wallace,
Erdman,
Barner,
Rothenberger,
Murphy,
Bell,
Leary,
Isherwood.

AGRICULTURE.

Messrs. Lohr, Chairman,
Hollingsworth,
Heyburn,
Albee,
Graham,
Pickering,
Dewey,
Lewis,
Jennings,
Speicher,
Sampsel,
Miller, Ananias David,
Smith, Edgar R.,
McPeake,
Haldeman,
Hibshman,
Marvin,
Reitzel,
Benninger,
Hollern,
Christman,
Mervine,
Rhodes,
Musser,
Bell.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Messrs. Woodward, Chairman,
Rininger,
McCaig,
Cox,
Hollingsworth,
Ramsey,
Wood,
Thomas,
Sinclair,
Perry,
Scott,
Jones, W. W.,
Smith, Jefferson W.,
Hough,
Miller, Ananias David,
Hoffman,
Sullivan,
Pickering,
Murdock,
Campbell, Theodore,
Hecht,
Vodges,
Lafferty,
Sones,
Shunk,
Boyd,
Sprowls,
McKinney,
Davis, William,
Shattuck,
Simpson,
Bechtold,
Lewis,
Morgan, Theodore,
Flynn,
Shaffer, Charles A.,
Murphy,
West,
Luppert,
Benninger.

BANKS AND BANKING.

Messrs. Swartz, Chairman,
Spangler,
Rininger,
Mangan,
Gans,
Mearkle,
Sullivan,
Shattuck,
Crosby,
Baldridge,
Simpson,
Snowden,
Sprowls,
Robertson,
Hoffman,
Walker,
Drinkhouse,
Gormley,
Wylie,
Vickerman,
Christman,
Lanius,
Burnett,
Smith, Oliver W.,
Rhodes.

BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

Messrs. Marvin, Chairman,
Snowden,
Schaeffer, Adam C.,
Wobensmith,
Howarth,
Campbell, James O.,
Phillips,
Eby,
Drinkhouse,
Vickerman,
Ogden,
Mehring,
Malie,
Mitchell,
Helt,
Benchoff,
Ross,
Morgan, Theodore,
Morgan, Thomas J.,
Patterson,
Sarig,
Donneley,
Stofflet,
Black,
Maurer.

CENTENNIAL AFFAIRS.

Messrs. Fretz, Chairman,
Albee,
Siggins,
Haight,
Eby,
McKay,
McCurdy,
Phillips,
Conner,
Howarth,
Jack,
McVickar,
Horne,
Fackler,
Helt,
Baldi,
Cook,
Fowler,
Kennedy,
Hollern,
Barner,
Sarig,
Isherwood,
Black,
Donneley,
Maurer.

ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

Messrs. McArdle, Chairman,
Palmer,
Bovee,
Campbell, Theodore,
Cox,
Dawson,
Graham,
Heyburn,
Hough,
Powell,
Snowden,
Boyd,
Haldeman,
Conner,
Aron,
Curry,
Steedle,
Rhoads,
Rich,
Gormley,
Benninger,
Strauss,
Ruddy,
Laucks,
Leary,
Stofflet.

COMPARE BILLS.

Messrs. McCullough, Chairman,
Siggins,
Goodwin,
Hibshman,
Geary,
Showalter,
Cummins,
Curry,
Jack,
Eby,
Wobensmith,
Baldi,
Ross,
McKay,
Howarth,
McCurdy,
Helt,
Snyder,
Cook,
Morgan, Thomas J.,
Murphy,
Taylor,
Barner,
Bennett,
Bell.

CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT.

Messrs. Horton, Chairman,
Woodward,
Palmer,
Bovee
Perry,
Pickering,
Richards,
Gransback,
Graham,
McKinney,
McPeake,
Neary,
Dithrich,
Boulton,
McCullogh,
Speicher,
Campbell, James O.,
Showalter,
Wobensmith,
Cummins,
Flynn,
Rinn,
Barner,
Cannon,
Leary.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM.

Messrs. Miller, Conrad G., Chairman,
Walter,
Hess,
Williams, Geo. W.,
Dell,
McKay,
Wylie,
McVicar,
Showalter
Malie,
Wallace,
Corbin,
Snyder,
Aston,
Sterling,
Cook,
Miller, Allan D.,
Rudisill,
Strauss,
Burnett,
Donneley,
Black,
Chestnut,
Stofflet,
Smith, Oliver W.

CORPORATIONS.

Messrs. Weimer, Chairman,
Wood,
Whitaker,
Scott,
Mangan,
Lauler,
Goodnough,
Miller, Conrad G.,
Brady,
Neary,
Fitzgibbon,
Davis, William,
Zanders,
Miller, Ananias David,
Ehrhardt,
Campbell, James O.,
Baldi,
Walker,
Sterling,
Wells,
Aston,
Luppert,
Rudisill,
Rothenberger,
Leary.

COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS.

Messrs. Siggins, Chairman,
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Murdock,
Thomas,
Jones,
Dawson,
Williams, John P.,
Simpson,
Lohr,
Schaeffer, Adam C.,
Robertson,
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Dithrich,
Hibshman,
Dean,
Bidelspacher,
Mitchell,
Benchoff,
Christman
Lanius,
Strauss,
Canon,
Donneley,
Mervine,
Ruddy.

EDUCATION.

Messrs. Milliron, Chairman,
Heyburn,
Hollingsworth,
Graham,
Mearkle,
Smith, Lee,
Sones,
Powell,
Hess,
Stadtlander,
Jennings,
Shattuck,
Lohr,
Lewis,
McCullough,
Speicher,
Smith, Edgar R.,
Wickman,
Brumbaugh,
Sterling,
Murphy,
Sarig.
Smith, Oliver W.,
Canon,
Wynne,
Sweitzer.

ELECTIONS.

Messrs. Palmer, Chairman,
Gransback,
Stern,
Campbell, Theodore,
Heffernan,
Smith, Jefferson W.,
Sinclair,
Sullivan,
Goodwin,
Lafferty,
Robertson,
Richards,
McNichol,
Cox,
Schaeffer, Adam C.,
Neary,
Somerman,
Crosby,
Rogers,
Arthur,
Patterson,
Mehring,
Flynn,
Shaffer, Charles A.,
Rinn.

FEDERAL RELATIONS.

Messrs. Sampsel, Chairman,
Wagner,
Woodward,
Simpson,
Rogers,
Phillips,
Brumbaugh,
Corbin,
Coldsmith,
Davis, David F.,
Drinkhouse,
Bidelspacher,
Wallace,
Kennedy,
Miller, Allan D.,
Ogden,
Cook,
Walker,
Benninger,
Holern,
Rothenberger,
Smith, Frank I.,
Black,
Ruddy,
Ringler.

FISHERIES.

Messrs. Bovee, Chairman,
Steedle,
Powell,
Thomas,
Whitaker,
Spangler,
Fretz,
Swartz,
Wood,
Sampsel,
Zanders,
Ulsh,
Robertson,
Michel,
Shattuck,
Boulton,
Boyd,
Jennings,
Gormley,
Christman,
Sweitzer,
Mervine,
Musser,
Leary,
Smith, Frank I.

FORESTRY.

Messrs. Albee, Chairman,
Scott,
Sampsel,
Wagner,
Woodward,
Weimer,
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Smith, Jefferson, W.,
Horton,
Williams, John P.,
Dewey,
Smith, Edgar R.,
Williams, Geo. W.,
Wylie,
Hoffman,
Ogden,
Fackler,
Dell,
Rhoads,
Flynn,
West,
Luppert,
Musser,
Mervine,
Sweitzer.

GAME.

Messrs. Powell, Chairman,
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Albee,
Sampsel,
Sinclair,
Milliron,
Graham,
Fretz,
Baker,
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Speicher,
Jennings,
Davis, William,
Baldridge,
Shunk,
Fitzgibbon,
Reichenbacker,
Williams, John P.,
Boyd,
Dell,
West,
Taylor,
Rhodes,
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Ringler.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Messrs. Urich, Chairman,
Miller, Conrad G.,
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McPeake,
Geary,
Williams, Geo. W.,
Howarth,
Brumbaugh,
Jack,
Fackler,
Morgan, Thomas J.,
Morgan, Theodore,
Bennett,
Malie,
Fowler,
Kennedy,
Aston,
Stites,
Rudisill,
Rothenberger,
Laucks,
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Chestnut,
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INSURANCE.

Messrs. Mearkle, Chairman,
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Sampsel,
Brady,
Davis, William,
Michel,
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Boulton,
Boyd,
McPeake,
Hibshman,
Arthur,
Cummins,
Dean,
Hecht,
Golder,
Hollern,
Erdman,
Taylor,
Ruddy.

IRON AND COAL.

Messrs. Goodnough, Chairman.
Urich,
Mangen,
Pickering,
Davis, William,
Miller, Conrad G.,
Reichenbacker,
Clements,
Ehrhardt,
Malie,
Brumbaugh,
Milner,
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Aston,
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Sterling,
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Murphy,
Ruddy,
Canon,
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Stofflet,
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Davis, William,
Miller, George J. A.,
Bouton,
Boulton,
Stadtlander,
Baldridge,
Fitzgibbon,
Dithrich,
Simpson,
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Hecht,
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Showalter,
Vickerman,
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Dewey,
Ulsh,
Neary,
Crosby,
Walter,
Stites,
Bidelspacher,
Mitchell,
Davis, David F.,
Wallace,
Miller, Allan D.,
Hollern,
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Canon.

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Sones,
Reynolds,
Dithrich,
Hough,
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Zanders,
Snowden,
McKinney,
Smith, Edgar R.,
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Glass,
Reitzel,
Snyder,
Aron,
Mehring,
Milner,
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JUDICIAL APPORTIONMENT.

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Messrs. Mangan, Chairman, Vodges, Swartz, Fretz, Albee, Baker, McKinney, Neary, Dale, Schaeffer, Adam C., Fackler, Arthur, Wylie, Rhoads, Wickman, Glass, Bechtold, Dunn, Fowler, Cummins, Shaffer, Charles A., Hollern, Sweitzer, Ringler, Maurer.

LAW AND ORDER.

Messrs. Wagner, Chairman, McCaig, Ramsey, Urich, Lauler, Goodwin, Rininger, Perry, Beyer, Gans, McArdle, Lafferty, Wood, Sampsel, Dewey, Siggins, Michel, Haight, Crosby, McVicar, Mehring, Milner, Ross, Flynn, Lanius, Leary.

LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT.

Messrs. Baldridge, Chairman, Smith, Jefferson W., Ramsey, Wood, Miller, George J. A., Miller, Ananias David, Lohr, Crosby, Clements, Wickman, Smith, Edgar R., Bechtold, Neary, Hough, Curry, Reynolds, Rhoads, Hibshman, Fackler, Walker, Dunn, Strauss, Christman, Sarig, Taylor, Ringler.

LIBRARY.

Messrs. Smith, Edgar R., Chairman, Dawson, Fitzgibbon, Williams, John P., Somerman, Walter, Coldsmith, Aron, Steedle, Shunk, Ulsh, McKay, Kennedy, Davis, David F., Horne, Bidelspacher, Mitchell, Stites, Bennett, Rudisill, Burnett, Morgan, Thomas J., Isherwood, Smith, Oliver W., Drake.

MANUFACTURES.

Messrs. Whitaker, Chairman, Pickering, McCaig, Heffernan, Sullivan, Weimer, Scott, Haight, Hough, Zanders, Rogers, Bechtold, Snowden, Sones, Haldeman, Michel, Somerman, Bouton, Cox, McNichol, Erdman, Luppert, Wynne, Laucks, Mervine.

MILITARY.

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MINES AND MINING.

Messrs. Hess, Chairman. Ramsey, Milliron, Urich, Fretz, Hollingsworth, Horton, Rininger, Albee, Robertson, Sullivan, Haight Dale, Speicher, Miller, Ananias David, Boyd Siggins, Simpson, Morgan, Theodore, Marvin, Christman, Lanius, Mervine, Rhodes, Chestnut.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

Messrs. Stadtlander, Chairman, Ramsey, Woodward, Beyer, Rininger, Sinclair, Bovee, Lauler, Markle, Spangler, McCaig, Murdock, Jones, Baker, Hollingsworth, Thomas, Heffernan, Stern, Palmer, Smith, Lee, Campbell, Theodore, Somerman, Bechtold, McNichol, Glass, Golder, Rinn.

PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES.

Messrs. Williams, John P., Chairman, Lauler, Beyer, Smith, Jefferson W., Ehrhardt, McKinney, Powell, Bouton, Vickerman, Reynolds, Coldsmith, Gormley, Showalter, Dunn, Reitzel, Miller, Allan D., Ross, Franklin, Benchoff, Snyder, Morgan, Theodore, Lanius, Taylor, Ringler, Musser.

PRINTING.

Messrs. Jennings, Chairman, Pickering, Gans, Goodnough, Graham, Brady, Haldeman, Reynolds, Schaeffer, Adam C., Dunn, McKay, Conner, Curry, Wickman, Wobensmith, Sterling, Wells, Morgan, Thomas J., Campbell, James O., Arthur, Franklin, Snyder, Sarig, Erdman, Burnett.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Messrs. Dale, Chairman, Bovee, Gans, Graham, Heffernan, Heyburn, Jones, Horton, McArdle, Richards, Smith, Lee, Hecht, Hess, McCullough, Sprowls, Steedle, Michel, Lohr, Bechtold, Bouton, Franklin, Milner, Shaffer, Charles A., Smith, Oliver W., Sarig.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION.

Messrs. Gans, Chairman, Urich, Rininger, Scott, Mearkle, Thomas, Beyer, Gransback, Sullivan, Palmer, Lafferty, Steedle, Stern, Campbell, Theodore, Miller, Ananias David, Somerman, Ulsh, Miller, Conrad G., Rogers, Sprowl, Wickman, Arthur, Rich, Shaffer, Charles A., Murphy, Benninger, Wynne, Smith, Frank I.

PUBLIC ROADS.

Messrs. Spangler, Chairman, Heyburn, Hollingsworth, Dawson Goodwin, Pickering, Milliron, Sinclair, Sones, Dale, Dewey, Williams, John P., Speicher, Lewis, Shunk, Miller, George J. A.,

McCullough, Vodges,
Miller, Conrad G., Honman,
Fitzgibbon, Williams, Geo. W.,
Haldeman Dell,
McPeake, Smith, Frank I.,
Reichenbacker, Mervine,
Dithrich, Rhodes,
Ulsh, Isherwood,
Jennings, Laucks.

RAILROADS.

Messrs. Dawson, Chairman, Shunk,
Ramsey, Clements,
Heffernan, Sprowls,
Whitaker, Hoffman,
Perry, Conner,
Mangan, Dell,
Scott, Golder,
Gans, Cummins,
McArdle, Flynn,
McCaig, Christman,
Sinclair, Drake,
Goodnough, Smith, Frank I.
Miller, George, J. A.,

RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM.

Messrs. Heyburn, Chairman, Bennett,
McNichol, Wells,
Geary, Aston,
Coldsmith Franklin,
Eby, Fowler,
Glass, Golder,
Aron, Helt,
Rich, Rothenberger,
Corbin, Chestnut,
Drinkhouse, Isherwood
Davis, David F., Drake,
Dell, Maurer.
McCurdy,

WAYS AND MEANS.

Messrs. Baker, Chairman, Somerman,
Weimer, Zanders,
Wood, Brady,
Dawson, Hough,
Goodnough, Dean,
Whitaker, Vickerman,
Murdock, Williams, George W.,
Vodges, Rhoads,
Richards, Golder,
Wickman, Rinn,
Boulton, Burnett,
Miller, George J. A., Stofflet,
Bouton, Wynne.

RECESS.

The SPEAKER. Inasmuch as there does not appear to be any further business at this time, and as it is necessary for this House to meet in joint session with the Senate at 12 o'clock for the purpose of counting the vote for Auditor General and State Treasurer, the House will therefore take a recess until 11.30.

AFTER RECESS.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to refer the following bills which have been filed with the Chief Clerk.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 1.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 2.

An Act to amend sections seventy-five and one hundred and seventy-seven of the act entitled "An Act to Consolidate, Revise and Amend the Penal Laws of this Commonwealth," approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty (P. L. 382); by abolishing capital punishment in cases of murder of the first degree.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 3.

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WELLS. House Bill No. 4.

An Act to amend sections seventy-five and one hundred and seventy-seven of the act, approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty (P. L. 382); entitled "An Act to Consolidate, Revise and Amend the Penal Laws of this Comomnwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WELLS. House Bill No. 5.

An Act to repeal the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 528), entitled "An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree; regulating the procedure incident to the infliction thereof; prescribing and providing for a place and manner of inflicting said penalty on the grounds of the new Western Penitentiary of this Commonwealth, in Centre County; making an appropriation therefor; repealing inconsistent legislation; and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act," and making provision for pending cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WELLS. House Bill No. 6.

An Act to repeal section seventy-six of the act approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty (P. L. 427), entitled "An Act to Consolidate, Revise and Amend the Laws of this Commonwealth relating to Penal Proceedings and Pleadings," and making provision for pending cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 7.

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 8.

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, buroughs, townships, school districts and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 9.

An Act making an appropriation to the Woman's Southern Homeopathic Hospital of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WYLIE. House Bill No. 10.

An Act making an appropriation to the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 11.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Aged Veterans and Wives, located at Sixty-fifth and Vine Streets, in the City of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 12.

An Act making an apprporiation to the Chester Hospital, in the City of Chester, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THOMAS. House Bill No. 13.

An Act relative to the carrying, use and sale of dangerous weapons.

Referred to the Judiciary Local Committee.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 14.

An Act to repeal section five hundred and sixty of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 15.

An Act providing what shall constitute prima facie evidence of negligence in the operation of a motor vehicle.

Referred to the Judiciary Local Committee.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 16.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section fifteen of article five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 17.

An Act authorizing cities of the second and third classes to engage in the business of farming including dairy farming and vesting certain powers in said cities in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 18.

An Act authorizing cities of the second and third classes to procure and sell milk to the inhabitants thereof and vesting certain powers in said cities in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 19.

An Act providing for the establishment of an Old Age Assistance Bureau to be conducted under the supervision of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry.

Referred to the Judiciary Local Committee.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 20.

An Act making an appropriation to the Adrian Hospital of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 21.

An Act making an appropriation to the Memorial Home of Brookville, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 22.

An Act making an appropriation to the Punxsutawney Hospital of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 23.

An Act authorizing Township Commissioners and Township Supervisers to adopt certain roads, streets and highways as Public Roads; and providing for their maintenance, improvement and repair.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 24.

An Act making an appropriation to the Sewickley Valley Hospital Association, Incorporated, of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 25.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the Phoenixville Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 26.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for the Feeble Minded of Eastern Pennsylvania, at Spring City.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 27.

An Act making an appropriation to the Commissioners of Valley Forge Park.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 28.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Epileptic Hospital and Colony Farm, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 29.

An Act making an appropriation to the Homeopathic Hospital of Chester County, located at West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 30.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the Coatesville Hospital, Coatesville, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WEST. House Bill No. 31.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Danville, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WEST. House Bill No. 32.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Danville, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 33.

An Act to amend Section 10 of an Act entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of the State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioners and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligations and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieve said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work to be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid Highways, and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuries or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the Act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith;

and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," approved May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred eleven, by providing that roads, streets or highways improved or reconstructed as State Highways in boroughs and incorporated towns shall be maintained by a State Highway Department in the same manner as State Highways in townships.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 34.

An Act to safeguard public life, safety and property by regulating the operation of certain steam engines and steam boilers; establishing and regulating in the Department of Labor and Industry a system of licensing engineers; prescribing certain duties of owners and operators of such engines and boilers and certain duties of the courts of common pleas in connection therewith; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 35.

An Act making an appropriation to the Glen Mills Schools in the Eastern District of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McKAY. House Bill No. 36.

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree, and vesting certain discretionary powers in the court and in the jury in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 37.

An Act to amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act, approved the seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding, to carry out the provisions of section twelve, article three of the Constitution, in relation to the public printing and binding, and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Printing.

By Mr. RINN. House Bill No. 38.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Luke's Hospital, located at South Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINN. House Bill No. 39.

An Act to provide for the abolition of railroad grade crossings; prescribing the procedure; and imposing the costs on the railroad companies, and on the city, borough, town or township.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 40.

An Act amending an act approved the twelfth day of July, A. D. 1913, entitled, "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process, or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 41.

An Act establishing a State Athletic Commission and regulating boxing and sparring, defining its powers and duties, and fixing penalties for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 42.

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February, A. D. 1875, entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of Magistrate Courts in the City of Philadelphia."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 43.

An Act to provide for the officers and enlisted men who served in the Army or Navy of the United States during the Spanish War and Philippine Insurrection and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 44.

An Act for the relief of the needy blind; establishing a county fund and imposing a county tax therefor; imposing certain powers and duties on the county commissioners; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WALKER. House Bill No. 45.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment of a Commission to arrange for an International Exposition to be held in Philadelphia in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six in celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of American Independence.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO ESCORT SENATE.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints the following Committee to notify the Senate that the House is ready to meet in joint session to compute the vote for the election of an Auditor General and State Treasurer at 12 o'clock noon: Messrs. Rininger, Sinclair and Wynne. The committee will notify the Senate that the House will be ready to meet them at 12 o'clock noon, and escort the Senate to the Hall of the House.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to announce for the benefit of the new members that on Monday they will find on their desks what is called the pink calendar. This calendar will give you notice of where all the bills introduced during the session are, and to what committees they have been referred, so that it is not so important to know exactly where the chair is referring them, or what the title and contents of the bills are. I merely say this for the benefit of the new members because I think they would like to know what the titles are. They will soon learn that these immediately appear on their desks, when they can examine them at their leisure. The Chair would like to say to the Chairmen of the various committees that it is important that you give careful consideration to the bills that you have in your committees while in committee. If there are any amendments to be made, in your judgment, to the bills, it is considered a courtesy to the member who introduced it to notify him to come before you and explain what his desires are, or what his aim is in the bill. The Chair feels that it is really of more importance to see that the legislation that passes through the House is carefully considered, and does not duplicate legislation that is already on the statutes. The Chair himself feels that it is not the great volume of bills that passes through the House that indicates that the House has been working and doing its duty; rather that the care be given to the bills, because if the bills are carefully considered in committee, it relieves the conditions on the floor of the House. If the bills come from the committee carefully prepared, and the Chairman, or some other member of the committee, or the author of the bill can clearly, in a few words, explain to the House the purpose and the nature of the bill, you will find that the time of the House will be very much economized. Therefore I do hope that the Chairmen of the various committees will be very careful to thoroughly understand the nature of the bills that they report to the House and that some one will be able to explain them, and that the Chairmen will be able to say when called upon that they have found that they are not duplications of the present law.

SENATE RECEIVED BY HOUSE TO COUNT VOTES FOR STATE OFFICES.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the return to the Hall of the Committee appointed on the part of the House to escort the Senate to the Hall of the House.

JOINT SESSION.

The SPEAKER. The time having arrived for the joint session of the Senate and House, members of the Senate will be seated, and Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain and President Pro Tempore E. E. Beidleman will come to the chair.

Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain presided.

TELLERS' REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT SESSION OF SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE OPENING, COUNTING AND PUBLISHING OF VOTE FOR TREASURER AND AUDITOR GENERAL.

Mr. Edgar R. Smith, Teller on the part of the House, and Mr. Endsley, Teller on the part of the Senate, made a report, which was read as follows:

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, having taken the chair, and Mr. Endsley, the Teller on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Edgar R. Smith, Teller on the part of the House, having taken their respective places, the Hon. Frank B. McClain, President of the Senate, addressed the Joint Session as follows:

"By the provisions of the Constitution it becomes the duty of the President of the Senate to open and publish in the presence of the members of both Houses, the official returns for the election of State Treasurer and Auditor General, held on Tuesday next following the first Monday being the seventh day of November, 1916, in the City of Philadelphia and the several counties of the Commonwealth.

"I will now proceed to perform that duty. The election returns will be read by the clerks and the results recorded by the tellers."

The said returns were accordingly opened and read by the clerks of the respective houses as follows:

(For tables showing returns, see to-day's Senate proceedings.)

Whereupon the President of the Senate announced that Harmon M. Kephart having received the highest number of votes was duly elected State Treasurer for the term of four years from the first Tuesday in May Anno Domini nineteen hundred and seventeen; and that Charles A. Snyder having received the highest number of votes was duly elected Auditor General for the term of four years from the first Tuesday in May Anno Domini nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Four certificates were signed in each case as follows, viz:

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1917, in the hall of the House of Representatives, at the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for State Treasurer of this Commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature, conformably to the provisions of the Constitution and laws of said Commonwealth, and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed by each House, it appears that Harmon M. Kephart had the highest number of votes.

Whereupon,

The said Harmon M. Kephart was declared duly elected State Treasurer. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above mentioned.

(Signed) FRANK B. McCLAIN,
President of the Senate.

RICHARD J. BALDWIN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JAMES W. ENDSLEY,
Teller on the Part of the Senate.

EDGAR R. SMITH,
Teller on the Part of the House of Representatives.

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the twenty-third day of January, A. D. nineteen hundred and seventeen, in the hall of the House of Representatives, at the State Capitol, open the returns of election for Auditor General of this Commonwealth and publish the same in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature conformably to the provisions of the Constitution and laws of said Commonwealth, and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed by each House it appears that Charles A. Snyder had the highest number of votes.

Whereupon,

The said Charles A. Snyder was declared duly elected Auditor General. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above mentioned.

(Signed) FRANK B. McCLAIN,
President of the Senate.

RICHARD J. BALDWIN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JAMES W. ENDSLEY,
Teller on the Part of the Senate.

EDGAR R. SMITH,
Teller on the Part of the House of Representatives.

The PRESIDENT. Having no further business the Chair declares that this Joint Session of the Senate and the House adjourn and the Senators will return to their Chamber.

THE HOUSE RECONVENES.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

SENATE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal as follows:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, January 23 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Legislature adourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, January twenty-ninth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease for just a few moments. We have a little further business to transact.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. WOODWARD offered a resolution which was read by the Clerk as follows:

Resolved, That the following persons be declared elected for the respective positions herein indicated:

ASSISTANT CLERK.

J. Edward Brackney, Allegheny County.

JOURNAL CLERK.

Fred. C. MacDonald, Chester County.

ASSISTANT JOURNAL CLERK.

Salvatore DiPierre, Luzerne County.

READING CLERK.

Geo. F. J. Falkenstein, Allegheny County.

ASSISTANT READING CLERK.

Quay Hewitt, Jefferson County.

DESK CLERKS.

J. E. Higgins, Schuylkill County.
Harry Hutchinson, Allegheny County.

MESSAGE CLERK.

J. Porter Wilson, Butler County.

TRANSCRIBING CLERKS.

William Hancock, Northumberland County.
Charles Sampsel, Snyder County.
Hubert E. Burchfield, Blair County.
Joseph L. Myers, Washington County.
James M. Thomas, Venango County.
Fred. Spreen, Allegheny County.
John C. Weller, Somerset County.
Louis Schick, Philadelphia County.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Daniel E. Hannihan, Allegheny County.

CHIEF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Samuel Curran, Philadelphia County.

ASSISTANT SERGEANTS-AT-ARMS.

Charles S. Sands, Montgomery County.
W. John Barkle, Bucks County.
L. H. Mease, Lancaster County.
James F. Donegan, Philadelphia County.
Ellis P. Williams, Lehigh County.
John Kocher, Allegheny County.
George Offenbacker, Erie County.
Samuel Heim, Philadelphia County.
Charles Oliver, Lebanon County.
John R. Musser, Cambria County.
William Bleiel, Allegheny County.
George F. Schroeder, York County.
J. W. Coit, McKean County.
John Mattimore, Westmorland County.
James McGettigan, Philadelphia County.
Robert Conlin, Philadelphia County.

POSTMASTER.

William Ritchy, Fayette County.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTER.

W. H. Heath, Allegheny County.

MESSENGER.

John J. Lynch, Philadelphia County.

ASSISTANT MESSENGERS.

Sylvester Ritchey, Bedford County.
William S. Downer, Washington County.
Winfield S. H. Whiston, Allegheny County.

SUPERINTENDENT OF FOLDING ROOM.

James M. Wiggins, Warren County.

PASTERS AND FOLDERS.

William Hillgrove, Allegheny County.
Charles Dever, Philadelphia County.
Thomas F. Hart, Lackawanna County.
Peter Ferguson, Centre County.
Harry Myers, Philadelphia County.
J. O'Malley, Philadelphia County.
Harry Keller, Philadelphia County.
William Bothwell, Allegheny County.

CHAPLAIN.

Rev. S. G. Zerfass, Lancaster County.

CHIEF WATCHMAN.

Edward Braceland, Philadelphia County.

NIGHT WATCHMAN.

William Houser, Dauphin County.

CLERKS TO COMMITTEE.

B. H. Luker, Armstrong County.
Louis Aronson, Allegheny County.
Frank Crago, Clearfield County.

STENOGRAPHERS.

Arthur Ireland, Allegheny County.
George L. Williams, Crawford County.
Daniel Aird, Bradford County.
Charles L. Thomas, Lackawanna County.
William T. Bell, Allegheny County.
D. Van DeBoe, Potter County.
C. E. Job, Indiana County.
William R. Magill, Philadelphia County.
George J. Anderson, Allegheny County.
Oscar Baird, Philadelphia County.

CUSTODIANS COMMITTEE ROOM.

James V. James, Luzerne County.
John Mathews, Allegheny County.

ELEVATOR OPERATOR.

A. B. Garner, Schuylkill County.

ASSISTANT ELEVATOR OPERATOR.

James Delphy, Allegheny County.

CUSTODIAN WASH ROOM.

George A. Gardner, Philadelphia County.

JANITORS.

Edward Marshall, Cameron County.
William Lambeck, Philadelphia County.
Ferdinand DiStefano, Philadelphia County.
Russell Harvey, Carbon County.

CHIEF PAGE.

Clarence E. Seiler, Dauphin County.

PAGES.

Joseph Lutz, Potter County.
Charles Leese, York County.
Frank Collins, Fayette County.
Joseph Garner, Dauphin County.
George S. Pensyl, Dauphin County.
Francis Powers, Dauphin County.
Albert Craig, Dauphin County.
John McGuire, Dauphin County.
Ralph Stouffer, Dauphin County.
Norman Fisher, Dauphin County.
Oscar Cohen, Dauphin County.
Bertram Katz, Dauphin County.
Hilman Brenner, Dauphin County.
Porter Jeffries, Dauphin County.
Edgar W. McCrone, Dauphin County.
Harry Hain, Dauphin County.
John Batis, Philadelphia County.
Charles L. Johnston, Lancaster County.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

1st Congressional District—
Daniel J. Neary, 2315 South Street, Philadelphia.

2nd Congressional District—
Jefferson W. Smith, 706 Green Street, Philadelphia.

3rd Congressional District—
Joseph H. McArdle, 1070 N. Front Street, Philadelphia.

4th Congressional District—
Sigmund J. Gans, 1413 Westmoreland Street, Philadelphia

5th Congressional District—
Samuel J. Perry, 3014 Salmon Street, Philadelphia.

6th Congressional District—
Theodore Campbell, 6312 Overbrook Avenue, Philadelphia.

7th Congressional District—
Samuel A. Whitaker, Phoenixville, Penna.

8th Congressional District—
James S. Boyd, Norristown, Montgomery County.

9th Congressional District—
Aaron B. Hess, Lancaster, Lancaster County.

10th Congressional District—
William W. Jones, Olyphant, Lackawanna County.

11th Congressional District—
David W. Thomas, Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County.

12th Congressional District—
Cyrus M. Palmer, Pottsville, Schuylkill County.

13th Congressional District—
George J. A. Miller, Slatington, Lehigh County.

14th Congressional District—
W. Worth Jennings, Towanda, Bradford County.

15th Congressional District—
Henry T. Albee, Galeton, Potter County.

16th Congressional District—
Wm. W. Robertson, Mount Carmel, Northumberland County.

17th Congressional District—
James W. Sampsel, Penns Creek, Snyder County.

18th Congressional District—
Joshua W. Swartz, Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

19th Congressional District—
James E. Rininger, Altoona, Blair County.

20th Congressional District—
Robert S. Spangler, York, York County.

21st Congressional District—
Harry B. Scott, Philipsburg, Centre County.

22nd Congressional District—
Victor B. Bouton, New Kensington, Westmoreland County.

23rd Congressional District—
Duncan Sinclair, Brownsville, Fayette County.

24th Congressional District—
Geo. Plummer Baker, Washington, Washington County.

25th Congressional District—
June R. Bovee, Erie, Erie County.

26th Congressional District—
Harry Zanders, Mauch Chunk, Carbon County.

27th Congressional District—
Miles A. Milliron, Kittanning, Armstrong County.

28th Congressional District—
Daniel B. Goodwin, Oil City, Venango County.

29th Congressional District—
Edward M. Hough, 2535 Perrysville, N. S. Pittsburgh.

30th Congressional District—
James F. Woodward, McKeesport, Allegheny County.

31st Congressional District—
William J. McCaig, 3617 Butler Street, Pittsburgh.
32nd Congressional District—
William C. Wagner, Mt. Oliver, Allegheny County.
Committee.

Mr. WOODWARD. I move the election of the gentlemen nominated in the resolution.

Mr. STERN. I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO EMPLOYES AND OFFICERS.

At the request of the Speaker, the persons present who were elected and appointed as officers and employes of the House presented themselves at the Bar of the House and the oath of office, as required by law, was administered to them by the Speaker.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. CURRY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 1.15 P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, January 29th, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, January 29, 1917.

The Senate met at 9.00 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our kind Heavenly Father, we pray Thee to help us to listen to that voice which is always calling us to the higher ideals and the larger visions that have confronted us from time to time. Whatever lives we are living to-day we will have to carry with us later on and they will go through life with us as long as we live. We pray Thee to so guide us that we may find it our greatest pleasure to live and let live and help our fellow-men whenever we can. We ask in our Saviour's name, Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SALUS, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced presented communications in writing from his Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid upon the table.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Clarion, Mr. Hindman, on account of sickness.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 35, entitled

An Act to provide for certain improvements to that certain tract of land known as the "Paoli Parade Ground," situate in Malvorn Borough, Chester County, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 36, entitled

An Act regulating the deposit of moneys belonging to the several counties of the Commonwealth in the banking institutions thereof, and providing for the collection of interest thereon.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the 24th day of July, A. D. 1913 (P. L. 1018), entitled: "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract, to repair, build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars," by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than one thousand dollars.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. HALDEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 38, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the expenses required by an act entitled "An Act to provide for the continuance of the education and maintenance of the destitute orphans of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines, and the destitute children of permanently disabled soldiers, sailors and marines of the State," approved May 25, 1889; also making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of an act to provide for the education and maintenance of the children admitted to the Pennsylvania Soldiers' Orphan Industrial School and the Soldiers' Orphans School approved May 27, 1893.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 39, entitled

An Act giving preferences to claims for rent in cases of bankruptcy and insolvency proceedings against tenants.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. RAYMOND E. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 40, entitled

An Act providing for the deepening, widening and improvement of French Creek, in Crawford County, vesting certain powers in the Water Supply Commission including the taking of land and materials by eminent domain, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 41, entitled

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act, entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates," approved the 8th day of April, 1833, and the amendments thereto.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act authorizing a married woman to make conveyances of her real estate without her husband joining therein, where the husband has, by agreement duly executed and acknowledged, released his courtesy right, or such right or estate as he may have, or may inherit after the death of his wife, in said real estate, whether he has in said release undertaken and agreed to join in a deed or deeds for the conveyance of said real estate or not, and validating all such conveyances heretofore made.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CROFT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 43, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Eagleville Sanatorium for Consumptives, located at Eagleville, Montgomery County.

Which was committeed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. WASBERS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 44, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the York Society to Protect Children and Aged Persons, formerly the Christian Home, of York, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 45, entitled

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of York and Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. J. FRANK GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 46, entitled

An Act to prevent the manufacture, sale, offering or exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell adulterated or misbranded alcoholic and intoxicating liquors; imposing certain powers and duties on the Dairy and Food Commissioner, and prescribing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. STEWART read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 47, entitled

An Act prescribing a method for disbursing certain appropriations to charitable institutions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 48, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Hospital, Sisters of Charity, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. HACKETT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Court.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 50, entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts of the several counties of the State, by providing suitable clerical assistance.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 51, entitled

An Act authorizing the Courts of Common Pleas to fix the compensation of the Prothonotary and assistants in computing the election returns. Also the Congressional Return Judge in districts comprised of more than one county.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judicial General.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products; and prescribing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 53, entitled

An Act authorizing trustees, guardians, and other fiduciaries, to sell, assign, alter, modify or supplement coal mining leases, with the approval of the Court having jurisdiction of their accounts.

Which was committed to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 54, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital, at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 55, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate; and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 56, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for Pittston Hospital Association, of Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 58, entitled

At Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such reminders" approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of 1863 and its amendment of 1897 of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. SEMMENS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 59, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Sewickley Valley Hospital Association, incorporated, of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 60, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Western Temporary Home of Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 61, entitled

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. PLYMOUTH W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 62, entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the eleventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health, by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for feed, as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof, approved the eleventh day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food, within the meaning of said act; and providing penalties for the violation thereof," providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, copartnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of separating good from bad eggs by the candling process, or of breaking eggs and using the content thereof; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purposes of analysis; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. WILBUR P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 63, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 507), entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes, and, in cities co-extensive with counties, for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of the same; providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith; and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. NASON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 64, entitled

An Act making it unlawful to obtain money, merchandise, property, credit, or anything of value by means of a check, draft or order for the payment of money where the maker or drawer has not sufficient funds in or credit with the bank, depository, person, copartnership, association or corporation for the payment of the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 65, entitled

An Act relating to desertion and non-support, and directing imprisonment at hard labor in certain cases; providing for the payment of certain sums of money by either the institution wherein the dependent is confined or the respective county for the support of dependents; providing for the appointment of desertion probation officers and for their salaries and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bail bonds, bonds, or recognizances; and providing for the payment by the county of the salaries and expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 66, entitled

Joint Resolution requiring semi-state and private charitable institutions to furnish to the Legislature a detailed statement showing how all moneys received by such institutions during the years one thousand nine hundred fifteen and one thousand nine hundred sixteen were expended, and denying aid to institutions failing to comply with this resolution.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McNICHOL, for Mr. Beidleman, read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 67, entitled

An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint a Commission to purchase for public park purposes the site occupied by Camp Curtin during the Civil War; providing for the purchase and erection of a suitable monument or memorial; conferring certain powers on the Commission, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appripriations.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 18, entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June 1, 1915, and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May 31, 1915," and approved the 16th day of June, A. D., 1915, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Judicial Departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOR INFORMATION FROM ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

Mr. DAIX offered the following resolution which was twice read, and referred to the Committee on appropriations:

In the Senate, January 29th, 1917.

Whereas, The General Appropriation Bill enacted by the General Assembly of 1915 provided money in accordance with Section fifteen of Article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, The appropriation period covered by the General Appropriation Bill of 1915 will expire on May 31, 1917;

Therefore, Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed to furnish not later than March 1, 1917, the following information:

First: Items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

Second: The amount expended from each appropriation between June 1, 1915, and December 31, 1916.

Third: The estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR IN RELATION TO SENATE BILL NO. 1.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, We have just received a communication from the Governor. Would it not be well before we commence to-night and fair to open that communication in the order of good business, and read it over, and if it pertains to any bill or resolution that we are considering to-night, then lay it before the Senate for its consideration. If it does not pertain to any resolution that we are considering tonight, then, of course, it does not make any difference when we hear from it.

Mr. PRESIDENT. I move that the Governor's message be considered at this time.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The communication from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, was then read as follows and laid upon the table:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: My attention has been directed to the Joint Resolution, known as Number 1, Senate File, Session of 1917, introduced by Senator Sproul, in place, January 22, 1917, and now before your honorable body for consideration.

I have no intention or desire to encroach in any way upon the prerogatives and services of the General Assembly or upon either branch thereof. On the contrary, I recognize these prerogatives and respect them. But I assume that in due time this Joint Resolution may reach me for my official action, and in order to save time and to accomplish as speedily as possible a proper investigation of any and all activities and acts of the Executive Department of the State government, I beg to invite now your considerate attention to some matters which I submit are of consequence in accomplishing the good that any investigation should have at heart.

I court and invite the widest and fullest investigation of my official acts and of those of all associated with me in public service. I wish only that this investigation be so free, so fair, so impartial and so thorough as to establish definitely the truth or untruth of any charges that may be made.

The Constitution and the laws contemplate a full, free, fair investigation if any be authorized by the General Assembly. We unhesitatingly invite such investigation. The Resolution referred to is vague, indefinite and opens the way to investigate endlessly all state officers and all city, county, borough and township officials, together with such individuals as the contemplated committee may elect to consider or investigate. The Resolution ought in simple fairness to be so phrased as to indicate in some definite manner what departments and what specific functions should be in-

vestigated. I beg further to submit that such investigation should follow only in cases where some credible authority makes charges or indicates that such investigation is necessary. This should be clearly set forth. Nor does this Resolution hold any evidence to the people of Pennsylvania that this is other than a factional contest from which no essential good can flow to the people of this Commonwealth.

Final report of this Commission should in justice to all be made at this session of the Assembly, that proper action may be taken by the Assembly and the Executive to safeguard the general welfare.

If in your wisdom you so desire I shall at any time confer with the President of your body, the Speaker of the House or any committee you may designate to consider what constitutes a fair, a free, a frank and an impartial procedure.

Yours very respectfully,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

The resolution was read as follows:

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That a joint committee consisting of three (3) members of the Senate, one of whom shall be of a minority political party to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and four (4) members of the House, one of whom shall be a minority political party, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, be created for the purpose of making a full, free, unobstructed, comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges, and

Be it Further Resolved, That said joint committee is hereby directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor to hold such and as many hearings as it may deem necessary, to summon witnesses to further the purposes of this investigation, to issue subpoenas, administer oaths and compel the attendance of such witnesses, and the production of all such books, bills, checks, checkbooks, papers, minutes, records, vouchers, agreements and all each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent or germain to the inquiry, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the said joint committee shall be vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and all Acts of Assembly can confer upon such committee for the accomplishment of its purposes, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the said joint committee shall be authorized to employ auditors, accountants, counsel learned in the law, stenographers, clerks, messengers, investigators and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon said committee and to further the inquiry by them to be made, the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate is hereby directed to attend said joint committee, to serve all subpoenas issued by it and generally to enforce all the orders which said joint committee is hereby authorized to make, and

Be it Further Resolved, That said joint committee shall from time to time report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as the members deem expedient, to the end that proper legislation may be enacted to remedy and prevent such abuse as may be found to exist and that said joint committee shall also be empowered to certify to the prosecuting officer or officers of the proper jurisdiction the proceedings of the committee, setting forth any violation or violations of law committed within their respective jurisdiction for such action as the law provides, and

Be it Further Resolved, That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person giving evidence before said joint committee tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in the corrupt practices above mentioned should be indicated and prosecuted for the offense disclosed by such evidence or admission so given or made by him or her, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically provided to defray the expenses necessarily incurred by said joint committee in the discharge of the duties imposed upon it, and that payment shall be made on order of the Chairman of said joint committee and on warrant of the Auditor General in the manner now prescribed by law.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, in view of the communication just received from the Governor, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of this resolution be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, if I am in order, I would like to give my reasons at this time. There can be no harm in postponing this resolution until to-morrow. The Senate will probably meet to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, and by that time, the parties in interest may get together and agree that the message of the Governor is after all the proper and real solution of this question. I hold no brief for any man. I ask for the forgiveness of no man. If any wrong has been committed in this Commonwealth, it is your duty and mine to see that that wrong is corrected, and that right should be done, not only to those who are charged, but to the entire citizenship of this Commonwealth. Every man, woman and child, all the eight million of them, are entitled to know whether we here assembled to-night are playing fair with ourselves and with our constituents. If we are playing fair with those who are holding office, and if after that investigation, if it be fair and impartial, and any man is found to hold a public office in this Commonwealth, who has done wrong, this present General Assembly ought to know it and such action taken as is fitting to the crime that may have been committed, or the wrong that may have been done. When you have such an open, frank, manly statement made, as the one just made by your chief executive officer, that he invites an investigation, so long as you play fair with those who you are going to investigate, how else can any fair minded man vote except to at least be given a fair opportunity to see what is intended by this resolution. As I look at this resolution it seems to me as it now stands, that this thing is tainted with political leprosy, that it is not an honest, that it is not a fair, that it is not a righteous measure, and is not anything that the citizenship of this Commonwealth can be benefitted by. It is presented in this form by a man—I don't know just how to express it—by a man whom I regard as one of Pennsylvania's noblest citizens; by a man who, I feel, would do injustice to no man, and would play fair with every movement and everything that might be done under a resolution, if he believed it was honest and fair, and reading what he said when he presented this resolution, I believe that he believes that it is not an honest resolution, and I want to read it to you."

"Mr. Sproul. Mr. President, I desire to state, in presenting this resolution, as I offer it in the full knowledge that, should it become a law, I cannot accept a place upon the Commission which it creates even though I should be tendered such a post. Other duties here and elsewhere will absolutely prevent my giving this matter the time and attention which it will require. I am asking for the passage of this resolution as a matter of duty to the people of the State, to this Legislature and to the party to which I belong, as well as with the desire to give any one who has been unjustly accused or criticised an opportunity to set himself right."

Mr. President, I do not feel that that is a full statement, because there is no man in Pennsylvania more so than the Senator who offered this resolution who would sacrifice his time, his own business interests, his own welfare, more readily than the man who presented that resolution, and I believe down in the inner recesses of his heart, he feels as I feel, that it is not playing fair, it is not an open, frank resolution, and it does not say what it really wants to do. What is this resolution? What does it say as it now stands, and whom does it intend to investigate? Who knows? Nobody knows by reading it. If it is going to be used to investigate the brewers, who are now under indictment, if it is going to be used for that, we are all for it. Is it going to be used to investigate the powerful railroads of Pennsylvania, who are now the dominating power in this Commonwealth, if it is going to be used to investigate these people, well and good, but let them say so. Is it going to be used to investigate the sixty-one members of the House of Representatives who a certain manufacturer openly and broadly stated that he financed their campaigns—if it is going to be used for that purpose, well and good, we are all for it; and why, as we stand here, were those sixty-one members elected? Were they elected by this one man for the purpose of taking from our statute books any laws passed at the last session of this legislature which were unfair and unjust, and a detriment to the citizenship of this Commonwealth? If they are, all right, let them investigate and let

us take those laws from the statute books. Or were they elected for the purpose of taking from our statute books the Child Labor Law, that has done so much good for the people of this Commonwealth and placed this Commonwealth where it stands? Are they going to try to repeal the Workmen's Compensation Law passed by the last session of the Legislature, because it is not a fit law to be on the statute books? If it is let us investigate. Or is this resolution one that is going to be used to blackjack into submission those of us who will not stand up and be dictated to by the powers that now control this Commonwealth? I want to say to you members that the regime of the late Matthew Stanley Quay and of his cohorts is slowly, slowly passing, not only from this Commonwealth, but from every Commonwealth in these great United States, and the political game from now on will have to be played along new lines. You will have to if you want to remain in the game, play it with the people, the rule and the reign of the people is on you, and those of you who do not heed the warning are going to go back to your homes never to be heard of again. The individual workman and the farmer and the individual citizen must rule this Commonwealth as they rule the other Commonwealths. Gentlemen, unless this Commission is fair, unless this investigation is right, every man that touches it one way or the other will be sorry for the moment that he does it. You can take your minds back to the old Catlin Commission, if you will, and I hate to talk about it, but I want to bring warning to the new men that if you do not want to pay the penalty to your constituents, heed the warning tonight. The Catlin Commission went back to their people at the election and were repudiated. Time heals many things, and time healed for some of them, whether for the new Commission time will heal for you if you do not heed the warning I do not know, but one thing I do say to you, do not be a part and party to a political blackjacking game, but play it fair, play it honest and let us not have a Commission and go; but let us have one that must perform its duty and answer here to us at this session not one that will be raising abuses and slandering people and accomplishing nothing. If it is going to be a commission that is honest, if that is the purpose, let us have one that will make every man that has committed a wrong pay and pay now, not two years from now, pay now and here his price, for all he has done. I for one am not going to try to forgive any man who has done an injustice to the people of this Commonwealth, and I ask you to allow this measure to go over until to-morrow in order that we might find out whether or not this body in all its grandeur, the lawmaking and the powerful body that it is, may give the citizenship of Pennsylvania once and all an investigating committee that will do its work, and do it now and bring any wrongdoer to justice.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, if I am in order, in replying to my friend, the Senator from Philadelphia, on the question of the postponing of the consideration of this bill, I would like to say that I dislike very much to disillusionize my good friend from Philadelphia. I appreciate the friendship shown in his remarks and the friendship shown by long association, and I only wish that I had the power of eloquence which he possesses, that I might explain how thoroughly in earnest I am in this matter and how thoroughly necessary for the welfare of the State I believe the adoption of this resolution is, just exactly as it stands. To set the Senator aright in another matter, if I were a lawyer like he is and were accustomed to procedure such as is necessary in the transaction of this business, nothing would please me better than to be Chairman of this Commission, because neither in my time nor at any other time, so far as I am aware, in the history of the State, has such a Commission been so necessary. Talk about political blackjacking; talk about blackjacking, indeed! Has anybody in the history of Pennsylvania ever seen such a condition as prevailed prior to the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives only four short weeks ago? Has anybody seen such bullyragging and dragooning and prostitution of the Departments of the State government and such an invasion of the powers and rights and privileges of the members of this Legislature as was shown then? Has anybody ever before seen the officers of this State, the officials who are paid by the people of Pennsylvania to come here and do their duty, sent around on miserable errands of intimidation to say the least, to bring about votes for a certain faction? I want to say to you Philadelphia Senators and to every one else in Philadelphia right now, that this factional row in Philadelphia is not the business of the people of Pennsylvania, and I for one, although I live in an adjoining county, am sick and tired of it, and I believe the people of this State are heartily tired of having their politics submerged in this factional row in Philadelphia. I do not care whose fight it is, or anything about it, and I want to say for the county I represent that our people even the commuters, who go to Philadelphia every day, drop their city politics when they cross the county line and I may say that Philadelphia factional politics does not get over that county line by half an inch. The man who lives in the first house in my county, takes an interest in his own county politics and forgets the Philadelphia fusses the minute he leaves the city.

This investigation is brought about by the bringing of the state government into the Philadelphia factional politics, and nothing else. The unfortunate man—and I say it in sorrow—who sits at the other end of this building in his official capacity, has been brought into his present condition of mind and reputation in this state simply because he has allowed himself to be drawn into this mess and has become the tool and creature of Philadelphia factional politics. Talk about factional politics being played fairly! Was there ever such a condition?

Now about the purposes of this resolution, I think they are clearly stated, and I do not consider that the Governor of this Commonwealth—and in my time it has not happened before—is playing his part of the duties of managing this great state when he offers a gratuitous affront, almost, to the presiding officers and the membership of this body by insinuating that the President pro tem. of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives cannot appoint a fair commission. Why the bill itself provides that the minority party shall be represented and if the presiding officers, who have been chosen by the members of these bodies, by overwhelming majority in one case, and unanimously almost in the other—if they have not the justice in them, and the judgment, to appoint the right kind of a commission, it is a pity that any of us have been elected here to sit in this Senate. So far as the investigation is concerned, I want to see it fair, square, honorable and honest, and want to say I believe it will be; and if it is necessary to investigate the brewers or the great railroads, or the Bell Telephone Company, or the paving trust, or the electric combination, or any other combination which is playing politics in Pennsylvania, I am willing to plow to the end of the furrow with it.

I do not think anything will be gained by postponing this bill to-night. It is not on final passage, it cannot be passed in this house until to-morrow, and then it has to go to the House of Representatives, and run its course there. If there are any amendments that ought to be made, there is plenty of time to do that after to-night, and the bill might just as well take its course. There is a very good reason why it should, so that we can proceed with our other business in orderly fashion, that the excitement which is interfering with the regular course of business of the Senate and House of Representatives may pass away and that we may go on and attend to the business of the State, for which we are here.

Mr. CHARLES A. SNYDER. "To-morrow and to-morrow and to-morrow creeps in this petty pace from day to day until the last syllable of recorded time." What else is the purpose of this motion to lay over this resolution until to-morrow morning, except that some petty pace may creep in and be delayed to-morrow and to-morrow. The purpose of the motion was, as I understood, not to discuss its merits, but to lay it over for what, the reason wherefore? When I was a prosecuting officer and a defendant was under indictment or a prosecutor desired more time in order to compromise or to get more testimony, the usual experience offered me was that some one would come and say, "Let it go over until to-morrow so we can get together." Now I take it from the speech of the Senator from Philadelphia that there is a purpose in his motion to lay over this resolution until to-morrow, and that purpose is compromise, something that will go to affect the great dignity of this state. I have nothing to do with the purpose of this resolution at this time and I am not going to speak about that, but I do wish to say, Mr. President and Members of the Senate, that I think it is a gratuitous action upon the part of the Ex-

ecutive of this Commonwealth to present, if you please, an argument or reason to the Senate of Pennsylvania why it should not act upon a resolution before the body for its consideration at this time. Let me say to you, I think that is more serious than the laying over of this resolution. I think it is more pertinent to the members of this Senate whether or not before an action is taken by this Senate the Chief Executive of the Commonwealth should protrude himself and his reasons. It matters not what the proposition before the Senate is. I think it is unconventional. I think it is exercising a perogative that the Senate of Pennsylvania should resent and I for one will not subscribe or transfer my rights as a Senator of Pennsylvania, whether I am for or against this resolution, or for or against any other bill that may come before this Senate to any other power except the power that sent me here. That has been the objection, if you please, that has been the plea of the people of this Commonwealth, that the legislative power should be left without trammel, without molestation, without menace, if you please; it should be left to the proper body to act upon matters that come before it without any interference from any superior power, and that, I think, should be resented this evening. Now then as to the argument of the Senator as to the purpose of the resolution. Let me say, if any good could be obtained by putting it over until to-morrow, except that of delay, I would consent. But to-morrow comes, the bill would be on second reading, the bill will then perhaps be amended; something may be stricken out, even a typographical error; it goes over until Wednesday for further reading; it will be acted upon on third reading next Monday night. The Senate and House may adjourn for two weeks or three even, some interference of Providence or some other matter; and then the resolution goes over and "To-morrow and to-morrow and to-morrow creeps in this petty pace."

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to make some explanation, first I would like to answer the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, by saying that if there were any ulterior purpose in the motion to postpone this resolution for one day, one objection on the night when the resolution was offered would have sent it over for one day. The last day we met here all hands agreed to let the resolution go, but one objection would have sent it over for one day, so I do not think there is much in that argument by my friend from Schuylkill. I want to say also that I have had some little experience with investigating business, and I probably know as much about it as any other Senator sitting in this room, and maybe a little more, I am sorry to say. On August 6, 1896, a committee was sent first to Pittsburgh, and they heard one witness, and then got what they wanted and came on to Philadelphia. The newspapers had a boundary line between the United States and Canada with my friend Senator Martin climbing over the United States line into Canada. Well, now, just what happened? The committee organized in Philadelphia, and was about ready to send out subpoenas when the Honorable David Martin, sitting here, walked in and said, "I read in the newspapers that I was going to be subpoenaed here. I am here without a subpoena, and I want to be heard." They said, "You have not been subpoenaed. We are not ready for you." He went back the second day and the third day and finally was heard, and after he was heard and two or three more of his friends, the last scene of that committee was headed by Senator Andrews running as fast as he could run for Crawford County, and nobody made any report of any of their actions. The next nommittee was appointed to make a general investigation, the same as this resolution calls for. It was the Catlin Commission. It was originally appointed for another purpose, as all the old members in this Senate well know, but when the mayoralty contest in Philadelphia came on it was brought down there to Philadelphia—for no other purpose than to change the sentiment in Philadelphia, and it did change sentiment in Philadelphia,so that it elected an independent mayor, with the result that so far as the commission was concerned one of them never sat at all, the Democrat stood up two days after and said he was disgusted with the whole business, two of the members were defeated for a return to this chamber, and my friend here on the right had his majority reduced from some twenty odd thousand down to twenty-five hundred.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I desire to interrogate the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Philadelphia permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I would like to ask the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare, what Senator Catlin's vote was this last time, whether he did not have the endendorsement of all parties in his district.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, Mr. Salus has already answered that, he said he lived it down. Gentleman, no friend of this administration fears a legislative investigation. I have not heard of a single person who cares anything about it, if it is fair. I do not believe anybody else has heard it. First, I want to show what reputable men and newspapers are demanding.

A certain paper charged the Governor with asking for $30,000 to be used at his discretion in the maintenance of his official family and for travel, etc. The truth is, the Governor never asked for one cent for such purposes. When he was inaugurated on January 19, 1915, the contingent fund of his predecessor made to cover the two fiscal years ending in June, 1917, was all exhausted, and was so exhausted on December 7, 1914. The Assembly thereupon in the deficiency bill appropriated the Governor $5,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year which sum he cut to $4,000 and lived within this income absolutely. That means that the Legislature appropriated for former Governor Tenor $17,500 for his personal expenses to cover the expenses of the Commonwealth, and it was intended to last until the end of the fiscal year. On December 7, just seventeen months later instead of two years, the money was all expended and some bills were owing at the mansion when Governor Brumbaugh took office.

The Act of Assembly appropriating to the Executive the contingent fund now available made the fund expendable at the discretion of the Governor. He was not obliged to file any account whatever with the Auditor General. He determined to file an account that all who cared to do so could ascertain how this fund was expended. He did not include in this account any items for his personal use, not even for his food at the mansion, nor the food for the nine employes at the mansion, who are placed there by Acts of Assembly and had been there when he went there.

On May 13, 1915, the Auditor General unsolicited in any way by the Governor wrote as follows:

"It has come to my attention through your vouching your contingent fund that you have not included any expenses for maintenance of the table, etc., of the Executive Mansion. I am assuming that you have, therefore, been maintaining the table and some other incidental expenses of the household of the Mansion, out of your private purse. I do not believe that this was either within the intention of the Legislature or is in keeping with the dignity of the Commonwealth. The Legislature specifically said that the appropriation in question should be spent in your discretion, and really requires the filing of no vouchers on your part, but since you have adopted the system of vouching it the same as all other appropriations, I feel that I have a right to make a suggestion.

"It is the duty of the Auditor General to see that money is properly spent as well as that none should be spent improperly. I would therefore respectfully suggest that you have a right to include among your vouchers those incurred for the necessary maintenance of the table and other incidental expenses of the household of the Mansion which is substantially the guest house of the Commonwealth in the occupancy of yourself as Chief Executive.

"If I have intruded or made any improper suggestion, please be frank to say so, but I felt it my duty for the reasons above stated."

Following the views of the Auditor General that the Mansion is "substantially the guest house of the Commonwealth," and that the Governor should not maintain "the table and some other incidental expenses of the household out of his private purse," the account was filed in full, giving the items in detail.

Under these facts there is no ground of any sort for censoring the Executive. He has acted in open honesty. He has done all that the law requires and has done more. Is he to be persecuted because he is absolutely right and frank in the fullest way?

I challenge anyone to name one single act of his that is in any way dishonest or illegal. His whole life is an open

denial of all such insinuations and in due time the people will speak on this matter. To them and to them alone is the Assembly responsible for making this appropriation, and the Governor for its use, as by law he was directed to do.

The Public Ledger for January 23, 1917, says:

"September 27, 1916. One hundred and seventy dinners at Juniata College." The intimation is made that this was given to the students of the college.

The facts are, Mr. President, that the Governor was taking a party over the roads through the agricultural districts in this Commonwealth at their own individual expense, and it was just as little as this Commonwealth could do through its Governor to give that party one dinner. That ought not to be considered for a minute. I am just giving you a few of these items so you can see how unreasonable and unfair some of the newspapers are.

"May 28, 1915. Fred S. Lack, tailor, pressing clothes, $7.65."

The truth is—This was a debt authorized by the Mansion housekeeper and the clothes were the clothes of the butler, not the Governor.

Same date. "Peerless Laundry, doing shirts and collars, $6.43."

The truth is—This was an account incurred by the butler and other servants, and not by the Governor.

"August 9, 1915. To William H. Rau, one Commonwealth group photograph sent to Winston Churchill, Windsor, Vt., $1.50."

The truth is—That Winston Churchill was the guest of Pennsylvania's Fourth of July Commission at Philadelphia and Valley Forge. A photograph was taken and the Governor's secretary, Mr. Hiatt, sent the photo. The Governor had nothing to do with it and is now censured for sending his own photo to Mr. Churchill, which is absolutely untrue.

"August 9, 1915. Check for $21, to cover price of six meal tickets at Menger's restaurant, Harrisburg, for Mrs. and Miss Stephens from July 8 to July 24."

The truth is—The Mansion was then undergoing repairs. All the attendants were laid off, save the laundress and the housekeeper, both needed at the Mansion. They could not provide food at the Mansion. They went out to the restaurant. Money was saved, not wasted, by this necessary transaction.

The Governor is reputed to have attended a dinner to his friend, Colonel Louis J. Kolb, and that the cost of the dinner was charged to the State.

The truth is—The Governor was not at the dinner. He was unable to go, owing to public business.

Mrs. Brumbaugh is reported in the Ledger of January 24 as purchasing for herself certain buttons, lace, etc., from Bowman and Company at Harrisburg.

The truth is—The buttons were for the servants in the Mansion and the lace was used to cover some pin cushions in the Mansion. The housekeeper had reported that new pin cushions were needed. The lace was put on the old ones and will be in the Mansion long after Mrs. Brumbaugh has left and yet this lady is censored because she is an economic and capable manager.

Mrs. Brumbaugh went to New York upon invitation of the campaign committee and attended a breakfast to Mrs. Hughes the day the women's train went West. This is her only trip to New York.

The Governor never smoked a cigarette. The cigars and cigarettes were purchased for State dinners and other entertainments which almost daily fall upon the Executive in his official capacity.

Not one cent was ever spent by the Governor for liquors of any sort.

He has been the target of abuse solely because he was frankly honest in itemizing all the sources of expense. He is a poor man. He cannot save any of his salary and is in no sense extravagant, as anyone knows who is at all acquainted with him.

The thing he needs as a citizen he pays for as a citizen. The things he officially needs, he officially must purchase, as Governor he charges, as he is by law authorized to do, to the contingent fund given him by the Assembly for that purpose.

Now, gentlemen, you can go on with twenty-five or thirty more of these items, and show how unfair and ridiculous the newspapers are. When you present a resolution and ask a body of sane men to pass it on newspaper articles, such as these, a lot of busy men and doing business in different parts of the State and country, what justification have they to pass any such resolution without first having a complaint from some reputable citizen and some reputable newspaper? So far as I have been able to learn, I have not found any complaint from any reputable citizen except one.

Now, insofar as investigating expenses is concerned, you can take it from me, and I know what I am talking about when I say to you, that in the election of Governor Brumbaugh every dollar that was given to that committee was expended and accounted for. I stand here before all this great crowd in this chamber to-night and look you right in the eye, Mr. President, every dollar was accounted for and will come out in due time, and there will not be any question about it; nobody need worry about that.

In reference to not making returns for elections, just let us see how these election returns are made. I am familiar with some little of it. This is what Mr. Grundy says to a meeting of the manufacturers, part of the manufacturers, in Philadelphia: "Your President has been accused of activity in connection with the election of Richard J. Baldwin as Speaker of the House. To this charge he cheerfully pleads guilty. The management of the Pennsylvania Manufacturers association has not been idle during the last twelve months, fully cognizant of the importance of the speakership contest and intentions of the administration to renew the tactics of 1915.

Now, gentlemen, they were busy, but there are no returns in the expense account as to what they did. Some people around this state know a little something about what was done and how it was done. I am not one of those fellows that stand up here and complains about what others do, but we ought to be fair about this. If it is going to be an investigation that amounts to anything, let it be fair. Let it all be investigated and the quicker they investigate, the further the investigation goes, if it is fair and under fair conditions, the better we all like it.

I do not know that there is much else that I can say in connection with this matter, except that I want to say for the Governor and those connected with him, I do not care how quickly the investigation starts; do not care how far the investigation goes, as long as it is fair, and we certainly ought to be big enough, sane enough, and sound enough to see that the investigation is fair if one is started, and I want to conclude by saying that I want to dispel from the minds of all the members of the Senate here any intention on the part of any of the Governor's friends to postpone this for the purpose of delay.

Senator Sproul well knows all we needed to do was object the other day and the bill would be on first reading now instead of second. The responsibility for any mistake in reference to this resolution does not rest on any of my friends nor myself, so it is not our worry as to who brings about a condition whereby a party may be hurt. I am not going to put it in that shape. I am not going to lean on the party. I am talking about a square deal for a man who was always honest with the people, whom I know to be honest and is believed to be honest by all the people in the state and the answer is, gentlemen, that the last time he ran before the people of this state he polled more votes than any other state or national officer for a delegate to the National Convention notwithstanding that they had gotten a dummy by the name of "Bumbaugh," that took ninety thousand votes additional from him, so it does not seem that the voters of the Commonwealth think that this Governor has not done the fair and right thing, and I hope the gentlemen of the Senate will look at this condition exactly as it is. This is a resolution for political purposes, no more, no less.

And he question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. SALUS and Mr. VARE, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—20

Burke,	Jenkins,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,
Craig,	Jones,	Patton,	Smith, W. W.,
Graff, J. F.,	Lynch,	Phipps,	Snyder, P. W.,
Haldeman,	Magee,	Salus,	Stewart,
Homsher,	Martin,	Semmens,	Vare,

NAYS—24

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Catlin,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Croft,	McConnell,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem
Crow,	McNichol,	Sproul,	
Daix,	Miller,	Tompkins,	
Eyre,	Nason,	Warner,	

So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, when this bill was reported from the Appropriation Committee there were two words, typographical errors, corrected in that bill. In the reprint these words have not been corrected. I therefore move to amend this bill by striking out in line 14, of page 4, the word "indicated" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "indicted;" also in line 19, page 4, by striking out the word "provided" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "appropriated."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution as amended?

It was agreed to.

The preamble of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Whereas, Statements have been made by reputable citizens and the responsible press of this Commonwealth alleging mal-administration on the part of public officers by their gross extravagance, by their mis-use of public funds, by their continued absence from their respective offices, by their failure to properly discharge duties imposed upon them by statute, by their wilful malicious and unnecessary delay in the transaction of public business, by their intimidation and coercion of employes and business interests by their mis-use of appointive administrative and regulative authority, by their alleged bribery in bargaining and selling as rewards for votes of Members of the General Assembly offices and positions created by the public and supported by the public for the transaction of public business, by perjury on the part of certain officials in accepting public offices from which they have knowingly disqualified themselves by violating the Corrupt Practices Act of this Commonwealth, by repugnant and flagrant political activity on the part of semi-judicial officers, by the encroachment of the Executive upon the Legislative Branch of the Government, and

Whereas, Such officers debauch, defame and disgrace the fair name of this Commonwealth, demoralize the public service by their malfeasance and hold up to ridicule its citizenship, and

Whereas, The above-named charges and allegations concerning the conduct of public business by its recognized officials and subordinates have so aroused public sentiment concerning the administration of the affairs of this Commonwealth as to demand a full, free, unobstructed comprehensive and impartial investigation of the public business; Now, therefore

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. PLYMOUTH W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the Senate agreed to the title.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor herewith to transmit a copy of the report of the Legislative Reference Bureau containing a summary of the work done by said bureau under the Act of Assembly approved May 14, 1915.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

(For Report see Appendix.)

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with the law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Allan B. Angney, Pittsburgh, February 3, 1917.
W. C. McClure, Pittsburgh, February 4, 1917.
James McGettigan, McKeesport, February 11, 1917.
Henry C. Schwartz, Millvale, February 11, 1917.
Miss Edith E. Walp, Swissvale, February 11, 1917.
T. J. McGovern, Knoxville, February 14, 1917.
R. F. Weger, Pittsburgh, February 18, 1917.
Miss M. L. Newell, Pittsburgh, February 19, 1917.
Fred B. Fisher, Pittsburgh, February 22, 1917.
C. E. Yost, Pittsburgh, February 22, 1917.
George A. Dovey, Roselyn Farms, February 25, 1917.
John T. Trevaskis, Turtle Creek, February 25, 1917.
Miss Lida A. Bailey, Pittsburgh, February 26, 1917.
Harry M. Corwin, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
James A. Griffith, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Godfrey W. Lerch, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Ernest W. McCafferty, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Miss May Magee, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
John F. Milliken, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
S. L. Neely, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Ferd H. Phillips, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Charles L. Totten, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Fred Gerdts, Duquesne, February 27, 1917.
E. F. Portman, Carnegie, February 27, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Charles Reeves May, Beaver, February 12, 1917.
George L. McPherson, New Brighton, February 27, 1917.
William W. Wilson, New Brighton, February 27, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

Aaron S. Hornberger, Mohnton, February 14, 1917.
George W. Wertz, Wernersville, February 20, 1917.
Lot W. Reiff, Reading, February 22, 1917.
Clifford W. Kissinger, Reading, February 23, 1917.
James M. High, Amity Township, February 27, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Myrtle R. Johnston, Johnstown, February 27, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Elmore G. Tacy, Palmerton, February 4, 1917.
J. E. Rosenstock, Weatherly, February 11, 1917.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

George S. Beckwith, Du Bois, February 26, 1917.
John B. McGrath, Houtzdale, February 27, 1917.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

John W. Evans, Berwick, February 23, 1917.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Joseph Hallas, Jr., Darby, February 26, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Dorman Weaver, Erie, February 3, 1917.
Lorenz Stachowski, Erie, February 5, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Chas. S. Bowman, Uniontown, February 27, 1917.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

J. A. Whiteman, Punxsutawney, February 27, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Thos. J. Creegan, Scranton, February 11, 1917.
James J. Stone, Scranton, February 11, 1917.
Arthur D. Dean, Scranton, February 27, 1917.
J. F. Reynolds, Carbondale, February 27, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

John K. Miller, Manheim, February 3, 1917.
Miss Nellie C. Shay, Lancaster, February 11, 1917.
Martin N. Brubaker, Mt. Joy, February 27, 1917.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

George T. Weingartner, New Castle, February 4, 1917.

LEBANON COUNTY.

H. G. Light, North Lebanon Twp., February 20, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Marcus H. Bickert, Allentown, February 18, 1917.
Phaon C. Weaver, Emaus, February 27, 1917.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

P. F. Hartranft, Montgomery, February 20, 1917.
Oliver J. Decker, Williamsport, February 27, 1917.
J. Fred Katzmaier, Williamsport, February 27, 1917.

McKEAN COUNTY.

Moses Sullivan, Bradford, February 18, 1917.
Sheridan Gorton, Smethport, February 27, 1917.

MONROE COUNTY.

William A. Shafer, Stroudsburg, February 27, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Geo. K. Brecht, Norristown, February 12, 1917.
Aldes J. Bernhart, Pottstown, February 18, 1917.
Jonathan B. Grubb, Schwenksville, February 27, 1917.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Charles W. K. Shafer, Nazareth, February 19, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

F. A. Witmer, Sunbury, February 22, 1917.
John Kopyscianski, Shamokin, February 25, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles I. Cronin, Philadelphia, January 31, 1917.
Alan Cowdrick, Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
Thos. S. Louderback, Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
William D. Nees, Philadelphia, February 4, 1917.
Thomas G. Hawkes, Philadelphia, February 5, 1917.
Miss Josephine Levering, Philadelphia, February 11, 1917.
Roscoe C. Schmidt, Philadelphia, February 11, 1917.
James Hay Simms, Philadelphia, February 11, 1917.
Clinton M. Smith, Philadelphia, February 11, 1917.
Hans Weniger, Philadelphia, February 12, 1917.
John A. Barry, Philadelphia, February 13, 1917.
Fred W. Neuber, Philadelphia, February 14, 1917.
Miss Marion L. Pyle, Philadelphia, February 17, 1917.
Miss Mary F. Lyons, Philadelphia, February 23, 1917.
J. H. Pelly, Philadelphia, February 23, 1917.
J. Howard Reber, Philadelphia, February 23, 1917.
George S. Wolbert, Philadelphia, February 25, 1917.
E. Warner Bonsall, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
Jacob A. Fritz, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
William J. Jackson, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
Morris L. Kolb, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
Jacob Mann, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
Joseph W. Mills, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
John S. Wurts, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
John J. Carr, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
William M. Clift, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
William J. Cooley, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Robert G. Erskine, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Robt. G. Foster, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Charles M. Johnson, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Harry S. Kaestner, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Simon Katz, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Theo. H. McCalla, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Wm. H. MacMunn, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
John V. Martin, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Miss Sarah Nittenberger, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
A. M. Schriver, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Miss Katharine F. Sellers, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Thos. Shallcross, Jr., Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Miss Annetta Smith, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Albert S. Wray, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Morris Zinman, Philadelphia, February 27 1917.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Thos. M. Reed, Frackville, February 22, 1917.
Miss Dolores Brennan, Shenandoah, February 23, 1917.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Earle R. Beggs, Confluence, February 27, 1917.

VENANGO COUNTY.

John L. Nesbit, Franklin, February 4, 1917.

WARREN COUNTY.

Miss Eva G. Masterson, Warren, February 25, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Frank Bumer, Monessen, February 12, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

Jas. J. Logan, York, February 1, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss Nellie N. Bagnall, Pittsburgh.
W. B. Horner, Pittsburgh.
Miss Anna Claire Paisley, Pittsburgh.
Miss Helen M. Parrish, Pittsburgh.
John A. Young, Pittsburgh.
William A. Knorr, Swissvale.
John C. McEwen, Oakdale.
D. Homer Woozley, Homestead.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Samuel J. McDowell, Leechburg.

BERKS COUNTY.

Miss Minerva S. Lesher, Reading.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

H. B. Chronister, Johnstown.

CARBON COUNTY.

Raymond F. Smith, Palmerton.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Samuel A. Black, Downingtown.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Elmer Balser, Harrisburg.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Mrs. Louise Glass Porter, Chester.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Miss Ruth Ambrose, Waynesboro.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

James J. Moffat, Dunmore.
James J. O'Malley, Scranton.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

William K. Hugus, New Castle.
J. Roy Mercer, New Castle.
Edwin M. Underwood, New Castle.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Charles N. Ulrich, Catasauqua.

McKEAN COUNTY.

Miss E. M. Koch, Bradford.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

John Kiss, Northampton.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

S. W. Bookhammer, Philadelphia.
Isadore Sydney Clair, Philadelphia.
George W. Clement, Philadelphia.

Charles Bentley Collins, Philadelphia.
Charles A. Dillan, Philadelphia.
Joseph Finkle, Philadelphia.
Charles F. Herschel, Philadelphia.
Charles S. Littleton, Philadelphia.
Edward Fell Lukens, Philadelphia.
Jacob Marbin, Philadelphia.
Geo. Mecke, Philadelphia.
Charles J. Miller, Philadelphia.
Miss M. S. Stackhouse, Philadelphia.
Henry A. Tumelty, Philadelphia.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

G. S. Mowry, Winber.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Joseph C. Spriggs, Washington.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

S. Brauchler, Latrobe.
W. T. Cruse, Derry.
George B. Taylor, Greensburg.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreebly to the provisions of the constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—48.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Washers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, R. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows, and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

COUNTY TREASURER.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John F. McConnell, to be County Treasurer of Mercer County until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice Uriah A. Hanna, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

MEMBERS OF THE MINE INSPECTORS' EXAMINING BOARD.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Members of the Mine Inspectors Examining Board, for the term of four years to compute from February 26, 1917:

George S. Baton, Pittsburgh.
Robert H. Kay, Saxton.
E. A. Watters, Leechburg.
William H. Gates, Graceton.
Stephen Arkwright, Mount Pleasant.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

MANAGER STATE INDUSTRIAL REFORMATORY.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas G. Crownover, to be a manager of the State Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon, Pa., for the term of ten years, to compute from May 15, 1916.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMISSIONERS OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Edwin C. Potter, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence at Providence, Rhode Island, for the term of five years, to be computed from the date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Wm. H. Pauling Emrich, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence in the City of Paris, Republic of France, for the term of five years from the date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ALDERMAN

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, P. H. Seltzer, to be an Alderman in and for the Fourth Ward of the City of Lebanon, County of Lebanon, until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice David C. Smith, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William F. Taylor, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Elizabeth, County of Allegheny, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice George W. Wright, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 24, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Charles J. Harrison, Jr., to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Robert S. Meyers, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Leonard D. Pittman, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Cherry Tree, County of Indiana, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. G. Sechler, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Sen-

ate, John A. Price, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Lower Salford Montgomery County, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Isaiah T. Haldeman, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Wilmer C. Johnson, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Downingtown, County of Chester, until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice J. H. Johnson, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move the Senate do now adjourn until tomorrow morning at 11.30 o'clock.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11 o'clock until Tuesday morning, January 30, 1917, at 11.30 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, January 29, 1917.

The House met at 9.00 o'clock P. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, of Ephrata, Lancaster County, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, Creator and Preserver of the Universe. We pause at the opening of the session to-night to place ourselves in harmony with Thy great plans. We realize that it is unwise and sinful to hinder Thy purposes. Bless us with a humility and knowledge to appeal for Divine wisdom and a spiritual recognition of Thy messages. Incline all of us to stop and pray, watch and act with pure motives. Give us broader views of our duty to Thy spiritual direction and grant us that peace of mind that fills the submissive soul. Make known Thy law and Thy love to all Thy people in all lands. May we gather inspiration from the most gracious and devout life and character of the lamented President McKinley whose birthday we to-day commemorate, and in full obedience to Thy will, not ours, may we draw ever nearer to Thee, dear Lord, beseeching Thee to vouchsafe peace, prosperity and happiness to all. We ask these blessings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son and our Redeemer. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of January 23, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of January 23, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Perry, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time desires to refer the bills which have been filed with the Chief Clerk.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. RINN. House Bill No. 46.

An Act requiring employers to permit all employes to have a leave of absence of two hours on election day without any deduction in wages.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 47.

An Act making an appropriation to the Rosine Association, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GRANSBACH. House Bill No. 48.

An Act making an appropriation to the Roosevelt Hospital, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 49.

An Act making an appropriation to the Roselia Foundling Asylum and Maternity Hospital, of the City of Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 50.

An Act making an appropriation to the Curtis Home for Destitute Women and Children, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 51.

An Act making an appropriation for The Thaddeus Stevens Industrial School of Pennsylvania, at Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 52.

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough, and township tax collectors, their executors and administrators if they are deceased, or either surety or sureties, if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes, to collect taxes, for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same, by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds, or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants, or by the expiration of their terms of office, and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. PERRY. House Bill No. 53.

An Act to regulate boxing and sparring; establishing an athletic commission therefor and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. HAIGHT. House Bill No. 54.

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, President-elect of the United States, to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen; and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff, and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 55.

An Act making an appropriation to the York Society to Protect Children and Aged Persons, of York, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. OGDEN. House Bill No. 56.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Wyoming and Susquehanna Counties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HORTON. House Bill No. 57.

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania, heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs; making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling and proof-reading, and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same, and for paper.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 58.

An Act fixing the salaries of the County Commissioners, County Treasurer, and County Auditors in the counties of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. OGDEN. House Bill No. 59.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Wyoming.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 60.

An Act to amend section seventy-five of an act, approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred

and sixty (P. L. 382), entitled "An Act to consolidate, revise and amend the Penal Laws of this Commonwealth," by providing that the penalty for murder of the first degree shall be either death or life imprisonment at the discretion of the jury or of the court as the case may be.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 61.

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year, ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts, page thirty-three), providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 62.

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous, spiritous, malt, or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting of licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. DEWEY. House Bill No. 63.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Bradford County.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 64.

An Act amending Sections one, two, three and four of "An Act authorizing boroughs to collect an annual rental or assessment from property abutting on sewers constructed at public expense, and providing for the collection thereof," approved the eleventh day of May, A. D. 1915, by extending the provisions of said act to Cities of the Third Class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House: In view of the fact that I represent the City of Lancaster, which is not a mining community, and in view of the fact that I am totally unfamiliar with subterranean processes either as they affect things physical or things political, I respectfully decline to serve as the Chairman of the Committee of Mines and Mining.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Lancaster is relieved of the duties as Chairman of the Committee on Mines and Mining. The Chair will appoint this chairman later and announce it to the House.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. STRAUSS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sarig on account of illness.

Mr. PHILLIPS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Boulton on account of illness.

Mr. McCAIG asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sullivan on account of illness.

Mr. BRUMBAUGH asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Siggins on account of illness.

Mr. C. A. SHAFFER asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Musser on account of illness.

Mr. NEARY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Lafferty on account of illness.

Mr. BAKER asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sprowls on account of illness.

Mr. SIMPSON asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wagner on account of illness.

Mr. HOFFMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Rhoads on account of illness.

Mr. HOUGH asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stadtlander on account of illness.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM COMMISSIONER OF FISHERIES.

Mr. SPANGELR offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the House of Representatives, January 29, 1917.

"Whereas, By joint resolutioin of the Pennsylvania Legislature, approved the 22nd day of April, 1913, P. L. 112, the Pennsylvania Water and Water Power Company was directed to install an adequate fishway on or before November 1st, 1913, through its dam erected across the Susquehanna river at Holtwood, and spanning the river between the Lancaster and York County shores; and

Whereas, In the event of failure on the part of the Company to so construct said fishway on or before November 1st, 1913, the Commissioner of Fisheries was authorized to construct a fishway at said dam at the cost of said Pennsylvania Water and Power Company, and in the event the work is to be done by the said Fish Commissioner, he is authorized to collect, in the name of the Commonwealth, the cost thereof, with a penalty of fifty per cent. additional; and

Whereas, The said joint resolution provides that if the said Company shall not begin said work as aforesaid, the Fish Commissioner shall lay the matter before the Attorney General, who shall forthwith by quo warranto proceed to have the powers and privileges heretofore vested in said Company revoked; and

Whereas, It appears an adequate fishway has not been constructed at said dam by the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company nor by the Commissioner of Fisheries, nor has the delinquency of said Company been laid before the Attorney General for action, as commended by said joint resolution, ,

Now, be it resolved, That the Commissioner of Fisheries be requested to furnish the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania with the following information on or before the third Monday of February, 1917:

First: The reason for the neglect of the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company in disobeying the mandate of the Legislature of Pennsylvania requiring the construction of an adequate fishway.

Second: The reason for the neglect of the Commissioner of Fisheries to construct said fishway in compliance with the aforesaid joint resolution.

Third: The reason why the delinquency of said Company in its failure to construct an adequate fishway was not laid before the Attorney General of the State, with a request to him to proceed by quo warranto proceedings against said Company."

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will certify the same to the proper official.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced presented a communication in writing from his Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor herewith to transmit a copy of the report of the Legislative Reference Bureau containing a summary of the work done by said bureau under the Act of Assembly approved May 14, 1915.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

(For report see Appendix.)

COMMITTEE CHANGES.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker has received the following communication which the Clerk will read:

The Clerk read the communication as follows:

"Mr. Speaker: Mr. John Mehring of Philadelphia has agreed with Mr. Philip Sterling of Philadelphia to exchange his appointment on the Judiciary Special Committee for the appointment of Mr. Sterling on the Printing Committee.

JOHN MEHRING
PHILIP STERLING,"

January 23, 1917.

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection the change will be made.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker has also received the following communication which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read the communication as follows:

"January 23, 1917.

Mr. SPEAKER. We would like to make the following changes with your permission: Mehring from Military

Committee to the Committee on Compare Bills; Bennett from Compare Bills to Military Committee.

M. S. BENNETT
JOHN MEHRING."

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection the change will be made.

COMMUNICATION RELATIVE TO THE DELAWARE RIVER BRIDGE.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker also received the following communication which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read the communication as follows:

"Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, January 15, 1917.
To the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate of the State of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, held on January 11th, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, the Joint Committee on the Delaware River Bridge find that New Jersey has appointed a Commission, with power to make preliminary surveys and report on the proper time and position of such a bridge, and on approval of this report by the various County Officers to accept bids, issue bonds and to build and operate the bridge, therefore this Committee recommends that the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce urge upon Councils of Philadelphia, and the Pennsylvania Legislature to appoint a Commission of the City of Philadelphia, or State of Pennsylvania with like powers and an equal appropriation."

Will you kindly see that this resolution is presented to your respective bodies and advise the result of any action that may be taken by them.

Respectfully yours,
N. B. KELLY,
General Secretary."

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF THE WESTERN SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY OF PHILADELPHIA FOR THE YEAR 1916.

The Chair laid before the House the Seventieth Annual Report of the Auditors of the Western Savings Fund Society of Philadelphia for the year 1916.

(For Report see Appendix.)

REPORT OF THE PHILADELPHIA SAVINGS FUND ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916.

Also the report of the Philadelphia Savings Fund Association for the year ending December 31, 1916.

(For Report see Appendix.)

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move you that when this House adjourns to-night it is to meet to-morrow morning at 11.30 o'clock.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 9.45 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 11.30 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, January 30, 1917.

The Senate met at 11.30 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our kind Heavenly Father, we are here to address ourselves again to the work of the day. The complicated problems that confront us from time to time need that divine guidance that we can get only from Thee. We pray Thee that the loftiest motives and the highest purposes may guide us in all of our thinking, so that we shall do that which will bring about the largest amount of good in the development of each individual life. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on the motion of Mr. SONES, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SCHANTZ from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 4, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 5th day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act relating to the payment of fines and costs of persons committed to prisons and lockups, and their discharge.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

An act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties; and providing for the administration of such funds and payments therefrom.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 6, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section first of the Act of Assembly, approved the 28th day of March, A. D. 1907, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million, to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the 8th day of June, A. D. 1911.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 39, entitled

An act giving references to claims for rent in cases of bankruptcy and insolvency proceedings against tenants.

Mr. JENKINS from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 15, entitled

An act relating to costs in certain cases of summary conviction before aldermen, magistrates and justices of the peace; providing for the assessment of such costs upon the prosecutor or defendant and their commitment in case of default; and providing for the payment of such costs by counties in certain cases.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 14, entitled

An act to amend part of clause (d), section seven of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 192), entitled "An act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof, as amended, by providing that informations in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 34, entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

Mr. DAIX from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act relating to criminal procedure before aldermen, justices of the peace and magistrates in cases of certain indictable offenses; and providing for the assessment of costs in such cases upon the prosecutor, defendant or county and the commitment of the prosecutor or defendant in case of default.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 9, entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence, and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 32, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the 7th day of June, 1915 (P. L. 876), entitled "An Act regulating the legal business of the State Government, and the employment of attorneys therefor, and defining the duties of the various departments, bureaus, boards, agents and commissions in relation thereto; conferring certain powers upon the Auditor General, State Treasurer and Secretary of Internal Affairs.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 58, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate,' approved the eighteenth day of April, 1853; extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders," approved the fourteenth day of June, 1897 (P. L. p. 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of 1853 and its amendment of 1897 of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

Mr. PATTON from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 16, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the 4th day of June, 1901 (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of, contracts for work and labor to be done, and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tram-

way, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line; canal, millrace; works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold air, or any other substance furnished to the public; well for the production of gas, oil, or other volatile or mineral substance; or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree; repealing inconsistent legislation; and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 41, entitled

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act, entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates," approved the 8th day of April, 1823, and the amendments thereto.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 61, entitled

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate.

Mr. CRAIG from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 11, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the 18th day of March, 1887, entitled "An Act relating to surety of the peace, and defining the procedure in such cases," by providing for the payment of costs by counties in certain cases.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 12, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the 1st day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen, and providing penalties."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 24th day of June, 1885 (P. L. 159), entitled "An Act relative to costs in suits before aldermen and justices of the peace, and the collection of the same," as amended.

Mr. PHIPPS from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 51, entitled

An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas to fix the compensation of the Prothonotary and assistants in computing the election returns; also the Congressional Return Judge in district comprised of more than one county.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 55, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate; and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 65, entitled

An Act relating to desertion and non-support, and directing imprisonment at hard labor in certain cases; providing for the payment of certain sums of money by either the institutions wherein the dependent is confined or the respective county for the support of dependents; providing for the appointment of desertion probation officers and for their salaries and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bail bonds, bonds, or recognizances; and providing for the payment by the county of the salaries and expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this act.

Mr. SEMMENS from the Committee on Education reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 33, entitled

An Act to amend Article six of the Act approved the 18th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

Mr. VARE from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 22, entitled

An Act prohibiting the construction, without consent of the owner, of public sewers and drains, over, across, through, and under lands used or intended for use as a cemetery.

Mr. MAGEE from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act authorizing a married woman to make conveyances of her real estate without her husband joining therein, where the husband has, by agreement duly executed and acknowledged, released his courtesy right, or such right or estate as he may have, or may inherit after the death of his wife, in said real estate, whether he has in said release undertaken and agreed to join in a deed or deeds for the conveyance of said real estate or not, and validating all such conveyances heretofore made.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law, of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 50, entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the Judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts of the several counties of the State, by providing suitable clerical assistance.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 68, entitled

An Act providing for the regulation of charges of fire insurance companies for the prevention of discriminatory charges, and providing penalties for the violation of its several provisions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 69, entitled

A supplement to the second section of an act entitled "A supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, 1879,' approved the first day of June, 1889, amending the twenty-fourth section, by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, 1895, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement, including townships among the distributees, and providing for certain conditions upon said distributions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 70, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May, A. D., 1911, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," the amendments intending to prevent any alteration in the standard subjects of common school education or any lowering of the nature thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. McCONNELL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 71, entitled

An Act requiring the State Highway Department to construct a bridge over the Susquehanna River between the Village of Dalmatia in Northumberland County, and the Village of McKees Half Falls in Snyder County, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of certain soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one to sixty-five; conferring certain powers and duties on the Auditor General, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 73, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Treverton, Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields, situate in the Township of Coal, near Shamokin, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, for its maintenance and support, for the two fiscal years beginning June 1st, 1917; for improvements to grounds, road, sewers and kitchen; for building bridge, painting and other necessary repairs to buildings; for burnt ward complete; for pathological and clinical laboratories; for department of anaeathesia; for ice plant; for electrical plant; for laundry; for nurses' home, finishing and equipment; for superintendent's home; for garage and ambulance; for beds and bedding; for furniture, furnishings, repairs and improvements of all the above.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and making certain exceptions, and providing a Board of Optometrical Education, Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained, and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act, and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board, and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations and Sanitation.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 75, entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March, 1906 (P. L. 78), entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses, and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed, and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 76, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Johnstown City Hospital, of Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 77, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 78, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Miners' Hospital of Northern Cambria at Spangler, in Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 79, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Conemaugh Valley Memorial Hospital, at the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 80, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Christian Home, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 81, entitled

An Act to provide for the protection of life and property by providing for the examination and licensing of engineers having charge of or operating any pipes or containers or tanks or vessels under air, water, gas or steam pressure, or persons having charge of or operating any steam or gas or internal combustion engines in cities of the second class, defining the term "engineer," and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. MAGEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 83, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Western Pennsylvaia Institution for the Blind at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. NASON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 84, entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Ruhl and Dora Ruhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennslyvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of said Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Mattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis, his wife, residents of Washington Township, County of Erie, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 88, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 1374), entitled, "An Act defining public ser-

vice companies; and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers, and regulating their incorporation, and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation, or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporations concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries and compensation of the members of the commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission, and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the Courts of Common Pleas; and giving the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders, subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the violations of the orders of said commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commision to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provides for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act, approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act, entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations, or associations, may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars, and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved the twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act;" providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court; and conferring jurisdiction on the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County to dispose of certain pending appeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, January 30, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, February fifth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, February fifth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives, for concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Fred Bruckman, Pittsburgh.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Miss Blanche Brown, Kittanning.

BERKS COUNTY.

I. B. Klinger, Bethel Township.

CARBON COUNTY.

Wesley N. Boyer, Lehighton.

CLARION COUNTY.

Malcolm M. Fleming, New Bethlehem.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Richard J. Kelly, Eddystone.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Alfred J. Bickel, Philadelphia.
Richard P. McCloskey, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss Beatrice Fitzgerald, Pittsburgh, February 6, 1917.
W. M. Maneese, Pittsburgh, February 9, 1917.
James L. Lowry, Sharpsburg, February 22, 1917.
George N. Monro, Jr., Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

George W. Thomas, Scranton, February 11, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Jane M. Gorman, Hazleton, February 11, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

John J. Burns, Philadelphia, February 3, 1917.
John A. Heyser, Philadelphia, February 22, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SPROUL,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SPROUL,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Magee,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORT OF WESTERN SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, OF PHILADELPHIA.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate report of the Western Savings Fund Society, of Philadelphia.

(For report, see Appendix.)

COMMUNICATION FROM PHILADELPHIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RELATIVE TO DELAWARE RIVER BRIDGE.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication from the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, which was read as follows, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PHILADELPHIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

N. B. Kelly, General Secretary.

January 15, 1917.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate of the State of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, held on January 11th, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, the Joint Committee on the Delaware River Bridge find that New Jersey has appointed a Commission, with power to make preliminary surveys and report on the proper time and position of such a bridge, and on approval of this report by the various proper County Officers to accept bids, issue bonds and to build and operate the bridge, therefore this Committee recommends that the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce urge upon Councils of Philadelphia, and the Pennsylvania Legislature to appoint a Commission of the City of Philadelphia, or State of Pennsylvania with like powers and an equal appropriation."

Will you kindly see that this resolution is presented to your respective bodies and advise the result of any action that may be taken by them.

Respectfully yours,

N. B. KELLY,
General Secretary.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 10, entitled:

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State Highways and State Aid Highways in any county of the Commonwealth.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported, as committed, the following resolution:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOR INFORMATION FROM ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

In the Senate, January 29, 1917.

Whereas, the General Appropriation Bill enacted by the General Assembly of 1915 provided money in accordance with section fifteen, of Article three, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, the Appropriation period covered by the General Appropriation Bill of 1915, will expire on May 31, 1917:

Therefore, Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), that the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed to furnish, not later than March 1, 1917, the following information;

First: Items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the Government for two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

Second: The amount expended from each appropriation between June 1, 1915, and December 31, 1916.

Third: The estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the Government, for the two years commencing June 1, 1917, and ending May 31, 1919.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to lie over for one day, be suspended, and that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of the resolution just reported from Committee.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 1, on third reading, entitled:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor

goes over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 18, entitled:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Judicial Departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, to be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 89, entitled:

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State Highways and State Aid Highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, relating to and regulating motor vehicles; and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said Act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and years subsequent thereto.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JONES read in place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 90, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Robert Packer Hospital.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 91, entitled:

An Act protecting employes against false charges as to collection of transportation money.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

RECESS.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, in view of the fact that the House has adjourned without concurring in the Senate resolution providing for adjournment this week, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until five o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with favorable recommendation the following nomination made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Wilmer C. Johnson, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Downingtown, County of Chester, until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice J. H. Johnson, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. McNICHOL,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor, to lie on the table one day be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon the nominations just reported.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. McNICHOL,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Magee,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 89, entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State Highways and State Aid Highways, all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year 1917 and subsequent years, under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July 7th, 1913, relating to and regulating motor vehicles; and repealing the Act of Assembly of June 18th, 1915, making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January 1st, 1917, and years subsequent thereto.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 92, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Western State Penitentiary.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 93, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Allegheny General Hospital, of the North Sile, City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 94, entitled

An Act providing for the resignation or retirement of certain officers and employes of State institutions and under certain conditions allowing them half pay during the remainder of their lives and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 95, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Nason Hospital, Roaring Spring, Blair County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend Section 9 of Article VII, of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the 27th day of June, 1913.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 97, entitled

An Act to regulate the hours and days for the sale of alcoholic and intoxicating liquors.

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 98, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 3rd day of July, 1885, entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen, in the several counties of this Commonwealth."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from Committees at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Finance reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 31, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the 2d day of May, 1899 (P. L. 184), entitled, "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods, wares and merchandise, and providing for the collection of said tax," by changing the date of appointment and term, and providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of mercantile appraisers in cities of the first class.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 88, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the Commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such Commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the Commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said Commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the 19th day of June, 1911, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof, repealing the act approved the 31st day of May, 1907, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act approved the 4th day of June, 1883, entitled, 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the 17th Article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations, may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars, and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1907, and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the 29th day of April, 1874, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court, and conferring jurisdiction on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to dispose of certain pending appeals.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House had concurred in Resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, January 30, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, February fifth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, February fifth, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION FOR INFORMATION FROM ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in Resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, January 29th, 1917.

Whereas, The General Appropriation Bill enacted by the General Assembly of 1915 provided money in accordance with Section fifteen of Article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, The appropriation period covered by the General Appropriation Bill of 1915 will expire on May 31, 1917;

Therefore, Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed to furnish not later than March 1, 1917, the following informatiion:

First: Items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

Second: The amount expended from each appropriation between June 1, 1915, and December 31, 1916.

Third: The estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years commencing June 1, 1917, and ending May 31, 1919.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection. The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 99, entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stock, and upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations, co-partnership associations, and joint stock associations; providing the manner of collecting such tax, and prescribing penalties;" approved the 4th day of June, 1915; providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by said act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 100, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 101, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Sewickley Fresh Air Home, Sewickley, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move the Senate do now adjourn.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 5.13 P. M. until Monday, February 5, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, January 30, 1917.

The House met at 11.30 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Kind Father in Heaven we recognize Thy supreme providence and Thy protecting care over us during the silent shades of another night without any visible mark of Thy displeasure. We thank Thee for the beautiful sunlight of this day; may it be emblematical of the light of Thy countenance shed abroad in our hearts. Grant that we may appreciate the greatness of the natural world and thereby lay fast hold of Thy spirit which enlightens our minds, broadens our sphere of action and illuminates our souls. We praise Thy most Holy Name. May it ever be hallowed so that we may glorify Thy greatness and perform our mission on earth by serving God and man as was the import of the law given on Mount Sinaii. May the coming of Thy Kingdom in our hearts be hastened whilst we build our characters on Jesus Christ as the cornerstones with God's plan and materials from the fountain of truth and a workmanship that needeth not be ashamed. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Dean the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. SHATTUCK. House Bill No. 65.

An Act making an appropriation to the Titusville Hospital, at Titusville, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SHATTUCK. House Bill No. 66.

An Act to prohibit the use of any device to increase or intensify the sound of the explosions through the exhaust of any stationary gas engine or internal combustion engine and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 67.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mid-Valley Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 68.

An Act allowing a certain sum for clerk hire to county treasurers in counties having a population of not less than one hundred thousand nor more than one hundred and fifty thousand.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. SHATTUCK. House Bill No. 69.

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 70.

An Act to amend section ten of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve and maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads; and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," by providing for taking over certain roads, streets, and highways in boroughs or incorporated township by the State Highway Department; and regulating certain contracts with public service corporations.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 71.

An Act providing for the collection of county, poor, school, borough, town or township taxes; the filing of liens for any such as are delinquent and the collection of such liens; providing for the transfer of certain returns of unpaid taxes now on file in the county treasurer's office to the prothonotary's office and the collection of such taxes; providing a system whereby lands sold for unpaid taxes may be redeemed; fixing the fees of the county treasurer for such services; and defining the duties and fixing the fees of the prothonotary and sheriff.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 72.

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 73.

An Act to amend section forty-one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred thirty-four, entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships, and county and township officers."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 74.

An Act amending section five of the act entitled "An Act to amend section five (5) of the act, entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons, and to prevent adulterations in drugs and medical preparations, in the State of Pennsylvania,' which was approved the twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven; requiring that on and after January first, one thousand nine hundred and six, all persons applying for certificates of registration as competent pharmacists, under the provisions of section five (5) of said act, shall be graduates of a reputable college of pharmacy," approved the twenty-fourth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five; providing for the granting of certificates to qualified assistants of at least seven years' actual practice, who apply therefor prior to June first, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred seventeen.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 75.

An Act relating to the extinguishment of ground rents and providing a means, where ground rent has been extinguished by payment or presumption of law, for recording

evidence of such extinguishment, regulating the practice in such proceedings and making the same binding and effectual.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 76.

An Act validating municipal liens filed by boroughs for paving and curbing the public highways thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. McPEAKE. House Bill No. 77.

An Act to fix, regulate and establish the fees to be charged and received by constables in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. THOMAS. House Bill No. 78.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. House Bill No. 79.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BELL. House Bill No. 80.

An Act to establish as a "State Highway," a certain section of public road in the counties of Clearfield, Elk, and Cameron.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. House Bill No. 81.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 82.

An Act prohibiting the use of boxes, cans, containers and other receptacles containing truck and farm products, by persons other than the owners thereof, and imposing a penalty therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 83.

An Act making an appropriation to the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 84.

An Act making an appropriation for the expenses required by an act entitled "An Act to provide for the continuance of the education and maintenance of the destitute orphans of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines, and the destitute children of permanently disabled soldiers, sailors and marines of the State," approved May twenty-fifth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine; also making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of an act to provide for the education and maintenance of the children admitted to the Pennsylvania Soldiers' Orphan Industrial School and Soldiers' Orphan Schools, approved May twenty-seventh, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 85.

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco, or both cigars and tobacco, or for buying, selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco, or both, to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and warehouses for storage of such articles, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 86.

An Act to repeal an act approved the ninth day of May, A. D. 1913, entitled "An Act relating to Divorce."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 87.

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Referred to the Commitee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 88.

An Act making an appropriation to the Glen Mills Schools, situate in the Eastern District of the Commonwealth for the purchase of additional land and making the necessary improvements thereon for the Girls' Department at Darlington, Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CONRAD G. MILLER. House Bill No. 89.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Middle Coal Field.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. House Bill No. 90.

An Act to amend section one of article two, Chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. SOMERMAN. House Bill No. 91.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. House Bill No. 92.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lying-in-Charity Hospital, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 93.

An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of the County Commissioners, in Counties of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 94.

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred four entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York," (Pamphlet Laws 65) by regulating the term and election of directors of the poor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 95.

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in the county of York' "approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws 203) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the county of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the county of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse; and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan; and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. NEARY. House Bill No. 96.

An Act to regulate the sale, loan, lease, gift and possession of revolvers, pistols and other firearms of a size which may be concealed upon the person.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 97.

An Act permitting fishing on Sunday.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 98.

An Act to provide for the assessment of a State Income Tax upon all persons within this Commonwealth, having an income of more than three thousand dollars per annum, the periodic registration of such persons, providing for the collection, custody, application and expenditure of the fund to be realized from such State Income Tax, establishing an Inspection System and fixing penalties for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 99.

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs, towns and townships to engage in the business of buying and selling coal and providing a system of administration in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 100.

An Act creating in the Department of Mines a division for the mining and sale of coal; providing for the mining and sale of coal by the Commonwealth; providing a system of administration in connection therewith; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. CHRISTMAN. House Bill No. 101.

An Act making an appropriation to Eagleville Sanatorium for Consumptives, located at Eagleville, Montgomery county.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 102.

An Act making an appropriation for the Pennsylvania State Oral School for the Deaf at Scranton.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ARTHUR. House Bill No. 103.

An Act making an appropriation to the Kensington Hospital for Women of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 104.

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads; and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an Act of Congress, approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes;" and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 105.

An Act making an appropriation to St. Mary's Keller Memorial Hospital, Scranton, Lackawanna County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 106.

An Act making an appropriation to further carry out the provisions of the act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (P. L. 938), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the Port of Erie by dredging the said basins; for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins, and erecting certain walls in the same; for the protection of the said State canal basins, with harbor of Erie; authorizing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements; and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public, and kept in repairs."

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 107.

An Act making an appropriation to the Northwestern Pennsylvania Humane Society.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 108.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Hospital, Sisters of Charity of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ERDMAN. House Bill No. 109.

An Act providing under what circumstances and in what manner a voter may be permitted to select an election officer or clerk of his election district to aid him in the preparation of his ballot at any general or municipal election, and repealing section twenty-six of the act of June 10th, 1893, entitled "An Act to regulate the nomination and election of public officers requiring certain expenses incident thereto to be paid by the several counties and punishing certain offenses in regard to such elections."

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 110.

An Act to amend an act approved the twelfth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act regulating the compensation of county auditors within this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 111.

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 112.

An Act making an appropriation to the Bradford Hospital, of the City of Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 113.

An Act making an appropriation to the Commonwealth Humane Society.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REICHENBACKER. House Bill No. 114.

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York of certain toll bridges over the Delaware River and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 115.

An act making an appropriation to the Allegheny Valley General Hospital of Tarentum, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 116.

An Act providing for the payment of the enlisted men of the National Guard of the Commonwealth who served on the Mexican Border; and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 117.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section one, article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. McKINNEY. House Bill No. 118.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustetes of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania, at Polk, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH. House Bill No. 119.

An Act authorizing a State Association of Township Supervisors, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof by the respective counties.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 120.

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class, by authority of the court, to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; provdiing for their compensation; and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MICHEL. House Bill No. 121.

An Act making an appropriation to the Allegheny General Hospital, of the North Side, City of Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 122.

An Act to amend Section 16 of an act approved the 28th day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act," to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. DAVID F. DAVIS. House Bill No. 123.

An Act to provide for the support of the surface in all cases where coal and other minerals are hereafter mined, and providing remedies for failure to comply therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. NEARY. House Bill No. 124.

An Act making an appropriation to the Frederick Douglass Memorial Hospital and Training School of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 125.

An Act making an appropriation to the Sisters of Charity of Saint Catharine's Orphan Asylum, of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 126.

An Act making an appropriation to the House of the Good Shepherd, in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 127.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Friendless Children, in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 128.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Joseph's Hospital, in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 129.

An Act making an appropriation to the Bernadine Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis, of Millmont, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 130.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Widows and Single Women of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 131.

An Act to establish municipal courts in cities of the second class; prescribing their powers and duties, regulating the procedure therein, providing for the expense thereof; prescribing the qualifications of the judges thereof; fixing their terms of office and salaries, and method of their selection; and providing for the abolishment of the office of police magistrate in cities of the second class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 132.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Friendless Children, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 133.

An Act making an appropriation to the United Zion Home at Warwick, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 134.

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like each member of the House to carefully examine in his Smull's handbook page 1057, Rule 39, not just at the present time, but I want to call the attention of the House to this Rule. My thought is that we will adjourn to meet this evening at five o'clock, if it is the wish of the House. The purpose of calling your attention to this Rule is that it refers to the Speaker's keeping proper order in the House, and also refers to the question of who shall be permitted the privilege of the floor of the House. The Speaker's thought is that we could keep much better order in the House if that Rule were enforced. It is one of the Rules that in the past has seldom been enforced. Your present Speaker does not desire to be harsh in the enforcement of the Rules of the House, but if it is the wish of the House that this Rule be enforced your Speaker stands ready to enforce it. My own personal judgment is that if this rule were enforced it would tend to expedite the business of the House, and it would give to our body a dignity that I think we owe the State. However, I want the members to think it over carefully, and this evening I would like to have an expression of the House on this particular Rule. The meeting for this evening of course, is for the purpose of referring bills that may be presented to-day.

I would suggest to the Chairmen of the various committees that they this afternoon organize and agree upon their procedure within their own respective committees. I again want to urge upon the members of Committees the importance of carefully considering and thoroughly understanding every bill that comes on the floor of the House. I am sure that you will all agree with me that if the Committees do their work carefully, it will expedite business on the floor of the House.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 11.55 A. M.) the House adjourned until this afternoon at 5.00 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, January 30, 1917.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 5.00 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. GANS. (By request) House Bill No. 135.

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the County Treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 136.

An Act to prohibit the manufacture, sale and gift of intoxicating liquor except for certain purposes and under certain conditions; providing penalties for its violation, and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the same.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 137.

A supplement to an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand nine hundred six (P. L. 63), entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and to provide penalties for violation of its provisions."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 138.

An Act making an appropriation to the Christian Home for Women.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 139.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 140.

An Act making an appropriation to the Christian Home, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MICHEL. House Bill No. 141.

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class, and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 142.

An Act providing for the examination, licensure and registration of persons, co-partnerships, associations or corporations engaging in the business or work of electrical construction, and any maintenance, alterations or repairing in connection therewith, in any buildings or structures, in cities of the second and third class of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. McKAY. House Bill No. 143.

An Act making an appropriation to the Nesbit West Side Hospital, at Dorranceton, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 144.

An Act making an appropriation to the Miners' Hospital of Northern Cambria, at Spangler, in Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 145.

An Act making an appropriation to the Johnstown City Hospital, of Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 146.

An Act making an appropriation to the Conemaugh Valley Memorial Hospital, at the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RICHARDS. House Bill No. 147.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for the Aged, one thousand eight hundred and nine Mount Vernon Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 148.

An Act making an appropriation to the J. C. Blair Memorial Hospital, located at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PETITION.

Mr. NEARY presented the petition of employes of H. C. Fox and Son of Philadelphia, praying for certain changes to the Child Labor Laws.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. WHITAKER from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended, House Bill No. 95, entitled:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws 203), to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the county of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the county of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse; and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan; and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

SENATE MESSAGE.

REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate:

In the Senate, January 29, 1917.

Whereas, The General Appropriation Bill enacted by the General Assembly of 1915 provided money in accordance with Section fifteen of Article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, The Appropriation period covered by the General Appropriation Bill of 1915 will expire on May 31, 1917;

Therefore, Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed to furnish, not later than March 1, 1917, the following information:

First: Items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the government for two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

Second: The amount expended from each appropriation between June 1, 1915, and December 31, 1916.

Third: The estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years commencing June 1, 1917, and ending May 31, 1919.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, January 30, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday evening, February fifth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, February fifth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,
Will the House concur in the resolution?
It was concurred in.
Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to say to the House with reference to Rule No. 39, called to your attention in the morning session, that the Chair is of the opinion that it would be wise to put that matter over until some time next week so that the members will have time to think it over.

There is another matter that I would like the members to think over and that is that if we have short sessions the members who have to travel a long distance are unable to go home in the interim. The thought has occurred to the Chair that it might be practical and we could get along with our work just as fast if we would work four or five days for two weeks and then take a recess for a week, it would then give the distant members a chance to go home such as the nearby members have. I would like the members of the House to discuss the matter among themselves, and I would be glad at any time to entertain a resolution along that line so that it can be discussed and passed upon.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 5.20 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, February 5, 1917, at 9.00 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, February 5, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, the Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God we have arrived at a momentous crisis in our National life. The solution of one of the world's most crucial problems is testing the genius of American statesmanship. We believe that we voice the feelings and thoughts of all sincere and loyal American citizens when we pray that Divine wisdom and supernatural self-control be given to the President of these United States and his advisers in this great crisis. May the very atmosphere of our great Nation be charged with the spirit of fairness and justice to all the nations involved in this terrible war and may the priceless and inalienable rights of Humanity be the uppermost thought in the minds of our distinguished American statesmen. These blessings we ask in our Saviour's name, Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. MAGEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 102, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb for maintenance and education of State pupils, and also a special appropriation for two deaf and blind pupils.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 103, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Midnight Mission of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police, and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 105, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Grand View Hospital, located near Sellersville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to validate all sales, public and private, and all mortgages, of real estate of decedents, heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts, upon petition of executors or administrators," approved the 10th day of April, 1915.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 107, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 108, entitled

An Act providing for the nomination and election of judges of courts of record, and repealing certain acts.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 109, entitled

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth, requiring nonresidents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth, providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions, and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Mr. SONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 110, entitled

An Act concerning transactions by banks and trust companies after twelve o'clock noon on Saturdays.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Mr. HALDEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 111, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Widows and Single Women of Lebanon and Lebanon County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, either in law or equity, in the Court of Common Pleas of

Dauphin County, any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department, through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 113, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Wilkes-Barre City Hospital.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 114, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property, under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three; defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 115, entitled

An Act to promote uniformity in all courts of record in issuing writs and process for the beginning of civil actions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 116, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act, entitled "An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment, by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof," approved the twenty-fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations, in certain cases, and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof, approved the 27th day of March, 1903 (Pamphlet Laws, Page 79).

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

An Act providing for the location, construction, operation and maintenance of public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth, either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities, boroughs and townships thereof; authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways, streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements, and for the supervision, maintenance and control of said highways, streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation; providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction, operation and maintenance of such improvements; providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads; and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONVEYING TO THE PRESIDENT AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES OF LOYAL SUPPORT IN THE PRESENT NATIONAL CRISIS AND CALLING UPON CITIZENS OF PENNSYLVANIA TO GIVE TO THE PRESIDENT AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PATRIOTIC SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE.

Mr. SPROUL offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Whereas, The President of the United States has informed the Congress that a very grave crisis exists in the international relations of the country which in his opinion may lead to the necessity of defending our national rights, dignity and honor by force of arms; all other reasonable and honorable means having failed after patient and forbearing negotiations, now, therefor be it

Resolved (if the House concur), that the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, sitting in General Assembly at Harrisburg, do send to the President and government of the United States assurances of the loyal support and full co-operation of Pennsylvania in every national undertaking which in their wisdom may be necessary to meet the situation and to protect and vindicate American rights, dignity and honor, wherever or by whom they may be endangered, and be it further

Resolved, That the General Assembly calls upon the people of Pennsylvania to give to the President and the Federal Government in all ways their patriotic support and assistance in whatever plans or measures may be required in the present emergency, as they have done in the past in every crisis in the nation's history; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor of the Commonwealth be and he is hereby requested to forward copies of these resolutions to the President of the United States and to the presiding officers of both of the Houses of Congress.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be suspended, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications, in writing, from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 5, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Jas. H. Trelear, Munhall.
Albert E. Coward, Pittsburgh.
Jas. A. Gribbin, Pittsburgh.
L. C. Heineman, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Estelle C. Miller, Pittsburgh.
A. C. Mills, Pittsburgh.
Edward J. Wilson, Pittsburgh.
Warren W. Zinsmaster, Pittsburgh.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Charles W. Wagner, Beaver Falls.

BERKS COUNTY.

W. D. Brumbach, Exeter Township.

ERIE COUNTY.

J. E. Hunt, Erie.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Miss Mary E. Whitmore, Greencastle.

INDIANA COUNTY.

William F. M. Gatti, Center Township.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Smith M. McCreight, Reynoldsville.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Miss Ida H. Nape, Scranton.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Ruth, Warwick Township.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

John B. McClister, Catasauqua.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Ruth E. Jacobs, Wyoming.
Jos. B. Reap, Pittston.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

M. Edward Toner, Jersey Shore.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Wilmer W. Miller, North Wales.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

William H. Orth, Mahoning Township.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Louis Andrew Berry, Philadelphia.
Clarence J. Gallagher, Philadelphia.
Miss Jennie C. Godanis, Philadelphia.
Mrs. Hester W. Heavner, Philadelphia.
Miss Caroline K. Kenworthy, Philadelphia.
J. W. Kenworthy, Philadelphia.
Miss Kathryn L. McLaughlin, Philadelphia.
Miss Blanche C. Martin, Philadelphia.
Harry C. Weber, Philadelphia.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

R. E. Finn, Clifford Township.

VENANGO COUNTY.

W. R. Daugherty, Oil City.
Frank E. Hedley, Franklin.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

James A. Richards, Ligonier Township.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 5, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss Ada M. Steele, Leetsdale, February 18, 1917.
Miss Mary B. Swisshelm, Pittsburgh, February 25, 1917.
Miss Emma H. Goodwin, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Fred C. Henzi, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

L. S. Mabry, Longswamp Township, February 9, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Miss Annie K. Miller, Altoona, February 6, 1917.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Irving M. Allis, Wyalusing, February 10, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

H. W. Smith, Johnstown, February 27, 1917.

CHESTER COUNTY.

John H. Voorhees, Kennett Square, February 10, 1917.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Edwin B. Lewis, Lansdowne, February 27, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

David R. Forbes, Quarryville, February 9, 1917.

LEBANON COUNTY.

W. L. Gelbach, Lebanon, February 18, 1917.
Isaac Kegerreis, Richland, February 26, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

David J. Nagle, Allentown, February 27, 1917.

McKEAN COUNTY.

Miss Elizabeth O'Mara, Bradford, February 18, 1917.

PERRY COUNTY.

Frank H. Zinn, Newport, February 27, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Chas. Cobb Van Riper, Philadelphia, February 10, 1917.
G. Alonzo Dwier, Philadelphia, February 19, 1917.
Edward Ramsey, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
Jacob W. Beby, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Chas. C. Eareckson, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Geo. E. Griffin, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Miss Clara F. McVay, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
John B. Rutherford, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Robert C. Cassidy, Burgettstown, February 25, 1917.
Robert Parkins, Roscoe, February 27, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

H. Albert Lauffer, Penn Township, February 19, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

Charles A. May, York, February 27, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—48.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sones,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Dalx,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Magee,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate, communication, in writing, from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which was read as follows, and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, D. Edward Long, of Chambersburg, to be Superintendent of the Department of Public Printing and Binding, for the term of four years, to compute from February 8, 1917, vice A. Nevin Pomeroy, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

RECESS.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for fifteen minutes.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners; and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act to amend section twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten, and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 121, entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same; and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction, and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved June second, one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven, entitled, "An Act supplementary to an act approved April twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred seventy-four, entitled, 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' amending the thirty-fourth section thereof, extending its provisions to fuel companies, providing for their capital stock and regulation, and giving them the power of eminent domain."

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 123, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pottsville Benevolent Home for Children, at Pottsville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 124, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pottsville Hospital, Pottsville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 125, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Commission for the transportation of honorably discharged soldiers who served in the Civil War to the dedication of certain statues erected at Gettysburg and for the expenses of said dedication; and empowering the Commission to carry out the purposes of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 126, entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities, organizations, composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Military Affairs.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported, as amended, Senate Bill No. 29, entitled

An Act to amend "The Public Service Company Law," approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred seventy-four), by creating the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Department of Internal Affairs; fixing the number of Commissioners, and their terms; making the Secretary of Internal Affairs the Chairman of the Commission; and fixing a time when the terms of the present commissioners shall cease.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported, as amended, Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven, of an act entitled, "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The PRESIDENT. If there be no objection the Chair would suggest that we proceed to the consideration of bills on second reading, only one of which appears on the Calendar, and bills on first reading, in order that the calendar may be cleared, and make bills on third reading the third and last order of business. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 18, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled, "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive, judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for

the two fiscal years beginning June one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section one. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to the judicial departments not provided for by said act, be and the same are hereby specifically appropriated to the several subjects heretofore named, be made in the manner prescribed by law: Provided that all sums hereby appropriated shall be paid on the warrant of the Auditor General drawn upon the State Treasurer unless otherwise prescribed by law.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. I move to amend Section 1 on page two in line 4 by striking out the word "subjects" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "objects"; also in line five by striking out the words "heretofore" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "hereafter"; also in line five by inserting after the word "named" the word "to."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2. For the payment to the Prothonotary of the Supreme and Superior Courts for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for moneys paid for extra clerk hire by him and to be paid by him up to the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, one thousand five hundred and seventy-seven and fifty one-hundredths dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 3. For the payment of contingent bills that have accrued and will accrue up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, for the Supreme Court, Eastern District, two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 4. For the payment of bills to accrue to the library fund up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, one thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 5. For the payment of contingent bills that have accrued and will accrue up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen for the Superior Court, one thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 6. For the payment of salaries to officers of the Superior Court that have accrued and will accrue up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the sum of one thousand fifty-seven and fifty one-hundredths dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled, "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive, judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line five, by striking out the word "one" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "first."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 4, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled, "An Act relating to the payment of fines and costs of persons committed to prisons and lockups and their discharge."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties, and providing for the administration of such funds and payments therefrom.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 6, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of the Act of Assembly approved the 28th day of March, 1907 entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the 8th day of June, A. D. 1911.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act relating to criminal procedure before aldermen, justices of the peace and magistrates in cases of certain indictable offenses and providing for the assessment of costs in such cases upon the prosecutor, defendant or county and the commitment of the prosecutor or defendant in case of default.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 9, entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 10, entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways in any county of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 11, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the eighteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act relating to surety of the peace and defining the procedure in such cases" by providing for the payment of costs by counties in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 12, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (P. L. 159), entitled "An Act relative to costs in suits before aldermen and justices of the peace and the collection of the same" as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 14, entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven, of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 198), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 15, entitled

An Act relating to costs in certain cases of summary conviction before aldermen, magistrates and justices of the peace, providing for the assessment of such costs upon the prosecutor or defendant and their commitment in case of default and providing for the payment of such costs by counties in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 16, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree, repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 22, entitled

An Act prohibiting the construction without consent of the owner of public sewers and drains over, across, through and under lands used or intended for use as a cemetery.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 31, entitled

An Act to amend section 3 of an Act, approved the 2nd day of May, 1899 (P. L. 184), entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods, wares and merchandise, and providing for the collection of said tax," by changing the date of appointment and term, and providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of mercantile appraisers in cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 32, entitled

A supplement to an act approved the 7th day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (P. L. 876), entitled "An Act regulating the legal business of the State Government, and the employment of attorneys therefor, and defining the duties of the various departments, bureaus, boards, agents and commissions in relation thereto;" conferring certain powers upon the Auditor General, State Treasurer and Secretary of Internal Affairs.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 33, entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 34, entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 39, entitled

An Act giving preferences to claims for rent in cases of bankruptcy and insolvency proceedings against tenants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 41, entitled

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribu-

tion of the estates of intestates," approved the eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, and the amendments thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act authorizing married women to make conveyances of her real estate without her husband joining therein, where the husband has by agreement duly executed and acknowledged, released his courtesy right or such right or estate as he may have or may inherit after the death of his wife in said real estate, whether he has in said release undertaken and agreed to join in a deed or deeds for the conveyance of said real estate or not, and validating all such conveyances heretofore made.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 50, entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 51, entitled

An Act authorizing the courts of Common Pleas to fix the compensation of the Prothonotary and assistants in computing the election returns, also the Congressional Return Judge in districts comprised of more than one county.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 55, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 58, entitled

At Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate bill No. 61, entitled

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate bill No. 65, entitled

An Act relating to desertion and non-support and directing imprisonment at hard labor in certain cases; providing for the payment of certain sums of money by either the institutions wherein the dependent is confined or the respective county for the support of dependents; providing for the appointment of desertion probation officers and for their salaries and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bail bonds, bonds or recognizances and providing for the payment by the county of the salaries and expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid side for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate bill No. 88, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the Commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such Commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the Commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said Commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the 19th day of June, 1911, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof, repealing the act approved the 31st day of May, 1907, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act approved the 4th day of June, 1883, entitled, 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the 17th Article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations, may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars, and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1907, and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the 29th day of April, 1874, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court, and conferring jurisdiction on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to dispose of certain pending appeals.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate bill No. 89, entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State Highways and State Aid Highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hun-

dred and seventeen, and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, relating to and regulating motor vehicles; and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said Act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and years subsequent thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate bill No. 1, as follows:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

Whereas, Statements have been made by reputable citizens and the responsible press of this Commonwealth alleging mal-administration on the part of public officers by their gross extravagance, by their misuse of public funds, by their continued absence from their respective offices, by their failure to properly discharge duties imposed upon them by statute, by their wilful, malicious and unnecessary delay in the transaction of public business, by their intimidation and coercion of employes and business interests by their misuse of appointive, administrative and regulative authority, by their alleged bribery in bargaining and selling as rewards for votes of members of the General Assembly offices and positions created by the public and supported by the public for the transaction of public business, by perjury on the part of certain officials in accepting public offices from which they have knowingly disqualified themselves by violating the Corrupt Practices Act of this Commonwealth, by repugnant and flagrant political activity on the part of semi-judicial officers, by the encroachment of the Executive upon the Legislative Branch of the Government, and

Whereas, Such officers debauch, defame and disgrace the fair name of this Commonwealth, demoralize the public service by their malfeasance and hold up to ridicule its citizenship, and

Whereas, The above-named charges and allegations concerning the conduct of public business by its recognized officials and subordinates have so aroused public sentiment concerning the administration of the affairs of this Commonwealth as to demand a full, free, unobstructed, comprehensive and impartial investigation of the public business; now, therefore.

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That a joint committee consisting of three (3) members of the Senate, one of whom shall be of a minority political party to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and four (4) members of the House, one of whom shall be a minority political party, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, be created for the purpose of making a full, free, unobstructed, comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges, and

Be it Further Resolved, That said joint committee is hereby directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor to hold such and as many hearings as it may deem necessary, to summon witnesses to further the purposes of this investigation, to issue subpoenas, administer oaths and compel the attendance of such witnesses, and the production of all such books, bills, checks, checkbooks, papers, minutes, records, vouchers, agreements and all each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent or germain to the inquiry, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the said joint committee shall be vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and all Acts of Assembly can confer upon such committee for the accomplishment of its purposes, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the said joint committee shall be authorized to employ auditors, accountants, counsel learned in the law, stenographers, clerks, messengers, investigators and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon said committee and to further the inquiry by them to be made, the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate is hereby directed to attend said joint committee, to serve all subponeas issued by it and generally to enforce all the orders which said joint committee is hereby authorized to make, and

Be it Further Resolved, That said joint committee shall from time to time report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as the members deem expedient, to the end that proper legislation may be enacted to remedy and prevent such abuse as may be found to exist and that said joint committee shall also be empowered to certify to the prosecuting officer or officers of the proper jurisdiction the proceedings of the committee, setting forth any violation or violations of law committed within their respective jurisdiction for such action as the law provides, and

Be it Further Resolved, That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person giving evidence before said joint committee tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in the corrupt practices above mentioned should be indicted and prosecuted for the offense disclosed by such evidence or admission so given or made by him or her, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to defray the expenses necessarily incurred by said joint committee in the discharge of the duties imposed upon it, and that payment shall be made on order of the Chairman of said joint committee and on warrant of the Auditor General in the manner now prescribed by law.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the bill on page 4, in line 11, by inserting after the word "and" the following: "That the said investigating committee shall make its final report to the General Assembly not later than June 1, 1917, and"

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the bill on page 2, line 8, by inserting after the word "and" the following: "Whereas the honesty and integrity of certain members of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth and the senior United States Senator from this Commonwealth have been attacked by persons prominent in the public service and by the public press, it having been charged that these legislative representatives of the people have been and in fact are the representatives and servitors of special interests seeking legislation to promote their selfish purposes rather than the public good,

"Whereas, This General Assembly cannot permit to go unchallenged the libeler and slanderer, or unpunished the public official who, if the charges be true, has so basely and wantonly betrayed the people of the Commonwealth, and." Also line 18, by inserting after the word "business" the following: "And whereas, such investigation should be conducted by men of whose fairness there can be no possible suspicion, whose eminence, worth and integrity as men and citizens are a guarantee of the fairness, impartiality and thoroughness of such investigation." Also line 22, by striking out all after the word "met" down to and including the word "and" on page 4, line 19, inserting in lieu thereof the following: "1.—That the Honorable John Stewart, of Franklin County; the Honorable Edwin S. Stuart, of Philadelphia; the Honorable Mayor Sulzberger, of Philadelphia; the Honorable William A. Glasgow and General Albert J. Logan, be, and they are hereby constituted a Commission to make a full, free, thorough, comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges, and the implications and intendments thereof, and all matters, facts, circumstances and things, directly or indirectly connected therewith. 2.—That the said Commission be and it hereby is directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor, to hold such and as many hearings as may be necessary, to summon witnesses to further the purposes of this investigation; to issue subpoenaes, administer oaths, and compel the attendance of such witnesses, and the production of all such books, bills, papers, minutes, records, vouchers, agreements, and of each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent and germane to the inquiry. 3.—That the said Commission be, and it hereby is vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and all Acts of Assembly can confer on such Commissions for the accomplishment of its purposes. 4.—That the said Commission be, and it hereby is authorized to employ auditors, accountants, counsel learned in law, stenographers, clerks, messengers, investigators, and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon it, and to further the inquiry by it to be made. The Commission is hereby authorized to appoint a marshal or marshals to attend it, to serve subpoenaes issued by it, and generally to enforce all the orders which it is hereby authorized to make. 5.—Said Commis-

sion shall, on or before May 1, 1917, report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as it deems expedient, to the end that proper legislation may be enacted, to remedy and prevent such abuses as may be found to exist, and said Commission is hereby empowered to certify to the prosecuting officer or officers of the proper jurisdiction its proceedings, setting forth any violation or violations of law committed within their respective jurisdictions for such action as may be provided by law. 6.—That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person giving evidence before said Commission tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in the corrupt and unlawful practices referred to in the said charges, should be indicted and prosecuted for the offense or offenses disclosed by such evidence or admissions so given by him or her, and that all such persons should be immune from prosecution for any offense or offenses concerning which they are compelled to testify before the said Commission, but this shall not be deemed or taken to exempt any person or persons from prosecution for perjury in giving such testimony. 7.—That any and all vacancies in the membership of the Commission hereby created, whether by death, resignation or declination to serve, shall be filled by the remaining members of said Commission, and any person so selected shall have the same power and authority as though he or she had been originally appointed and designated by name in this resolution."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I rise to a point of order.

The PRESIDENT. The Senator from Delaware, Mr. Sproul, will state his point of order.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, the Legislature cannot, I believe, under the Constitution, delegate its powers to any outside body, and this amendment would create a commission to which such powers were delegated. I raise this point, Mr. President, with great regret, for I would like an investigation of conditions here by just such a commission.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I object.

The PRESIDENT. The Senator from Delaware, Mr. Sproul, objects to the amendment.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, owing to the fact of these accusations of both parties, it is to be presumed by a Democrat that there is reason for investigation, and in presenting those amendments, I concluded that was a remedy for a fair and impartial investigation, and if the law is inadequate I am very sorry.

The PRESIDENT. For the information of the Senator from York the Chair would quote Section 1 of Article II of the Constitution, which reads: "The legislative power of this Commonwealth shall be vested in a General Assembly, which shall consist of a Senate and a House of Representatives." And all interpreters of the Constitution agree that the General Assembly cannot exercise any powers that have not been invested in it by constitutional mandate, neither can the General Assembly delegate any of the powers committed to it to any other body or any other person. A perusal of the authorities on the Constitution will convince the Senator that they unanimously agree on that point.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, in view of the fact that this resolution, Senate Bill No. 1, has been tossed around this Senate since January 22nd of this year, I move that a special order be set for its consideration on final passage for to-morrow at four o'clock, so that all the members may know of it and be present in their seats to pass upon it.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11.30 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, February 6, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, February 5, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Kind and Ever Blessed Father in Heaven, be with us now as we assemble in this evening hour, and bless us in our several capacities as Thou seeth that we stand in need of. Thou knowest our every shortcoming. O may we continue to delight in Thy law and ponder over it by day and by night.

We pray Thee that we may be like trees planted by the rivers of water that bring forth their fruit in due season, and that our leaves shall not wither, but that whatsoever we do may prosper and bear fruit an hundred fold.

Grant that we may be rooted and grounded in truth and render protection as the shade of a stately tree gives protection to man and beast.

Gracious God, cause us to have noble ideals, to attain lofty aspirations, and imbue most holy inspirations.

Give ear to our entreaties; consider our meditations: rebuke us not in Thine anger; chasten us not with Thy displeasure; cause us ever to put our trust in Thee.

Surely Thy blessing will be with us all. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, January 30, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, January 30, 1917, when, on the motion of Mr. Bovee, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. STRAUSS. House Bill No. 149.

An Act to amend an act, approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering township supervisors, in townships of the second class, to enter into contract with electric, gas, or other light companies, for the purpose of lighting and illuminating the streets, highways, and other public places in any village in said township; and to provide for the collection of funds for that purpose by levying a tax upon owners of property in the district benefited;" by providing also for the levying of a tax upon taxable residents in the district benefited.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GLASS. House Bill No. 150.

An Act making an appropriation to the Jewish Sheltering Home for the Homeless and Aged, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WYNNE. House Bill No. 151.

An Act making an appropriation for Pittston Hospital Association of Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 152.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Indiana and Jefferson.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 153.

An Act making an appropriation to the Western State Penitentiary.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 154.

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Aid Society of Western Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 155.

An Act making an appropriation to the Homeopathic Medical and Surgical Hospital and Dispensary of Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 156.

An Act making an appropriation to the Robert Packer Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 157.

An Act making an appropriation to the Bethesda Home.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RUDDY. House Bill No. 158.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Joseph's Foundling Home and Maternity Hospital, 1850 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 159.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Colored Children located in the City of Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 160.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Warren, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 161.

An Act regulating the compensation of County Auditors within this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 162.

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 163.

An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of County Commissioners in counties of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 164.

An Act validating certain returns of unpaid taxes on seated lands, filed in the offices of the several county treasurers, and also certain liens for taxes filed in the offices of the several prothonotaries where such taxes were legally assessed and actually remain unpaid.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 165.

An Act making an appropriation to the City Hospital Association of Washington, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 166.

A supplement to an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith;" providing for the use of all playgrounds, athletic fields and gymnasiums of all public schools, schools owned by the Commonwealth, and schools receiving State aid, by children not attending school.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SHATTUCK. House Bill No. 167.

An Act making an appropriation to the Meadville City Hospital, of Meadville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOUTON. House Bill No. 168.

An Act making an appropriation to the Citizens General Hospital, of New Kensington, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 169.

An Act making an oppropriation to the Hahnemann Hospital of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DEAN. House Bill No. 170.

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act, approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BENNINGER. House Bill No. 171.

An Act to amend section twenty-eight of an act approved the twenty-second day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals; defining domestic animals so as to include poultry; providing methods of improving the quality thereof, and of preventing, controlling, and eradicating diseases thereof imposing certain duties upon practitioners of veterinary medicine in Pennsylvania; regulating the manufacture, use and sale of tuberculin, mallein and other biological products for use with domestic animals; defining the powers and duties of the State Livestock Sanitary Board, and the officers and employes thereof; fixing the compensation of the Deputy State Veterinarian; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BENNINGER. House Bill No. 172.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Livestock Sanitary Board, to carry out the purposes of the act, entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease, and the compensation therefor," approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen; and defraying expenses of administering tuberculin tests.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BENNINGER. House Bill No. 173.

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same, requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part, requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the

State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid Highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 174.

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of Game Commissioners for the payment of the salaries and traveling expenses of its officers; the maintenance, establishment and protection of game preserves; feeding, propogation, purchase and distribution of game; the purchase or leasing of land for game preserves; and various incidental expenses necessary to the efficient performance of its work.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 175.

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the collection, revising, indexing and proof-reading of the material contained in the pamphlet known as "The Game, Fish and Forestry Laws" of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 176.

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (P. L. 19), entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties, providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation."

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

PETITIONS PRAYING FOR THE LOCATION OF A STATE HIGHWAY.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of citizens of Johnstown praying for the location of a State Highway to connect State Highway Route No. 222 with State Highway Route No. 119.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

He also presented the petitions of citizens of Windber Boro, Paint Township and Shade Township, Somerset County, praying for the location of a State Highway to connect State Highway Route No. 222 with State Highway Route No. 119.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. STRAUSS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sarig on account of sickness.

Mr. ERDMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Rinn on account of sickness.

Mr. NEARY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Lafferty on account of sickness.

Mr. KENNEDY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gormley on account of sickness.

RESOLUTIONS ENDORSING ACTION OF PRESIDENT WILSON.

Mr. Goodwin asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

RESOLUTION.

In the House of Representatives, February 5, 1917.

Whereas, the President of the United States has deemed it necessary for the honor of the United States, for the protection of its citizens, and for the welfare of humanity, to sever relations with the German Empire, therefore

Be it Resolved, That we, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, do hereby endorse the action of the President of the United States in severing relations with the German Empire, and pledge our full and hearty support to him in any difficulty that may arise through such action.

Resolved further, That this Resolution be spread upon the Journal and that a certified copy thereof be forwarded to the President of the United States by the Chief Clerk of this House.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. LAUCKS offered the following resolution which was twice read, and laid over under the rules:

Whereas, The President of these United States has felt it necessary to the maintenance of the honor and dignity of our country that the diplomatic relations between this Republic and the Imperial German Government be severed, therefore be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That we solemnly recognize the gravity of the situation which has interrupted the friendly relations heretofore existing between our Government and the German people, but fully realize that the action of the President of the United States was necessary to the preservation of the honor of the Nation and the dignity of our Government, and we, therefore, heartily commend him for the fearless devotion to the country's welfare and pledge to him the loyal support of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Clearfield, Mr. Phillips.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to read the following resolution:

Whereas, A crisis has arisen in the affairs of the nation and grave dangers may confront the Government of our Republic, and

Whereas, It is the duty of Pennsylvania, the State in which the Union was born, and which has never faltered in its loyalty to our Republic, to support the National Administration and the American Congress in its stand for American rights on the high seas, and

Whereas, It is highly essential that Pennsylvania should be represented in the United States Senate during the present crisis, therefore be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the Honorable Boies Penrose is hereby requested to remain in Washington during this great emergency and to give sober consideration to the office which he assumes to represent, and for the time being at least permit the Pennsylvania Legislature to conduct its own business, and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be disseminated and widely published throughout this Commonwealth by the newspapers of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so that all counties, cities, boroughs, townships, boards of education, school boards, public and private institutions throughout this Commonwealth, and private citizens, be informed of the adoption of this resolution by the General Assembly.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I ask that the resolution be read the second time.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the second reading of the resolution?

It was not agreed to.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. DRAKE offered the following resolution, which was twice read and laid over under the rules:

RESOLUTION ENDORSING ACTION OF PRESIDENT WILSON.

Resolved, That whereas diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany have been severed; and whereas, the people of the United States is confronted with a crises that calls for definite decision; and whereas, the General Assembly are confident that the President of the United States will not permit himself to be swerved from the path of manifest duty by evil advisors, realizing in this situation there is no partisanship, no thought of party, and whereas, the House of Representatives and the Senate of Pennsylvania are sincere in their belief that President Wilson's decision can be no other than for the good of keeping the Nation's faith—that such a decision will be a decision for right and not wrong, and waiting it with confidence and with calmness. For every sacrifice that keeping the faith of the Nation and maintaining its honor may entail, the General Assembly and the American people will be ready and the only sacrifice they are not now ready to make, nor ever will be, is the sacrifice of this

Nation's soul; and whereas, until American citizens have been killed by German submarines there is no sufficient ground for a declaration of war, and all the invectives heaped upon the President because he does not ask Congress to declare war immediately is as ignorant as it is unpatriotic; and whereas, it is an affront to the President of the United States and to the common sense of the country to give counsel of calmness, to urge resistance to public clamor of which there is none. Knowing that the President will find a way of conciliation if any way be open and if it does not lead to dishonor. Believing in entering upon transactions of this magnitude and this seriousness, the American people see not one side alone, they have in full view the possible consequences of a breach of friendly relationship with Germany. They know where it will lead. But against them we weigh with a sense no less just what would befall us if we supinely put up with the injuries Germany threatens to inflict if we bore without resistance the wrongs she will commit against our rights, our dignity as a Nation, our property, and against the security of the very lives of our citizens.

Therefore be it resolved (if the Senate concur), That the House of Representatives and the Senate of this Great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pledge our support and the support of our people to President Wilson in the great crisis existing between our Government and Germany, and to stand behind the President and the Federal Government in his course toward Germany in preserving the honor and integrity of this great Nation, expressing the hope that peace may still be continued with honor. Be it further resolved, That Martin G. Brumbaugh, Governor of this great Commonwealth, be instructed to inform President Wilson that the State stands firm behind him with all resources at its command in this present inter-national crisis.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. WALLACE offered the following resolution, which was twice read and laid over under the rules:

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Slate Committee of the House of Representatives is instructed to report to this body not later than Tuesday, February 13, 1917, the name, home address, salary and occupation of every employe of the pay-roll of the House of Representatives for the session of 1917, together with the name or names of the person or persons who recommended such employes for appointment, and set forth whether or not the person appointed is actually rendering the service for which he was appointed.

Be it Further Resolved, That a statement of the current expenditures of all persons employed by the House of Representatives for telephoning, traveling, and any other items of expense which have been charged to the State since the beginning of the session to and including February 7, 1917, be included in the report to be made under the direction of this resolution.

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order. This is a resclution submitted to this House for unanimous consent.

The SPEAKER. I would remind the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cox, that there are only certain resolutions that can come up for immediate consideration. All others lie over under the rules.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, this is a question of inquiry for information.

The SPEAKER. The Chair does not so understand the resolution. It is not a department that the inquiry applies to. I would remind the gentleman from Philadelphia that it applies to an individual. The gentleman has a right to appeal from the Chair's decision.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 95, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws 203), to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse; and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan; and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. I think most of the members of the House will agree with me that this is a very good time to work inside. The weather conditions are such that I do not think any of the farmer members will want to work on the outside, at least this week. Therefore, I would suggest that if the Committees will get together we can do considerable work. I hope that the Chairmen of the various Committees will do what they can to get out, after careful consideration, whatever bills they may have in their hands.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 9.25 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10.00 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, February 6, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer

Almighty God, in this great national crisis, through which we are passing, Thou hast given to us a President who has proven himself to be the man of the hour. In every crucial period of American history we have been similarly favored. The State of Pennsylvania unanimously endorses the action taken by this Senate in committing its citizens to the enthusiastic support of the President in his purpose to defend and protect all American rights. So guide us we pray Thee that our great leaders may be calm and considerate, just and deliberate, in all their decisions and in all of their acts. We pray these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT—A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. MAGEE asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Semmens.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. ENDSLEY, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the 24th day of July, A. D. 1913 (P. L. 1018), entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract, to repair, build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars," by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than one thousand dollars.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act to amend sections twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten, and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 84, entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 46, entitled

An Act to prevent the manufacture, sale, offering or exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell adulterated or misbranded alcoholic and intoxicating liquors; imposing certain powers and duties on the Dairy and Food Commissioner, and prescribing penalties.

Also from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 62, entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the eleventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health, by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food, as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof, approved the eleventh day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food, within the meaning of said act; and providing penalties for the violation thereof,'" providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, copartnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of separating good from bad eggs by the candling process, or of breaking eggs and using the contents thereof; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purposes of analysis; and providing penalties.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

An Act providing for the location, construction, operation and maintenance of public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth, either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities, boroughs and townships thereof; authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways, streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements, and for the supervision, maintenance and control of said highways, streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation; providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction, operation and maintenance of such improvements; providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads; and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations, in certain cases, and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof, approved the 27th day of March, 1903 (Pamphlet Laws, Page 79).

Mr. HALDEMAN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 126, entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities, organizations, composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county road; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of the township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation, the following nominations, made by His Excellency, the Governor, which were laid over for one day under the rules

MANAGER STATE INDUSTRIAL REFORMATORY.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas G. Crownover, to be a manager of the State Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon, Pa., for the term of ten years, to compute from May 15, 1916.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMISSIONERS OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Edwin C. Potter, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence at Providence, Rhode Island, for the term of five years, to be computed from the date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Wm. H. Pauling Emrich, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvation, with residence in the City of Paris, Republic of France, for the term of five years from the date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ALDERMAN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, P. H. Seltzer, to be an Alderman in and for the Fourth Ward of the City of Lebanon, County of Lebanon, until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice David C. Smith, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William F. Taylor, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Elizabeth, County of Allegheny, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice George W. Wright, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 24, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Charles J. Harrison, Jr., to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Robert S. Meyers, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Leonard D. Pittman, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Cherry Tree, County of Indiana, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. G. Sechler, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor to hereby nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John A. Price, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Lower Salford, Montgomery County, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Isaiah T. Haldeman, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis, his wife, residents of Washington Township, County of Erie, to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

Mr. NASON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and

powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 98, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of July, 1885, entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen, in the several counties of this Commonwealth."

Also from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products; and prescribing penalties.

Mr. LYNCH, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and making certain exceptions, and providing a Board of Optometrical Education, Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained, and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act, and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board, and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 116, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act, entitled "An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment, by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof," approved the twenty-fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

Mr. MAGEE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, either in law or equity, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department, through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Also from the Committee on Judciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 114, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property, under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three; defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CROFT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 127, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Charity Hospital, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 128, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane for the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania, located at Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 129, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Homeopathic Hospital of Pottstown, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 130, entitled

An Act to transfer from the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace to the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth the power to grant, renew, extend, transfer and revoke licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixtures thereof; providing for and directing the granting of licenses by such county commissioners and the issuance of the same by the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace; limiting the number of new licenses to be granted by the said county commissioners, fixing the compensation of the said county commissioners for the additional services required of them under this act; authorizing the said county commissioners to employ and pay for clerical assistance and to make rules of procedure to enable them to carry out the provisions hereof, and directing mercantile appraisers and constables to make their returns regarding liquor licenses to said county commissioners instead of to the courts of quarter sessions of the peace.

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 131, entitled

An Act to prohibit the manufacture, sale and gift of intoxicating liquor except for certain purposes and under cerconditions; providing penalties for its violation, and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. W. W. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 132, entitled

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 133, entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 134, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

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Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 136, entitled

An Act requiring the inspection of all stationary steam engines and steam boilers in cities of the first class by the Bureau of Steam Engine and Boiler Inspection in said cities, and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 137, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of, and contract for, supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. MILLER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 138, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Clearfield Hospital.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 139, entitled

An Act relating to division fences in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class; regulating the nature, height, materials and kind thereof, defining the same, and, in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines; also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height, except under a permit.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 140, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class except under a permit, declaring certain fences a private nuisance and their erection a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 141, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Hahnemann Hospital of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 142, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the West Side Hospital Association of the City of Scranton.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 143, entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the Courts of Common Pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 144, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the 12th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 711), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the county of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process, or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 145, entitled

An Act providing that township and county roads not used by the public for twenty-one years shall be deemed vacated, and prescribing a method of entering such vacation of record.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 146, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Wyoming and Susquehanna Counties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 147, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlat Laws two hundred seventy-five), entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights; and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," as amended; by fixing the terms of city and county inspectors at four years; and regulating the terms of inspectors now in office.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 148, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners; defining their duties, and providing for their expenses.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. LEIBY, by request, read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 149, entitled

An Act to amend section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work to be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance, and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways, and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. SASSAMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 150, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the erection at the City of Reading of a bronze statue in memory of General David McMurtrie Gregg, and providing for the appointment of a commission to supervise the erection thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. R. E. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 151, entitled

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof, by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting of licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited.

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 152, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. MAGEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 153, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 154, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Roselia Foundling Asylum and Maternity Hospital of the City of Pittsburgh.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid upon the table.

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR INFORMATION AS TO SENATE EMPLOYES.

Mr. A. E. SMITH offered the following resolution, which was twice read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Slate Committee of the Senate is hereby requested to report to the Senate not later than Tuesday, February 13, 1917, the names, home address, salary, and occupation of all employes on the payroll of the Senate for the session of 1917, together with the name of the person or persons who recommended such employes for appointment, and to set forth the fact whether or not the person appointed to each place is actually performing the duties for which he was appointed.

Be it further resolved, That a statement of the current expenditures of all persons employed by the State for telephoning, traveling and any other items of expense which have been charged to the State since the opening of the session, to and including February 7, 1917, be included in the report to be made under the direction of this resolution.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, February 7, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns on Wednesday, February seventh, it be to meet on Monday evening, February twelfth, at nine-thirty o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, February twelfth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION CONVEYING TO THE PRESIDENT AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES OF LOYAL SUPPORT IN THE PRESENT NATIONAL CRISIS AND CALLING UPON CITIZENS OF PENNSYLVANIA TO GIVE TO THE PRESIDENT AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PATRIOTIC SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in Resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 5, 1917.

Whereas, The President of the United States has informed the Congress that a very grave crisis exists in the international relations of the country which in his opinion may lead to the necessity of defending our national rights, dignity and honor by force of arms; all other reasonable and honorable means having failed after patient and forbearing negotiations, now therefor be it

Resolved (if the House concur), That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, sitting in General Assembly at Harrisburg, do send to the President and Government of the United States assurances of the loyal support and full co-operation of Pennsylvania in every national undertaking which in their wisdom may be necessary to meet the situation and to protect and vindicate American rights, dignity and honor, wherever or by whom they may be endangered, and be it further

Resolved, That the General Assembly calls upon the people of Pennsylvania to give to the President and the Federal Government in all ways their patriotic support and assistance in whatever plans or measures may be required in the present emergency, as they have done in the past in every crisis in the nation's history; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor of the Commonwealth be and he is hereby requested to forward copies of these resolutions to the President of the United States and to the presiding officers of both of the Houses of Congress.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

TRUSTEE TO ADMINISTER MOTHERS' ASSISTANCE FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADAMS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Mrs. Elmer Buckey, of Littletown, Pa., to be a Trustee to administer the Mothers' Assistance Fund for the County of Adams, until lawfully determined or annulled, vice Mrs. J. J. Hill, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

TRUSTEE TO ADMINISTER MOTHERS' ASSISTANCE FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Trustees to administer the Mothers' Assistance Fund for the County of Lancaster, until lawfully determined or annulled:

Mrs. Wm. N. Appel, Lancaster.
Mrs. James D. Landis, Lancaster.
Mrs. Belle Patterson Evans, Furniss.
Mrs. J. Hay Brown, Paradise.
Mrs. W. L. Bucher, Columbia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, R. A. Tomb, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Washington, County of Westmoreland, until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. B. Alcorn, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

RECESS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW from the Committee on Executive Nominations reported with a favorable recommendation all the nominations received from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, at to-day's session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to lie on the table one day, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—48.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sones,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Washers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Magee,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING TO PERFORM ALL DUTIES AND TO EXERCISE ALL POWERS BY LAW IMPOSED ON THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING UNTIL AN APPOINTMENT TO FILL SAID OFFICE IS CONFIRMED.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read as follows:

Whereas, Because of the resignation of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding and because no appointment to fill the resulting vacancy has as yet been confirmed, there is no person authorized to perform the duties or to exercise the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding; and

Whereas, It is desirable and necessary for the proper administration of the Department of Public Printing and Binding that there be a person vested in the said powers and duties; therefore

Be it resolved, (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Printing and Binding is hereby authorized, until an appointment to the office of Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is confirmed by the Senate, to perform all the duties and to exercise all the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding, with like effect as if the same had been done by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding regularly appointed and confirmed.

The Chief Clerk shall receive and open all bids, and shall award contracts for executing the public printing and binding for term of four years from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, as provided by the general law.

The Chief Clerk shall also sign and approve all pay rolls and all other orders and vouchers which the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is by law authorized to sign and approve.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be suspended in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SALUS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 155, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Commission, appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages, and so forth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 156, entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled, "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance; and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of certain soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one to sixty-five; conferring certain powers and duties on the Auditor-General, and making an appropriation.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the thir dreading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 18, as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled, "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive, judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

Section one. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to the judicial departments not provided for by said act, be and the same are hereby specifically appropriated to the several objects hereinafter named, be made in the manner prescribed by law: Provided that all sums hereby appropriated shall be paid on the warrant of the Auditor General drawn upon the State Treasurer unless otherwise prescribed by law.

Section 2. For the payment to the Prothonotary of the Supreme and Superior Courts for the Eastern District of

Pennsylvania for moneys paid for extra clerk hire by him and to be paid by him up to the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, one thousand five hundred and seventy-seven and fifty one-hundredths dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 3. For the payment of contingent bills that have accrued and will accrue up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, for the Supreme Court, Eastern District, two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 4. For the payment of bills to accrue to the library fund up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, one thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 5. For the payment of contingent bills that have accrued and will accrue up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen for the Superior Court, one thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Section 6. For the payment of salaries to officers of the Superior Court that have accrued and will accrue up to May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the sum of one thousand fifty-seven and fifty one-hundredths dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Warner,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Magee,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Sones,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 4, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to the payment of fines and costs of persons committed to prisons and lockups and their discharge"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-five) entitled "An Act relating to the payment of fines and costs of persons committed to prisons and lockups and their discharge" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person committed by an alderman magistrate or justice of the peace to a county prison or city or borough or township lockup in default of payment of a fine and costs may pay such fine and costs to any duly elected alderman magistrate or justice of the peace of said county and shall be discharged and released by the warden or keeper of any prison station-house or any place wherein said defendant is incarcerated upon the presentation of a discharge signed and sealed by the said alderman magistrate or justice of the peace" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person committed by an alderman magistrate or justice of the peace to a county prison or city or borough or township lockup in default of payment of a fine and costs may pay such fine and costs to the alderman magistrate or justice of the peace by whom such person was committed and shall be discharged and released by the warden or keeper of any prison station-house or any place wherein said defendant is incarcerated upon the presentation of a discharge signed and sealed by the said alderman magistrate or justice of the peace

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

RECONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 4.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 4, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled, "An Act relating to the payment of fines and costs of persons committed to prisons and lockups and their discharge.

passed second reading.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

The motion was agreed to,

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second reading?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the Senate agreed to the title.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the Senate agreed to Section 1.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring?

Will the Senate agree to the section?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 5, as follows:

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a county employe for the purposes of this act is any person employed by the county at a wage or salary payable at stated intervals that is to say semi-monthly monthly quarterly or annually The term does not include any person elected by the vote of the people

Section 2 Each county having a population exceeding one million inhabitants but not exceeding one million five hundred thousand inhabitants shall provide a pension system for such county and shall establish and regulate a pension fund in connection therewith

Section 3 The pension system shall be under the sole direction of a Pension Board hereinafter designated the board which shall consist of the county commissioners the treasurer and the controller of the county

Section 4 The county treasurer shall be the treasurer of the board and shall give such bond for the proper performance of his duties as is required by the board The premium on said bond shall be paid from the pension fund on warrants of the board. The treasurer shall receive for his services the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) per annum from the pension fund payable on warrants of the board

Section 5 The board shall keep a register of employes containing the names ages residence nature of employment time of entering the employ of the county and such other information as the board deems necessary in the perform-

ance of its duties The board may adopt amend revise and abolish in its discretion such regulations not inconsistent with law as it deems necessary in carrying out the intent of this act

Section 6 The head of each department or office of the county shall as soon as practicable after the passage of this act file with the board a list of all employes of such department or office with the amount of the salary or wage received by each the age of the employe time of entering the county employ and such other information relative to such employes as is required by the board From time to time and whenever requested by the board all dismissals appointments resignations transfers changes in salaries or in employment and other information relative to employes shall be furnished to the board by the head of each such department or office

Section 7 The county commissioners shall annually in January appropriate and pay into the pension fund not less than one-half of one per centum and not more than two per centum of all moneys received by the county as taxes from all sources during the preceding calendar year All moneys in any pension fund heretofore established shall be transferred to the pension fund created under this act

Section 8 Each county employe shall each month pay into the pension fund one per centum of the amount received by him as salary or ages from the county during the preceding calendar month Such amounts shall be collected by the county treasurer and by him paid into the pension fund Such monthly payments by an employe shall cease when such employe is entitled to receive a pension under this act No employe shall be entitled to a pension who does not make the monthly payments herein required

Section 9 The board may in its discretion invest the moneys of the pension fund or any part thereof in obligations of the United States or of this State or of any political division of this State or it may deposit such moneys or any part thereof in one or more banks or trust companies of the county selected by the board the banks or trust companies offering to pay the highest rate of interest and that have a paid in capital and surplus of not less than three hundred thousand dollars shall be selected A contract with a depository shall be for a period covering the term of the county treasurer. No moneys shall be paid to a depository until it shall have executed to the board a bond for the proper safeguarding of the funds so deposited The bond shall have such surety as is approved by the court of common pleas No moneys exceeding in the aggregate the amount of the bond shall be paid to any depository

Section 10 Every person now or hereafter in the employ of the county who has reached the age of fifty years or upwards and who shall have been in the employ of the county during a period of not less than twenty years shall upon application to the board be retired from service and shall thereafter receive during life a pension under the provisions of this act The time spent in the employ of the county need not necessarily have been continuous

Section 11 Any employe who has been in the county employ for a period of not less than ten years shall be entitled to a pension if he or she becomes totally and permanently disabled even though such employe has not reached the age of fifty years Proof of total and permanent disability shall be by the sworn statement of three practicing physicians of the county designated by the board to the effect that such employe is totally and permanently disabled from performing the duties of his or her position or office

Section 12 The pension paid under the provisions of this act shall equal annually fifty per centum of the average annual amount received by the employe as salary or wages during the two years immediately preceding the date of retirement of the employe receiving the pension No pension shall exceed the sum of one hundred dollars per month Pensions shall be paid in monthly installments on warrants on the board

Section 13. If any employe after twenty years in the county employ is dismissed or retire voluntarily or is in any other manner deprived of his or her employment before attaining the age of fifty years such employe if he continues to contribute to the pension fund monthly a sum equal to the last monthly contribution paid while in the county employ shall when he or she reaches the age of fifty years be entitled to a pension under this act

Section 14 If any county employe contributing monthly to the pension fund shall for any cause cease to be an employe of the county before the expiration of the twenty year period the total amount of the contributions paid into the pension fund by such employe shall upon demand in writing be repaid to him or to her or to his or her personal representative out of the fund

Section 15 Should any county employe who has withdrawn his contributions paid into the pension fund desire to be reinstated and again become a beneficiary he or she may do so by the payment in full of the amount withdrawn and by paying the assessments provided for in section eight of this act

Section 16 Any pension herein provided for shall not be subject to execution or to attachment shall be payable only to the beneficiary provided by this act and shall not be subject to assignment or transfer

Section 17 The act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and eighty-five) entitled "An Act requiring each county having a population of less than one million five hundred thousand and over one million to establish a pension fund for employes of said county and regulating the payment of such pensions" is hereby repealed All other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 6, as follows:

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section first of the Act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand" approved the eighth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act of March twenty-eighth one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws thirty-seven) as amended by the first section of the act of June eighth one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and four) which reads as follows

"Section 1 That in all counties of this Commonwealth containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand as computed by the United States census of the year one thousand nine hundred and ten the county controller shall be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to designate and appoint one person learned in the law to act as his solicitor It shall be the duty of said solicitor to advise upon all such legal matters as may be submitted to him and to conduct any litigation desired by said county controller He shall hold office at the pleasure of the controller and shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum to be paid out of the county treasury" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 That in all counties of this Commonwealth containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand as computed by the last preceding United States census the county controller shall be and he is hereby authorized tnd empowered to designate and appoint one person learned in the law to act as his solicitor

It shall be the duty of said solicitor to advise upon all such legal matters as may be submitted to him and to conduct any litigation desired by said county controller He shall hold office at the pleasure of the controller and shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum to be paid out of the county treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act relating to criminal procedure before aldermen, justices of the peace and magistrates in cases of certain indictable offenses and providing for the assessment of costs in such cases upon the prosecutor, defendant or county and the commitment of the prosecutor or defendant in case of default.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases of persons charged with indictable offenses except those triable in the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery the alderman justice of the peace or magistrate before whom such case is instituted shall before he binds any person so charged over to the court of quarter sessions upon the oath of any complaint enter into a full hearing and investigation of the facts charged and shall only bind over the defendant when he is satisfied from the evidence that the prosecution is reasonably well founded

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 8, as follows:

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the salary of the county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population shall be five thousand ($5,000) dollars per annum

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistant herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 9, as follows:

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies

Whereas In and by the establishment of paid fire departments voluntary fire companies are superceded and as such their services as firemen dispensed with

And whereas Many companies in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have been incorporated either by the Legislature or by the courts under authority given by law

And whereas Some of the companies when such paid fire department is established may be desirous of continuing and maintaining their existence as corporations but for a different purpose than the object specified in their charter or act of incorporation whilst others are desirous of disbanding or dissolving and surrendering the powers vested in them by their charters or acts of incorporation and dividing amongst such of their members as may be entitled thereto whatever property or effects they may be seized possessed of or enjoy or the proceeds thereof

And whereas Doubts have arisen whether under any law usage or practice now in force or prevailing in this Commonwealth it is competent for any of the incorporated companies to disband or dissolve and divide amongst their members the property effects or proceeds thereof belonging to such corporation or to change the object for which they have been incorporated for the purpose therefore of providing a mode whereby any of the said companies may change the object for which they were or have been organized and incorporated or to disband dissolve and surrender the powers and authorities vested in them by virtue of their charter or acts of incorporation by whomsoever granted or allowed

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any incorporated fire company (including therein engine hose or hook and ladder companies by whatever name called) upon the establishment of a paid fire department by the municipality the domicile of said incorporated fire company that may be desirous of continuing or maintaining their corporate existence for literary charitable benevolent or loan and trust purpose whatever or as a hall association or society for the mutual benefit of its members may by a vote of the majority of its members present (who by the laws of the particular company are or may be entitled to vote) at a stated meeting after at least one month's notice has been given declare the purpose and object for which they desire to continue as aforesaid Such company shall within three months thereafter present their petition to the court of common pleas of said municipality and county praying that the purpose or object for which they may desire to continue their corporate existence as aforesaid may be approved by said court whereupon said petition shall be filed and if the object or purpose therein expressed and stated shall appear to the judges of the said court to be lawful and not injurious to the community and if no sufficient objection thereto be shown by any person or persons interested therein the said court shall on the first day of the next succeeding term not less than four weeks after the filing of the said petition enter their decree approving of the object or purpose for which such corporation shall thereafter continue a certified copy of which decree shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of said county and thereupon such object or purpose shall supersede the object or purpose named or expressed in the charter or act of incorporation of said company and shall be as valid and binding as if the same had been the original object or purpose for which such company had been incorporated And such company may also issue shares of stock not exceeding in amount the value of their property and effects and distribute the same to and amongst the members thereof entitled thereto said shares to be assignable and transferable in the usual manner the holder or holders of any share or shares to be entitled to one vote for each and every share held by him her or them such company may also by and with the assent and approval of the said court change the name of such corporation and provide for its management by such officers and board of directors or managers not exceeding seven in number exclusive of president and treasurer as to them may seem just and expedient

Section 2 That if any of the companies named in the first section of this act shall be desirous of disbanding dissolving and surrendering their corporate existence it shall and may be lawful for them so to do and the property and effects or the proceeds thereof may be distributed and divided to and among the members entitled thereto under the following conditions to-wit

First Such company shall give at least six months' notice of their intention to dissolve and surrender their corporate existence by advertisement in at least one daily newspaper published in said county to be designated by the court of common pleas upon application by the proper company, said advertisement to be published at least once a week for four weeks or continuously for one week

Second Such company shall through its secretary or by a committee appointed for that purpose make a roll of all such members who are entitled to participate in the distribution of its property or the proceeds thereof who may apply to him or to them personally or otherwise said roll shall be kept open during the whole of the said aforesaid six months and it shall be the duty of such secretary or committee to enter upon such roll the name or names of any and all members who may apply as aforesaid who are known to him or them or if unknown who shall produce satisfactory evidence that he or they is or are entitled to have his or their name or names placed on said roll and said roll shall at the expiration of said six months be verified by the oath or affirmation of said secretary or committee.

Third Such company shall immediately after the expiration of said six months appoint a committee of not less than three members which committee in conjunction with the president and treasurer of said company shall make out and sign a schedule of the description amount and value of all the property and effects of such company the names of all persons who are included within the provisions of clause second of this section and the description amount and value of the property effects or moneys allotted to each of such persons respectively and which shall be as nearly equal as may be and which schedule shall be verified by oath or affirmation of a majority of such committee one of whom shall be the president or treasurer and said schedule shall be submitted to a stated meeting of said company and if approved by a vote of the majority or such members present as are included in the second clause hereof shall be final and conclusive

Fourth As soon as all steps and proceedings provided for in this section shall have been completed a certified copy thereof shall be made out attested by the signatures of the officers of such company and by the seal of the corporation and shall be duly acknowledged as in the case of a deed made by a corporation and recorded in the office for recording deeds at cetera for said municipality and county and thereafter such corporation shall be dissolved and cease to exist and all the powers and authorities thereto belonging shall become and be null and void and of no effect except such as are necessary to carry this act into effect the distribution of the property and effects of such company shall be made as soon after the approval of the schedule mentioned in clause third as may be convenient Provided That nothing herein contained shall be construed as to prevent any person who may deem himself aggrieved by the action of any company in his case applying to the proper court for redress by bill in equity or upon or for a mandamus upon his giving such security as the court may determine to pay all damages that may be incurred and all costs that may accrue if the decree of the court upon final hearing shall be against him and a part of such costs shall be a reasonable counsel fee to be allowed by the court in the particular case and fixed by the decree

Section 3 That in the event of any of the companies included within the provision of this act, changing by virtue of the provision hereof into stock companies, the shares into which the capital stock of such corporation may be divided, shall be issued to such of the members of said company as were required to perform active services as a condition of membership or who may have been transferred from the active roll to the roll of honorary members as a reward or token of recognition for previous active services and to those only who may have signed the constitution or by-laws of such company and in case of a total dissolution of such company under the provision of the second section of this act those members only who are designated in this section shall be entiled to a distributive share of the proceeds of the property of such company.

Section 4 If in any case any number of the active and honorary members either or both of any company not less than ten in number may desire to perpetuate the corporate existence of any company either for social purposes or for any of the purposes mentioned in the first section of this act and a majority of such company may desire to dissolve as aforesaid it shall and may be lawful for such members by signing and presenting to such company an agreement in writing to perpetuate the existence of such corporation to take unto themselves the liabilities and responsibilities imposed and to enjoy the privileges granted in and by the charter of such company and in such case the proceedings directed in and by the second section of this act shall be pursued except as to the division of their property and the recording the proceedings in lieu of which after the amount of dividend shall

have been ascertained and approved as aforesaid the receipt of such dividend by any member shall be construed to be a resignation and shall be so entered upon the books of such company and the members so receiving a dividend shall thenceforth cease to be a member of such corporation or company Provided That it shall and may be lawful for any company to purchase the right of any member and upon the payment of the agreed price the membership of such person shall thereupon terminate.

Section 5 That the sales by any company included in the first section of this act hereafter made shall be deemed and taken to have been made pursuant to the provisions of this act and are hereby declared to be valid and to vest the title to such property in the purchasers of such property

Section 6 It shall and may be lawful for any of the companies mentioned in the first section of this act to accept the provisions of this act as a supplement to the charter or act of incorporation of such company by the vote of a majority of the members entitled to vote who may be present at any stated meeting of such company and if so accepted the provisions hereof shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the charter or act of incorporation of such accepting company except where a particular number have a right to continue Provided That nothing contained in this act shall be held to affect the right of any member or companies as the same have been heretofore adjudicated by any court and the same are hereby confirmed

Provided That this act shall not repeal or affect the provisions of any special law relating to the same subject in any county township borough or city in this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 10, entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways in any county of the Commonwealth.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any county of this Commonwealth may appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of any State highway or State aid highway within its proper limits Provided however that no improvement can be made to the aforesaid highways until the same has been submitted and approved by the State Highway Department

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, line 6, by inserting after the word "highway" where it occurs the second time, the words "or any public highway"; also line 8, by inserting after the word "aforesaid" the word "state"; also line 8, by inserting after the word "highways" the words "or state-aid highways."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways in any county of the Commonwealth.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 4, by inserting after the word "highways" the words "or any public highway."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 11, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the eighteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act relating to surety of the peace and defining the procedure in such cases" by providing for the payment of costs by counties in certain cases

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act approved the eighteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-two) entitled 'An Act relating to surety of the peace and defining the procedure in such cases" which reads as follows

"Section 2 In all cases in which the evidence does not show that the threats were maliciously made by the defendant and with intent to do harm and that the prosecutor is actually in danger of being hurt in body or estate it shall be the duty of the justice to discharge the defendant and to determine how and by whom the costs shall be paid and in determining the question of the payment of the costs he may find that the prosecutor pay them all that the defendant pay them all or that the prosecutor and defendant pay them in equal or unequal proportions and in default of payment may commit the person or persons adjudged to pay the costs to the county jail until they are paid or until such person is discharged according to law" is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 2 In all cases in which the evidence does not show that the threats were maliciously made by the defendant and with intent to do harm and that the prosecutor is actually in danger of being hurt in body or estate it shall be the duty of the justice to discharge the defendant and to determine how and by whom the costs shall be paid and in determining the question of the payment of the costs he may find that the prosecutor pay them all that the defendant pay them all or that the prosecutor and defendant pay them in equal or unequal proportions and in default of payment may commit the person or persons adjudged to pay the costs to the county jail until they are paid or until such person is discharged according to law Whenever any person is committed to jail for non-payment of costs such costs shall be paid by the county out of the county treasury

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together wit hthe further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 12, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-nine) entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties" is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and fifty-nine)

entitled, "An Act relative to costs in suits before aldermen and justices of the peace and the collection of the same," as amended.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and fifty-nine) entitled "An Act relative to costs in suit before aldermen and justices of the peace and the collection of the same" which as amended by an act approved the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and six) entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relative to costs in suits before aldermen and justices of the peace and the collection of the same' approved the twenty-fourth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five providing that when an appellant shall enter good and sufficient bail absolute for the payment of debt interest and costs on affirmance of the judgment in which case the appellant shall not be required to pay the costs before taking such appeal" reads as follows

"That in all cases of appeal from the judgment of an alderman or justice of the peace the said alderman or justice shall be entitled to demand and receive from the appellant shall not be required to pay any costs before of the transcripts for said appeal and if the appellant shall finally recover judgment in the case appealed he shall be entitled to receive and collect from the adverse party the costs so as aforesaid paid on appeal (Provided however That if any appellant shall give good and sufficient bail absolute for the payment of debt interest and costs that have and will accrue on affirmance of the judgment the appellant shall not be required to pay any costs before taking an appeal") is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 1 That in all cases of appeal from the judgment of an alderman or justice of the peace the said alderman or justice shall be entitled to demand and receive from the appellant the costs in the case before making and delivery of the transcripts for said appeal and if the appellant shall finally recover judgment in the case appealed he shall be entitled to receive and collect from the adverse party the costs so as aforesaid paid on appeal

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 14, as follows:

An Act to amend part of clause (d) section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-eight) entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" as amended by providing that information in cases of desertion and none support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of clause (d) of section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-eight) entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" which as amended by the act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and forty-five) and the act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six) reads as follows

"In desertion and non-support cases and appeals from summary convictions and judgments for penalties the practice shall be as is now provided by law Provided That in desertion and non-support cases there shall be no preliminary hearing before a magistrate or justice of the peace but the information in all cases shall be made before the county court which shall thereupon issue its warrant of arrest and the person accused shall be immediately brought before the court for trial Any justice of the peace or magistrate may admit to bail for a hearing before the court persons arrested on original warrant issued out of the county court" is hereby further amended to read as follows

In desertion and non-support cases and appeals from summary convictions and judgments for penalties the practice shall be as is now provided by law Provided That in desertion and non-support cases there shall be no preliminary hearing before a magistrate or justice of the peace but the information in all cases shall be made before the county court or before an alderman or justice of the peace which or who shall thereupon issue its or his warrant of arrest and the person accused shall be immediately brought before the court for trial If such information is made before an alderman or justice of the peace the person arrested on such warrant shall be bound over to the county court with one sufficient surety Any justice of the peace or magistrate may admit to bail for a hearing before the court persons arrested on original warrant issued out of the county court

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 15, entitled

An Act relating to costs in certain cases of summary conviction before aldermen, magistrates and justices of the peace, providing for the assessment of such costs upon the prosecutor or defendant and their commitment in case of default and providing for the payment of such costs by counties in certain cases.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same That in all cases of summary convictions before aldermen magistrates or justices of the peace when any person is found guilty and in default of payment of a fine and costs or in default of payment of costs is committed to the county jail or to a city borough town or township lockup and the defendant serves out the term of such commitment or is otherwise discharged all costs in default of payment of which such person was committed shall be paid out of the county treasury

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 16, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one) entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any

building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" which reads as follows

"Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service Service of the notice may be accepted by the owner's attorney or the claimant his agent or attorney may serve the notice upon the owner in any of the methods now provided for by law in the case of a summons or if for any cause service by any of the aforesaid methods cannot be had then by posting the notice upon the property described in the claim and by mailing a copy thereof to the owner at his last known residence A failure to serve such notice or post it or have service accepted as herein provided and to file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431) entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" relating to service of notice of filing the claim

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 10 by striking out "equeduct" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "aqueduct."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 19, as follows:

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That every person his aiders abettors and counsellors hereafter convicted of the crime of murder of the first degree shall be sentenced to undergo an imprisonment by separate or solitary confinement for the period of his natural life

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed Provided however That neither the provisions of this act nor the repeal above mentioned shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that the said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 19, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 22, as follows:

An Act prohibiting the construction without consent of the owner of public sewers and drains over across through and under lands used or intended for use as a cemetery

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter no public sewer or drain shall be constructed by any city borough town township or sewage corporation over across through or under lands used or intended for use as a cemetery without the consent of the owner thereof

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 31, as follows:

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the second day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-four) entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods wares and merchandise and providing for the collection of said tax" by changing the date of appointment and term and providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of mercantile appraisers in cities of the first class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the second day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-four) entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods wares and merchandise and providing for the collection of said tax" which reads as follows

"Section 3 For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act the appointment of mercantile appraisers shall be made annually on or before the thirtieth day of December of each year by the county commissioners except in cities of the first class when the Auditor General and the treasurer of the city are authorized and required to appoint five suitable qualified citizens all of whom shall not be of the same political party and the term of office of said appraisers shall be for three years" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act the appointment of mercantile appraisers except in cities of the first class shall be made annually on or before the thirtieth day of December of each year by the county commissioners In cities of the first class the Auditor General and the treasurer of the city shall on the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and every four years thereafter appoint five suitable qualified citizens all of whom shall not be of the same political party and the term of office of said appraisers shall be for four years The term of the appraisers in cities of the first class now in office shall cease and determine on the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen or as soon thereafter as their successors are appointed and qualified In case of a vacancy by death resignation or otherwise of mercantile appraiser in any city of the first class such vacancy shall be filled by the Auditor General for the unexpired term of such person

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 32, as follows:

A Supplement to an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred and seventy-six) entitled "An Act regulating the legal business of the State Government and the employment of attorneys therefor and defining the duties of the various departments bureaus boards agents and commissions in relation thereto" conferring certain powers upon the Auditor General State Treasurer and Secretary of Internal Affairs

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That nothing contained in the act to which this is a supplement shall prevent or interfere with the right of the Auditor General State Treasurer and Secretary of Internal Affairs when the interests of the Commonwealth require it from employing the services of resident attorneys to assist in the prosecution and trial of causes and the prosecution of claims of the Commonwealth nor to prevent said officers from allowing such reasonable compensation for such services as the circumstances of the case may require

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 33, entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sections

Section 635 Boards of school directors in districts of the first second and third class may establish and maintain for children and adult persons in school buildings and on the school grounds under the custody and management of such boards evening schools vacation schools reading rooms library stations debating clubs gymnasiums public playgrounds public baths and similar activities and accommodations to be determined by such boards without charge to the residents of such districts Such boards of school directors may also co-operate with commissioners or boards having the custody and management of public parks libraries museums and public buildings and grounds of whatever sort in the city borough town or township comprising such school district and make arrangements satisfactory to such boards or school directors and such commissioners or boards controlling other public buildings and grounds to provide the supervision instruction and oversight necessary to carry on public educational and recreational activities as described in this section in buildings and upon grounds in the custody and under the management of such commissioners or boards

Section 636 If any board of school directors neglects or refuses to proceed as authorigzed in section six hundred and thirty-five of this act the question of their action as herein authorized shall upon petition signed by not less than ten per cent of the qualified voters in such school district be submitted to the electors of the school district at the next regular election in the manner provided by the general election law If a majority of the votes cast upon such proposition are in favor thereof the board of school directors shall undertake and organize this work

Section 637 Boards of school directors in districts of the first second and third class shall at or before their first regular meeting in August or September of each year estimate the amount of money required for the next fiscal year for the support of the afore-mentioned activities which have been previously determined upon by such boards of school directors They shall levy and collect a tax upon all the property subject to taxation in the district at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected Such tax shall be equal to the amount of money required for such purposes The tax so levied shall not in any one year exceed two-tenths mill on the dollar of assessed valuation Such tax shall not be used or appropriated directly or indirectly for any other purpose than that provided in section six hundred and thirty-five of this act

Section 638 All moneys received by or raised in such school district for the afore-mentioned purpose shall be paid over to the treasurer of the school district to be disbursed by him on orders of the board of school directors in the same manner as other funds at the disposal of the board in such district are disbursed by them The tax provided for in section six hundred and thirty-seven shall not be levied or collected until after the question of the levy and collection of such tax has been submitted to the qualified electors of such school district at some regular or special election and has been favorably voted upon by a majority of the electors voting upon such question at such election The question as to the levy and collection of such special tax shall be submitted to the voters in the manner provided by the general election law upon request of the board of school directors The question of the levy of such tax shall also be submitted upon a petition to that effect signed by not less than ten per centum of the number of qualified voters in the school district

Section 639 After the question of the levy and collection of such special tax has been submitted to and approved by the voters as provided in section six hundred and thirty-eight of this act the authority shall continue and such tax shall be levied and collected annually until such time as the voters of the school district of such city shall by majority vote order the discontinuance of the same The question of the discontinuance of the levy and collection of such tax shall be submitted to the voters in the same manner and under the same conditions as the proposition to authorize the levy and collection of the tax

Section 640 The board of school directors in any school district of the first second or third class is also empowered to receive and expend for the purposes set forth in section six hundred and thirty-five of this act any sums of money appropriated and turned over to them by the city borough town or township forming such school district for such purposes

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1 on page 2 in line 12 by striking out the word "first"; also in section 1, page 3, line 15, by striking out the word "first"; also in section 1, page 4, line 24, by inserting after the word "authority" the words "thus given the levy and collect such taxes"; also in section 1, page 5, line 5, by striking out the word "first."

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled, "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty, both inclusive.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 34, as follows:

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That wherever considered necessary for the safety and convenience of the traveling public the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth may supply and equip any county bridge within their respective counties with lights of such kind and character as they shall deem necessary

Te carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners are authorized to contract with any municipal or private corporation for the purpose of supplying the necessary current or light

The cost of the construction erection and maintenance of any lights placed upon any such bridge shall be paid by the county

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 34, as follows:

An Act giving preferences to claims for rent in cases of bankruptcy and insolvency proceedings against tenants

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases where a tenant or tenants become insolvent and an assignment for the benefit of creditors is executed and a receiver appointed and in all cases where bankruptcy or other insolvency proceedings are instituted either by or against such tenant or tenants covering goods and chattels upon demised premises which are liable to distress by the landlord for rent the landlord shall be first entitled to receive out of the proceeds of the sale of such goods and chattels by the legal representatives of the tenant any sum or sums of money due the landlord for rent of such demised premises at the time of the institution of the bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings not exceeding one year's rent If the proceeds of such sale shall not be sufficient to pay the landlord and the costs of the insolvency proceedings the landlord shall be entitled to receive the proceeds of sale after deducting so much for costs as the landlord would be liable to pay in case of a sale under distress

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 39, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 41, entitled

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act entitled, "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates," approved the eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and the amendments thereto.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all appraisements of real and personal estate of intestates heretofore made and approved by the decree of the Orphans' Court in pursuance of the act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and its amendments are hereby declared valid and effectual to vest in the husband or wife the title of such intestates in the real estate or personal property so appraised to them or each of them and approved by decree of the Orphans' Court Provided however That this act shall not affect any litigation now pending in any court of this Commonwealth instituted under and by virtue of the act as amended

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. RAYMOND E. SMITH. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 12, by striking out the words "to them or each of them."

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates," approved the eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, and the amendments thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 41, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act authorizing married women to make conveyances of her real estate without her husband joining therein, where the husband has by agreement duly executed and acknowledged, released his courtesy right or such right or estate as he may have or may inherit after the death of his wife in said real estate, whether he has in said release undertaken and agreed to join in a deed or deeds for the conveyance of said real estate or not, and validating all such conveyances heretofore made.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 49, as follows:

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall furnish an office for each of the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts of the said counties in the court house at the county seat and in case no such office is available in the court house they shall at the proper cost of the respective counties furnish an office in such building as may be selected by the said Judge and County Commissioners

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 50, as follows:

An Act to facilitate the labors of the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That to facilitate the labors of the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts of the several counties of the State each of the said Judges is hereby authorized to employ the help of stenographers typewriters or other clerks provided the cost of such help shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per annum for any Judge The cost of such help shall be paid by the Judge employing the same and shall be repaid to him by the State Treasurer on his certificate of the amount actually paid by him during the preceding month for clerk hire.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 51, as follows:

An Act authorizing the Courts of Common Pleas to fix the compensation of the Prothonotary and assistants in computing the election returns Also the congressional return judge in districts comprised of more than one county

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas are hereby authorized and empowered to fix the compensation of the prothonotary and such sworn assistants appointed by said Court in computing the election returns of any general or special election and such compensation to be paid by the proper county

Section 2 That in Congressional Districts composed of more than one county the Courts of Common Pleas are hereby authorized and empowered to fix the compensation for such congressional return judges and same to be paid by the proper county

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 55, as follows:

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where any real estate in this Commonwealth heretofore held by or for any corporation or corporations not having the right to own and hold the same has been conveyed to any citizen of the United States or to any corporation authorized by the laws of this Commonwealth to hold the same such citizen or corporation grantee as aforesaid shall hold and may convey such title and estate indefeasibly as to any right of escheat in this Commonwealth by reason of such real estate having been sold by or for a corporation not authorized to hold the same by the laws of this Commonwealth This act shall not apply to escheat cases now in litigation

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 58, as follows:

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four) extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four) which reads as follows

"Such sale mortgaging leasing or conveyance upon ground-rent may be decreed whenever real estate shall be held for or owned by minors lunatics or habitual drunkards so duly found by inquisition for the sole and separate use of married women for religious beneficial or charitable societies or associations incorporated or unincorporated or for or by any other corporation or by trustees for any public or private use or trust and although there may exist a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise or any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise or the time limited for its exercise may have expired or any one or more persons required to consent or to join in its execution may have become non compos mentis or have removed out of the State or died or should refuse to act or unreasonably withhold consent also when there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or last will and testament and the necessary power is not given to the executor devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance of real estate Also whenever the owner of real estate may have been absent and unheard from for seven years under those circumstances from which the law would presume his or her death Whenever a husband shall own real estate having a wife who is a lunatic or a minor whenever a married woman owns real estate and her husband has abandoned her for two years or been absent and unheard from for seven years Whenever a decedent shall have contracted by parol to sell real estate and those interested do not think it expedient to plead the statute requiring contracts to be in writing to enable the purchaser to recover the real estate agreed to be sold Whenever a decedent's real estate is subject to the lien of debts not of record Whenever real estate shall be entailed or contingent remainders or executory devices or vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children shall be limited thereon Or whenever in proceedings in partition in equity it shall appear that real estate cannot be divided without prejudice to the interests of the owners And also whenever real estate shall have been purchased or any ground-rent been reserved and be held by any person acting in a trust or fiduciary capacity And such decree may be made whether such ownership or interest shall be held or enjoyed in severalty joint-tenancy coparcenary or in common with others And generally in all cases where estates have been or shall be devised or granted in trust or for special or limited purposes or where any party interested therein is under a legal disability to sell and convey the same Provided That nothing in this act contained shall be taken to repeal or impair the authortiy of any Act of Assembly general or private authorizing the sale of real estate by decree of court or otherwise nor to affect or impair any right or powers otherwise existing in any person or corporation to sell mortgage lease or let on ground-rent any real estate created by deed or will shall be taken to confer an authority to sell and convey reserving a ground-rent or rents in fee and the same to release and extinguish according to law and the stipulation of the deed and also to grant and convey such ground-rent or rents to any purchaser or purchasers thereof free of all trusts" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Such sale mortgaging leasing or conveyance upon ground-rent may be decreed whenever real estate shall be held for or owned by minors lunatics or habitual drunkards so duly found by inquisition for the sole and separate use of married women for religious beneficial or charitable societies or associations incorporated or unincorporated or for or by any other corporation or by trustees for any public or private use or trust and although there may exist a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise or any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise or the time limited for its exercise may have expired or any one or more persons required to consent or to join in its execution may have become non compos mentis or have removed out of the State or died or should refuse to act or unreasonably withhold consent also when there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or last will and testament and the necessary power is not given to the executor devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance of real estate Also whenever the owner of real estate may have been absent and unheard from for seven years under those circumstances from which the law would presume his or her death Whenever a husband shall own real estate having a wife who is a lunatic or a minor whenever a married woman owns real estate and her husband has abandoned her for two years or been absent and unheard from for seven years Whenever a decedent shall have contracted by parol to sell real estate and those interested do not think it expedient to plead the statute requiring contracts to be in writing to enable the purchaser to recover the real estate agreed to be sold Whenever a decedent's real estate is subject to the lien of debts not of record Whenever real estate shall be entailed or contingent remainders or executory devises or vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children shall be limited thereon Whenever real estate shall be held by one or more persons for life Or whenever in proceedings in partition in equity it shall appear that real estate cannot be divided without prejudice to the interests of the owners And also whenever real estate shall have been purchased or any ground-rent been reserved and be held by any person acting in a trust or fiduciary capacity And such decree may be made whether such ownership or interest shall be held or enjoyed in severalty joint-tenancy coparcenary or in common with others And generally in all cases where estates have been or shall be devised or granted in trust or for special or limited purposes or where any party interested therein is under a legal disability to sell and convey the same Provided That nothing in this act contained shall be taken to repeal or impair the authority of any act of Assembly general or private authorizing the sale of real estate by decree of court or otherwise nor to affect or impair any right or powers otherwise existing in any person or corporation to sell mortgage lease or let on ground-rent any real

estate created by deed or will shall be taken to confer an authority to sell and convey reserving a ground-rent or rents in fee and the same to release and extinguish according to law and the stipulation of the deed and also to grant and convey such ground-rent or rents to any purchaser or purchasers thereof free of all trusts

Section 2 All sales of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life heretofore made by order of any court and purporting to have been made under and by virtur of said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven are hereby ratified and confirmed

Section 3 This act shall apply to all life estates created and existing before and after its passage and approval

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 61, as follows:

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter all religious and charitable corporations duly incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of any other state may take hold and enjoy in their corporate name or by trustee or trustees real estate located and situate in this Commonwealth The clear yearly value or income of such real estate shall in no case exceed twenty thousand dollars The said real estate shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and for the same purposes as other real estate

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 65, as follows:

An Act relating to desertion and non-support and directing imprisonment at hard labor in certain cases providing for the payment of certain sums of money by either the institution wherein the dependent is confined or the respective county for the support of dependents providing for the appointment of desertion probation officers and for their salaries and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bail bonds bonds or recognizances and providing for the payment by the county of the salaries and expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever in any proceedings it is alleged that a nusband or father has deserted his wife or children or both or has neglected to support his wife or children or a child of full age has neglected to support his parents which parents are unable to work or have insufficient ability to maintain themselves and if the proper court after hearing is satisfied of the guilt of the defendant and shall commit the defendant for want of a bond with securety or otherwise to a penal or reformatory institution the court may also order the defendant to be imprisoned in such institution at hard labor

Section 2 Whenever any defendant shall be ordered to be imprisoned at hard labor under the provisions of this act the official in charge of the penal or reformatory institution in which such defendant is imprisoned shall pay to the person designated in the order of court as the proper recipient of such money to be disbursed by said recipient as the order of court may direct the sum of sixty-five cents for each day Sundays and legal holidays only excepted during which he remains imprisoned Such sum shall be paid as one of the general running expenses of such institution If the labor done in the institution is not sufficient to pay the general running expenses of such institution such sum shall be charged to and paid by the county from which such defendant was committed

Section 3 Whenever the court may deem it necessary or desirable it may appoint one or more discreet persons of good character to serve as desertion probation officers during the pleasure of the court for the performance of such duties as the court shall direct Said probation officer or officers shall receive a salary to be determined by the court and this together with the necessary expenses incurred while in the actual performance of duty shall be paid monthly by the county as directed by the court

Section 4 The court may discharge a defendant upon his own recognizance in the custody of a desertion probation officer or other person subject to such conditions as the court may impose

Section 5 The desertion probation officer or officers shall make such investigation as may be required by the court shall furnish to the court such information and assistance as the court may require shall take charge of any defendant before or after trial as may be directed by the court and when so directed shall collect and pay over to the proper persons money ordered to be paid by any defendant and shall do and perform such service as the court may direct

Section 6 If the defendant shall violate the terms of the order of court the court may issue an attachment against the defendant upon the petition of such defendant's parent wife child or children or of any other person or persons having knowledge of the facts

Section 7 In case of the forfeiture of a bail-bond in any such proceeding the court may order that any sum collected thereon by suit or otherwise shall be paid in whole or in part to such parent wife child or children In case of the forfeiture of any bond or recognizance with or without surety given as security under any order of court any sum collected thereon by suit or otherwise shall be paid to such parent wife child or children Such payment shall not bar or in any way affect the power of the court to enforce its orders against the defendant by attachment or otherwise

Section 8 The act approved the twelfth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred two) entitled "An Act to increase the powers of courts in summary proceedings for desertion or non-support of wives children or aged parents by directing that imprisonment in such cases be at hard labor in such institution as the court shall name with wages payable to the wives children or parents providing for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bonds bail-bonds or recognizances and by empowering such courts to appoint desertion probation officers for the performance of such duties as the court shall direct and providing for the payment of the expenses incident to the carrying out of this act" is hereby repealed All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 88, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the Commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such Commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the Commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said Commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the 19th day of June, 1911, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof, repealing the act approved the 31st day of May, 1907, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act approved the 4th day of June, 1883, entitled, 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the 17th Article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations, may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars,' and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars, approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1907, and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the 29th

day of April, 1874, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court, and conferring jurisdiction on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to dispose of certain pending appeals.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eighteen of article six of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred and seventy-four) entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers including the exclusive power to regulate the construction alteration relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested in the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases providing for the terms salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin county exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars' approved twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" which reads as follows

"Section 18 The commission shall be immediately notified in writing by the appellant or appellants of the taking of an appeal and within thirty days after service of such notice shall certify under its official seal to the proper court of common pleas as hereinabove provided the record of the said proceedings which record shall include the testimony taken therein the findings of fact if any of the commission based upon such testimony a copy of all orders made by the commission in said proceedings and a copy of the opinion if any filed by the commission The cost of preparing and certifying such record shall be paid to the commission by the appellant or appellants and taxed as part of the costs in the case to be paid as directed by the court upon the final determination of the appeal" is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 18 The commission shall be immediately notified in writing by the appellant or appellants of the taking of an appeal and within thirty days after service of such notice shall certify under its official seal to the Superior Court as hereinabove provided the record of the said proceedings which record shall include the testimony taken therein the findings of fact if any of the commission based upon such testimony a copy of all orders made by the commission in said proceedings and a copy of the opinion if any filed by the commission The cost of preparing and certifying such record shall be paid to the commission by the appellant or appellants and taxed as part of the costs in the case to be paid as directed by the court upon the final determination of the appeal.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 6, line 10, by striking out the article "an" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "the."

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 All appeals from orders and decrees of the Public Service Commission pending in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County entered before June third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and undisposed of shall be heard and disposed of in the same manner and with like effect as appeals from orders and decrees of the Public Service Commission were heard and disposed of in said court of common pleas of Dauphin County prior to the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen Jurisdiction is hereby conferred on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to hear and dispose of all such appeals subject to the appeal to the Superior Court as in other cases

The preamble of the bill was read as follows, and agreed to:

Whereas By the amendment of June third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen to the Public Service Company law the jurisdiction to hear appeals from orders and decrees of the Public Service Commission was transferred from the court of common pleas of Dauphin county to the Superior Court and

Whereas In adopting the said amendment to the Public Service Company Law the legislature failed to amend section eighteen of article six of said act and it was held in case of West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company Appellant versus Public Service Commission reported in sixty-one Pennsylvania Superior Court Reports page five hundred and fifty-five that this section should have been amended and

Whereas In transferring said jurisdiction from the court of common pleas of Dauphin county to the Superior Court no provision was made for the disposition of appeals then pending in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county and undisposed of therefore

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act amending an supplementing an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred and seventy-four) entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers including the executive power to regulate the construction alteration relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expenses and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expenses and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to use the Commonwealth for damages in such cases providing for the terms salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin county exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad com-

panies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars' and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars approved twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court and conferring jurisdiction on the court of common pleas of Dauphin county to dispose of certain pending appeals

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend the title on page 1, line 14, by striking out the word "executive" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "exclusive"; also on page 2, line 2, by striking out the word "expenses" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "expense"; also on page 2, line 4, by striking out the word "expenses" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "expense."

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 89, entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State Highways and State Aid Highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, relating to and regulating motor vehicles; and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said Act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and years subsequent thereto.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles which have been or may hereafter be paid into the State Treasury for registrations and license fees for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen or which may be paid into the State Treasury from said sources thereafter be and the same are hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways as described in the Act of Assembly creating the State Highway Department approved May third one thousand nine hundred and eleven said moneys to be paid from the State Treasury upon requisition of the Highway Commissioner and after audit and approval by the Auditor General and State Treasurer in the usual manner

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 17, by striking out the word "third" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thirty-first."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 That part of the Act of Assembly approved June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making an appropriation to the State Highway Department which provides that the appropriations made by said act shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth during the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the licensing of motor vehicles and drivers under the act of July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen be and the same is hereby repealed in so far as it applies to any funds received by the State Treasury from said sources for licenses and registrations for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen or for years subsequent thereto Provided That this act shall not be construed as in any way reducing the amounts appropriated to the State Highway Department by said act of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thonsand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 29, entitled

An Act to amend "The Public Service Company Law," approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), by creating the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Department of Internal Affairs, fixing the number of Commissioners, and their terms; making the Secretary of Internal Affairs the Chairman of the Commission; and fixing a time when the terms of the present commission shall cease.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed, the following resolution:

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR INFORMATION AS TO SENATE EMPLOYES.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Slate Committee of the Senate is hereby requested to report to the Senate not later than Tuesday, February 13, 1917, the names, home address, salary, and occupation of all employes on the payroll of the Senate for the session of 1917, together with the name of the person or persons who recommended such employes for appointment, and to set forth the fact whether or not the person appointed to each place is actually performing the duties for which he was appointed.

Be it further resolved, That a statement of the current expenditures of all persons employed by the Senate for telephoning, traveling and any other items of expense which have been charged to the State since the opening of the session, to and including February 7, 1917, be included in the report to be made under the direction of this resolution.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that rule 39, which requires resolutions reported from committee to lie over for one day, be suspended, in order that the resolution just reported may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

RECESS.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until four o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

THE PRESIDENT. The Chair will recognize Senators who wish to make reports from committees at this time.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Finance reported as committed Senate Bill No. 99, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stocks, and upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations, co-partnership associations, and joint stock associations; providing the manner of collecting such tax, and prescribing penalties;" approved the 4th day of June, 1915; providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor-General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by said act.

Mr. HACKETT from the committee on Finance reported as committed Senate Bill No. 69, entitled

A supplement to the second section of an act entitled "A supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, 1879,' approved the first day of June, 1889, amending the twenty-fourth section, by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, 1895, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purposes indicated in the original act and supplement, including townships among the distributees, and providing for certain conditions upon said distribution.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 155, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Commission, appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the 17th day of June, 1915, for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages, and so forth.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as amended Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police, and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State police force as amended.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair will recognize Senators at this time who wish to read bills in place.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 157, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such election.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 158, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Presbyterian Hospital, of Pittsburgh.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 159, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Home and Rescue Association, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 160, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. SONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 161, entitled

An Act relative to the payment of deposits in banks or trust companies deposited in two names.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 162, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Historical Commission for certain purposes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

SPECIAL ORDER ON FINAL PASSAGE, AT 4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 1, as follows:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor

Whereas Statements have been made by reputable citizens and the responsible press of this Commonwealth alleging mal-administration on the part of public officers by their gross extravagance by their mis-use of public funds by their continued absence from their respective offices by their failure to properly discharge duties imposed upon them by statute by their wilful malicious and unnecessary delay in the transaction of public business by their intimidation and coercion of employes and business interests by their mis-use of appointive administrative and regulative authority by their alleged bribery in bargaining and selling as rewards for votes of Members of the General Assembly offices and positions created by the public and supported by the public for the transaction of public business by perjury on the part of certain officials in accepting public offices from which they have knowingly disqualified themselves by violating the Corrupt Practices Act of this Commonwealth by repugnant and flagrant political activity on the part of semi-judicial officers by the encroachment of the Executive upon the Legislative Branch of the Government and

Whereas Such officers debauch defame and disgrace the fair name of this Commonwealth demoralize the public service by their malfeasance and hold up to ridicule its citizenship and

Whereas The above-named charges and allegations concerning the conduct of public business by its recognized officials and subordinates have so aroused public sentiment concerning the administration of the affairs of this Commonwealth as to demand a full free unobstructed comprehensive and impartial investigation of the public business Now therefore

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That a joint committee consisting of three (3) Members of the Senate one of whom shall be of a minority political party to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and four (4) Members of the

House one of whom shall be a minority political party to be appointed by the Speaker of the House be created for the purpose of making a full free unobstructed comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges and

Be it Further Resolved That said joint committee is hereby directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor to hold such and as many hearings as it may deem necessary to summon witnesses to further the purposes of this investigation to issue subpoenaes administer oaths and compel the attendance of such witnesses and the production of all such books bills checks checkbooks papers minutes records vouchers agreements and all each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent or germain to the inquiry and

Be it Further Resolved That the said joint committee shall be vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by Virtue of the Constitution and all Acts of Assembly can confer upon such committee for the accomplishment of its purposes and

Be it Further Resolved That the said joint committee shall be authorized to employ auditors accountants counsel learned in the law stenographers clerks messengers investigators and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon said committee and to further the inquiry by them to be made The Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate is hereby directed to attend said joint committee to serve all subpoenaes issued by it and generally to enforce all the orders which said joint committee is hereby authorized to make and

Be it Further Resolved That said joint committee shall from time to time report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as the Members deem expedient to the end that proper legislation may be enacted to remedy and prevent such abuse as may be found to exist and that said joint committee shall also be empowered to certify to the prosecuting officer or officers of the proper jurisdiction the proceedings of the committee setting forth any violation or violations of law committed within their respective jurisdiction for such action as the law provides and that the said Investigating Committee shall make its final report to the General Assembly not later than June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and

Be it Further Resolved That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person giving evidence before said joint committee tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in the corrupt practices above-mentioned should be indicted and prosecuted for the offense disclosed by such evidence or admission so given or made by him or her and

Be it Further Resolved That the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25.000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to defray the expenses necessarily incurred by said joint committee in the discharge of the duties imposed upon it and that payment shall be made on order of the chairman of said joint committee and on warrant of the Auditor General in the manner now prescribed by law

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I am not opposed to any investigation where an investigation is necessary to right wrong and where wrong has been done, but I am opposed to the passage of the joint resolution before this body, and I am going to give you my reasons.

First, I want to ask each and every one of you, if you were to be tried in Court, and you knew in advance that the Judge had a hatred against you and that the jury was a packed one, would you be willing to be tried in that Court? Could you receive justice?

Gentlemen, just think of it! The bill simply means a hand picked committee appointed from the enemy side, carrying with it an appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars of the taxpayer's money to hold star chamber sessions. And for what purpose? For the purpose of persecution.

The investigation called for in this bill has been conceived in petty spite, born in petty animosity and reared in blind prejudice. It has for its aim and its end, not the honor and welfare of our State, but the unworthy, selfish motive of seeking tighter political control, greater political power. The bill is here in the hidden form of an assassinator of character and a destroyer of justice, and it is up to the members of this Senate who believe in "fair play" and the principal of a "square deal" to register their vote against the bill.

So far as Governor Brumbaugh is concerned, he needs no defense of his public acts. They speak for themselves. Pennsylvania at the hands of the man who is now being hounded, has received more progressive and humane legislation than ever before in its history. On our Statute books to-day, monuments to his independence and his worth, are the Child Labor Law, Workmen's Compensation Law and the Full Crew Law.

Had Governor Brumbaugh turned a deaf ear to the merciful plea for the welfare of the children of the State; had he not given Pennsylvania a Child Labor Law, would there be an investigation called for?

Had Governor Brumbaugh surrendered to the influence of "Special Privilege" and kept Pennsylvania longer without a Workmen's Compensation Law, would there be an investigation called for?

Had Governor Brumbaugh proclaimed the value of the dollar above the value of human life and passed the repeal of the Full Crew Law, would there be an investigation called for? Would there be a charge of mal-administration?

If Governor Brumbaugh had failed to carry out his pre-election pledges to the people, and through his influence the Child Labor Bill had been smothered in the committee; if the Workmen's Compensation Bill had met the same fate it did two years prior and he had signed the repeal of the Full Crew Law; if he had permitted the politicians of the State to control the State Departments and fill every vacancy; if Governor Brumbaugh had been content to be a "Rubber Stamp" Governor and the tool of "Special Privilege" instead of the actual Governor and the friend and protector of the common people of the Commonwealth, there would be no bill before this Senate tonight calling for an investigation. There would be no charges of mal-administration.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I am compelled to oppose the resolution before us because I feel that at this time we should have an act that was clearly and effectually non-partisan, non-factional, unbiased and fair.

Under ordinary conditions such a specific requirement might not be necessary; but conditions at present are not ordinary. The Republican party is in full control, but the Republican party is torn and threatened by a most bitter and fierce factional fight. One faction controls the Legislative branch of the State Government, the other the Executive branch. Our leaders are divided, irritable and embittered. Both sides pursued purely political methods in late party contests. As a result, in the opening words of the Joint Resolution, "statements have been made by reputable citizens and the responsible press of this Commonwealth alleging" that the proposed investigation was not intended to be fair and impartial, and the fiasco of a former Investigating Commission, has been recited to give color to such statements.

Party leaders even though they be the elect of the people are intensely human. It is not to be wondered at that many good people believe that some of them exhibit a disposition to get even or be revenged. The temptation to do this is very great; temptation begotten by disappointment, loss of patronage perhaps, or by nagging of certain of their following who have selfish interests to serve.

No thoughtful fair minded person wishes to oppose a fair and impartial investigation of public officials, or the departments under their management. To avoid the least appearance of unfairness a resolution should be so framed that it will give both parties, all factions and the great number of non-factionists, an equal opportunity to bring about a fair and impartial investigation.

One that would not prevent turning on the light, but makes it possible to turn on all of the light.

One that would not prevent laying the axe to the tree and letting the chips fall where they will, but that would prevent undue influence to drive the chips in one direction only.

The debate on last Monday night showed clearly how tense the situation is; but, there is a remedy. A resolution can be framed that will be fair, impartial and just. When a municipality is stirred by some great subject and they wish for aid, or redress for wrongs, real or fancied, they call a town meeting and invite all the people. Factions are forgotten, party lines are obliterated. All strive for the common welfare. Let us do something like that. Let us call a caucus of all the Senators, the whole fifty, with the sole object of naming a committee that will command the confidence of all. That will investigate certain officials and departments promptly and thoroughly. Full power can be given them and all necessary details can be arranged. The good name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is paramount. Unity is the keyword. Let us get together. Let us try this plan. Let us have a well ordered

investigation; one that will unmask the guilty and relieve those wrongfully accused. I sincerely trust that the resolution before us will be recommitted or defeated.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, In view of the attacks that have been made by certain prominent men of our state during the past few months, I believe that the eyes of the decent citizenship of this state are upon this legislative assembly at this time. The people demand that we do something. Accusations have been made and they have been continually made for years and years, and a sub-consciousness that has slumbered and slept seems in some few men to have arisen to the surface, and wants expression in a partisanship in a biased resolution calling for investigation. At all times as citizens of this Commonwealth should we be ready and willing to vouchsafe a fair and honest and impartial investigation and much less should we try to foist upon this State an investigation that should be anything but fair. Last evening the minority members, or some of them, of this body attempted to have this resolution so amended that there could be no doubt that the investigation would be fair. and, Mr. President, I believe that many times in this state by the authority of the legislative body of this Commonwealth have commissions been appointed none of whose members was a member of this legislative body, because their duties were inquisatorial, and they were directed to report back to the legislative bodies of these halls, and many times have they done so. If we only refer to the enactments of the last legislature you will find that there upon the books of this legislature, or the one that preceded them, enacted such legislation that created and appointed such committees that made reports upon different subjects or different matters that were to be enacted into laws in this state, and we suggested for our consideration men that were not interested, men that were above reproach and men who had the full faith and confidence of the electors of this Commonwealth.

We are not here to serve a selfish purpose. We are not here to gratify any personal desires of hatred and malice, and because perchance some of us have not had an opportunity to dictate in the affairs of this Commonwealth in a manner that we should desire is no reason why we should want to desmirch or ruin the fair name of the head of the government of this Commonwealth, or its citizens.

Gentlemen, of the Senate, this is nothing new. The responsible press of Pennsylvania for years has cried against conduct such as has been to-day called to your attention. The condition of affairs is made possible because laws have been enacted without special care. These same men that cry for investigation to-day two years ago by the loose appropriation measures made it possible for the executive of this Commonwealth to have at his disposal $30,000. If each one of us would manage our own individual affairs and business with the same care and with the same business ability many of us would not be sitting here to-day, but would be under the care of the state and it requires strict vigilance on the part of every legislature of this Commonwealth. The same men that to-day are crying against other members of their own party in 1912 were side by side, fighting for the election of their candidates, and in 1914, these same men, shoulder to shoulder, championed the cause of that same man who is to-day the head of your Commonwealth, and in 1918 for no other purpose but for the purpose of self-preservation will band themselves together and thereby foist upon the people of this Commonwealth the man of their joint choice. This is nothing new to us. It is nothing of which you have never heard before, and I am sorry, Mr. President, and members of the Senate that this resolution could not be amended so that some of you would not be accused by the press of this state, by the press of this nation, of being biased and unfair, and I would ask that you make it possible, you who are the fathers and framers of this resolution, that we might have a full and fair resolution.

I shall vote for this resolution reluctantly. It answers a purpose and I hope it will be the means of bringing the electorate of this state to a full sense of their responsibility. While it will shed certain rays of light upon certain phases of this government I hope it may be the means, if it is passed, and becomes a law of this state, a resolution in force, that it will so arouse the electorate and so arouse the members of this body that they will want a free light, a full light, untrammeled and in no way obstructed, that we all may know the conduct and the acts of those in authority. There is nothing new alleged as I have said. I do not believe that our present chief executive is absent from his office any more than his predecessor, and if I am correct no attempt was made to investigate his continued absence from the capital and from the business of this state, but this is a new conscience that seems to have arisen, it seems to have gripped some men, because, not that the affairs of this state are not administered better, not because there is any charge, but because their divine guidance and constant approval is not sought in all matters in administrative circles.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to take up a minute or two of the Senators' time for the purpose of a little further explanation of the facts that brought about this resolution; a little further than I went into last Monday night. In the first place, for the benefit of those Senators who were not in their seats last Monday night, I would just like to give them the previous commissions that have been appointed and what their result was.

Senator Andrews, in 1897, was appointed at the head of a commission to go to Pittsburgh and Philadelphia and make an investigation, and after a few sittings he ran off back to Crawford County, and was glad to get there, chased there by our friend Martin sitting over here on the right, and when the people of Crawford County shunned him and disowned him he went down to New Mexico and is still there. That is the history of the Andrews commission.

The Catlin commission was appointed for another purpose but when the mayoralty contest was on in Philadelphia in 1911, it was brought down there for the purpose of making sentiment, and it succeeded beautifully, so much to the success of the commission that we elected an anti-Republican ticket, with the after-result, however, that Senator Baldwin, who sits here, and Senator McConnell, who sits there, both being defeated for re-election. Senator McNichol was never sworn in nor served on the Committee. The one Democratic member, after two or three meetings, rose in his place in the commission, and said he would not be there any more, that he was disgusted with the whole business. And my friend here on the right, who always had 25,000 majority, had a little less than 2500, and was barely elected, and I was glad he got through.

So you see, there have been some other commissions since that time but their duties were so small that I think it hardly worth mentioning at this time.

However, last Monday night, my friend, Senator Snyder, criticised the Governor for sending over here a plain, sensible, every-day message, covering all the facts in this case, and advising what would be a sensible thing to do, creating an investigation and a thorough investigation, not only of himself but of every department under him. Now, gentlemen, could there be a more honorable message than that for the Senate to act on? My friend on the right said the Governor had no such right. Well, if I understand legislative bodies correctly their parent is down in Washington. That is what the President of the United States was doing at the very time the Governor was criticised for sending that message of plain common sense in every-day language. Wilson sees a chance for important bills, goes over the legislative situation with the members of the House and Senate in his room in the capitol building at Washington, which he has kept there for the purpose of visiting them and sending into the chambers to bring the United States Senators and members of Congress in and tell them what he will stand for and what he will not while we criticise in this state because the Governor sends a letter over here, a message in plain English language.

Now, gentlemen, Senator Sproul said this resolution originated from the Philadelphia contest. He was a friend of my deceased brother that sat in this chair before me for twelve years, and befriended my brother many times, and he has befriended me many times since I followed my deceased brother to this chair. I think there has never before been a time when I voted on one side and he voted on the other up to this time. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to vote for this resolution if there was anything fair in its makeup. I consider Senator Sproul one of the finest men and one of the best friends I have in this Senate, but that would not justify me in standing for a resolution that is unfair from beginning to end.

It is simply a resolution that starts everywhere and stops nowhere. Now, the Philadelphia contest has not the first thing to do with this resolution; has not the first thing to do with the speakership fight; we, in Philadelphia, hold good, decent, clean elections. The laws are clean, and the elections are conducted in accordance with the law. We have lots of reform bodies down there, always ready to take up any little incidents that happen that are not in conformity with our election laws, but there has not been much doing with those bodies for several years past so that is the justification for my remarks. Senator Snyder also said the people are sick and tired of the acts of this Governor. Let us see how sick and tired they are. The last time the Governor ran for office in this Commonwealth, only May of last year, he polled 208,325 votes. The only fair comparison I can make with that vote would be Senator Penrose. Senator Penrose polled 198,444 votes. There was one other—Dallas Bumbaugh—put on the ticket to take votes away from the Governor, who polled 77,000 votes. Any fair-minded man in this state or any other state would concede that these Bumbaugh votes were meant for the governor, and, if that is true, he would have 285,411 as against 198,444 for Senator Penrose. Now that does not look very much as though the people are very sick and tired of his acts.

The Oliver check has been made a lot of by the newspapers of this state, and at the proper time and proper place that will be cleared up one hundred per cent. to the credit of the governor and one hundred per cent. discredit to our friend Oliver, whom I consider no more or no less than a "black hand."

Gentlemen, this Governor started in under unfortunate circumstances the minute he was elected Governor of this State. He had gone all over the State on a personal platform saying that he would help to enact into a law the child labor law, the finest working law for the benefit of our working boys and girls of any State in the Union; the workmen's compensation act is another one of the best laws of any State in this Union. These two, Mr. President, are only two of the many good acts that he helped to enact into laws two years ago. With these pledges, the minute the polls closed, with these pledges on his shoulders on the one hand and on the other hand a certain class of gentlemen that are high up in official power as well as political power in this state, who had agreed that there would be no such laws, which put the Governor in such a position that he would be damned if he did and be damned if he didn't. He saw fit in his wise judgment to go on and help keep his pledges to the people, necessarily disappointing those who had promised there would be no legislation unde rany circumstances after certain bargains were made. The legislation was enacted, and very largely with his help as you know, hen ecall this trouble about this Governor, the cleanest, fairest, most decent big Governor the state ever had in my time. Take this from me.

I want to take these conditions up as they come along in the preamble of this resolution. First, the public press. Well, I explained here last Monday and read a detail statement of some twenty-five items picked from the items that were in the newspapers, and which are probably part of this charge, showing that the Governor had absolutely nothing to do with it. In other words, one of the charges is that the Governor buys twenty-five-cent cigars. Well, gentlemen of the Senate, is there any Senator sitting in this room who would want the Governor to give a State dinner, say to the Supreme Court or any other State dinner, and wind up a heavy dinner with a five-cent cigar? For the benefit of the Senate I would like to say that the Governor smokes five-cent Cincos himself, and he cannot wind up a heavy dinner with a five-cent cigar and be consistent.

So far as the public funds are concerned, Senator Penrose said he was glad the Attorney General disgorged them. The Attorney General did not disgorge. What Senator Penrose had reference to, he paid a telephone bill that was brought about in this last contest, but while the contest was on he could not get a telephone bill from the company.

As soon as it was ended the Attorney-General requested the bill, got the bill, and paid the bill, and for the information of the Senate that is the fifth bill and the smallest of the five that the Attorney-General has paid since he came into that office. That is the answer to this reputable newspaper.

I might go on and talk for an hour and make this same explanation. Every word I am telling you myself is absolutely true, for I have gone thoroughly into it and made myself familiar with it, and I challenge any Senator here to interrogate me and I will give him the information as to where I got mine.

Delaying business. Would it not seem funny, gentlemen, for Senator Penrose, and I have no more feeling in this political contest against Senator Penrose or anybody else than I have against any one of my own children at home. Would it not seem funny, it certainly seems to me funny, to hear Senator Penrose criticising any State official for being absent from office. Would it not appear to be a joke on its face, if that is true. If that is a joke, gentlemen, why is not the whole resolution a joke. As a matter of fact I think that is what it is.

The corrupt practice. The corrupt practice act has been defeated—sidestepped, I guess, is the proper name. Would it not be equally as true of a charge from Senator Penrose, that the corrupt practice act has been sidestepped. Would it not appear just as funny as anything could be—in fact I think it would equal a three ring circus—for anybody by the name of Sproul, Crow, McNichol or Vare to question the corrupt practcie act. I do not mean to say, gentlemen, that any one of these men or myself avoid the act, but what some of us are liable to do is sit by and see it done, then it would seem to me under the law we would be an accessory after the fact.

But really, gentlemen, to be in earnest about this proposition, I have gone thoroughly into it from beginning to end, and on my honor, and on my honor as a State Senator—I do not think I have deceived one of these men since I have been sitting here with them—on my honor, gentlemen, I think there is no more truth in any of these charges than, Mr. President, could be handed up to you and charge you with the same thing if the same purpose was needed to go after you. I wish to conclude by saying we do not care how much they investigate or who they investigate but there ought to be some place to start and some place to stop, and specify who you are going to investigate, how many departments you are going to investigate. Go all over the State and investigate if you like, but your resolution ought to say so. So far as I am concerned I do not know a single person who cares anything about it.

My friend, Senator Snyder, told a friend of mine on the floor here last night that if I attempted to speak here on the floor, in defense of the Governor, he would ask me a question. I would like to get that question now.

The PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, desire to interrogate the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare?

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President. No.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, from the information I had, I will answer him anyhow, the information I had was that he was going to ask me what excuse I had for the Governor drawing $1,500 out of that fund. This is the answer. He sat here and voted for that appropriation two years ago, and in that appropriation the language reads like this "To be used at the descretionary power of the Governor." That would be the answer on that fifteen hundred.

I do not think there is anything else I can say. I wish I was a lawyer, as Senator Sproul said the other night. I am not even a college graduate as he is. I wish, however, that I was able to speak as well as some lawyers in the Senate, or as well as Senator Sproul. The side I happen to be with this time—I am not always with the right side—the side I happen to be with this time is one hundred per cent. right and one hundred per cent. fair, and the other side is one hundred per cent. wrong and one hundred per cent. unfair. I thank you for your kind attention.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President. I confess to some trepidation in replying to the various addresses made by my colleagues, because whether I am responsible or not, the impression has gone forth that I was to make some sort of a reply or attack on some one during this hearing. I must admit that it was not my intention to make an attack on any one and hoped sincerely that there would be no occasion and none would arise which would require an address from

any Senator, and for fear of being misunderstood and a wrong interpretation placed upon the attitude of those who may favor this resolution, I speak. I avow an absolute impersonality. I say sincerely I bear malice to no one who has spoken in this matter. I say further that I have absolute and unqualified confidence and belief in the integrity of every member of this Senate. If I were under a charge, whether for misdemeanor or felony or a grave crime committed against the state, I would submit my cause to any member of this Senate, believing that he would render, according to his oath, a just verdict. The charge is made that a resolution has been presented to the Senate of Pennsylvania which is unfair on its face and which bears malice against certain officials of this Commonwealth. I read that resolution carefully. I fail to see a line in that resolution which points the finger of guilt to any man that has not committed a dishonest act. I fail to see why there should be a particular interest by the particular adherents of a particular faction of the Republican party regarding the effect of that resolution upon any friend. If any friend of mine had been charged under that resolution with any series of mal-administration against the Commonwealth I do not think I would have arisen in the Senate and tried to defend those who I thought were charged in that indictment. I regret that this forum has been made a grand jury to hear what may be presented against any citizen of the Commonwealth, especially if he be the Chief Executive, the Attorney General, or, if you please, the Auditor General or State Treasurer of this state. I believe when this resolution was presented it was presented as much by a regard for the traditions and honor of the Republican party and for the integrity of this Commonwealth as for any any other reason. Levity has been injected into this discussion, and not without purpose, if you please. What the public press may say I care little about, so long as it does not affect my honor and so long as it is a black lie upon its face; and I believe that every public man will agree with me, because it has been spoken about since the time of Washington, when it was uttered by him, that the best answer to calumny and slander is silence; and for this reason I should not have said a word had any of my friends been under suspicion under this resolution; but as to the sayings of the public press, that is the crux of this resolution. No charge has been made against any individual; no person has been questioned whether or not he has been committing a series of misdemeanors, but the public press has made the charge and my friend to the left seems to place that within the category of the resolution. I think not.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I desire to interrogate the Senator from Schuylkill.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, permit himself to be interrogated.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, does not the preamble in that resolution say that because of the newspaper articles in the responsible public press, is not that one of the reasons why the resolution was presented?

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President, it is, but none of the charges or counts in the newspaper press were preferred in the article.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, that is true, I am talking about the preamble of the resolution. Were not the newspaper articles printed before that resolution was offered?

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President, it is true.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, is it not also true that when Senator Salus attempted to amend this resolution to make it perjury for liars appearing before the committee, that the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, spoke and voted against it.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President, yes, and I will answer that. Now, Mr. President, and gentlemen of the Senate, when a serious resolution has been presented making an indictment against the officials of this Commonwealth, what do we find in the very first instance? And that in answer to the gentleman from Philadelphia. We find a communication from his Excellency, the Governor of this Commonwealth, to this body. On what? A matter before this body? Concerning whom, if you please? The motion of the gentleman from Philadelphia to have the message read at that time, I submit, is an answer, because no member of the Senate was supposed to know what was borne by that message, and what do we find when the message is read? We find before the message is presented into this Senate Chamber a studied argument, logical, if you please, having good, choice language, if you please, a plea, if you please, that the resolution then about to be presented, or having already been presented, was unfair; that he had no objection, the Chief Executive of this Commonwealth, to a fair investigation being made. I ask any member of this Senate whether there is a line of that resolution charging the Executive of this Commonwealth with any misdemeanor. Then why cast upon this Senate the influence of the Chief Executive to be careful concerning that which is before it, especially when you read between the lines an attempt to interpret it as referring to the gentleman or to the officer who wrote that communication. Let me say to you, and I believe every Senator will agree with me, that the communication at that time was unconventional, was inopportune, and was a tactless communication. I am sorry, because I want to say now that for the office of the Governorship of this State I have a high regard. I honor those who occupy it. I, for one, pay tribute to the personage who occupies that chair now because I believe that he was inspired with high purposes in many things that he has submitted to this legislature. but I am not unmindful of the fact that history and story and tradition is full, and the record and pages of the world are full of men who have committed high crimes and yet have been a great benefit under certain conditions and in crises. The story of Jean Valjean in Les Miserables, is the story of a man who gave his life and his ability and his fortune for a people whom he loved. He made France the great manufacturing centre of the world, and yet he, for crimes committed in his youth when old age came, confessed his sins and received his punishment at the galleys and in prison, as we all know, and so that is no argument. But let me say to you, the charges made that this is a political and factional warfare, and the answer is made it is not due to Philadelphia politics. While much as we may have been the beneficiary of the great things in Philadelphia, and much as we disbelieve that the benefit that came from Philadelphia came by dishonest methods, yet we must confess, as good citizens of this Commonwealth and as Republicans from the interior of the state, that a great many, aye, most of the difficulties of the Republican party come because Eddie and Jimmie cannot agree. Now then whether or not this particular resolution springs from that purpose I am not going to argue, but I want to say to you that since the charge has been made that this is an unfair investigation, in answer to the gentleman from Philadelphia, since the question has been put, "Had his Excellency the right to take this fifteen hundred dollars from the treasury of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and put his slip in the drawer and say, 'Cash, M. G. Brumbaugh' "? Had he, I am asking? Is his private purse and his conscience the only tribunal to which he has to answer for the handling of the treasury and of its contents? Oh no! When I voted for that resolution I was a little like Nathaniel, without guile, giving to the Governor of Pennsylvania so much money. I had forgotten at that time that the placing in the hands of even a man from the city of so much money, might be a temptation, and believing my friend to the left, who looked you straight in the eye and never told a lie, like our honored Father of our Country, and I believed him, I believed him then, and because the man upon whom we conferred that favor chose to violate the confidence we put in him is no reason why we should do it again, because our friend may still be blinded to the garishness of the Executive of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and I for one coming from the country, not as a simple maid, but simple perhaps in my belief of how things should be done, I think there should be a just accounting to the proper tribunal of how the moneys of this state are spent. Oh, ho! The Governor spent the money properly. In Virginia when his Excellency leaves the jurisdiction for a day the Lieutenant Governor is the Governor. In most commonwealths when his Excellency leaves for a week or ten days the Lieutenant Governor acts in his place, and yet this Commonwealth, in its plentitude gave to the Governor of Pennsylvania to live outside of its confines for almost three months, a never ending supply of money, automobiles, the association of good friends, all at the expense of the state, out of that fund that Bill Sproul, if you please, and Senator Crow and Charley Snyder voted for, because Eddie said it was all right. That does not make it right, and we do not believe that it is right, and the people of this Commonwealth do

not believe it is right. Why sir, you remember those trips of his Excellency. There were many Roman triumphs throughout the state; the money was spent in a profligate manner, regardless of the great economies that my friend to the left has been preaching.

Now then what else? Down on the golf links of North Carolina his Excellency of the State spends its money for golf balls. Surely it is a wide discretion between entertaining Supreme Court Justices and knocking about golf balls down in North Carolina. Now I am not going to say anything which the statements that have been made on this floor will not justify a reply to, because I am impersonal in this, but I want to give a reason for the faith that is within us, and the faith that is within us is that we believe the laws of this Commonwealth should be upheld, and because forsooth they may be violated by another Chief Executive in Philadelphia, or somewhere else, that does not say that we of the Commonwealth should shut our eyes and hold in disdain the law and disrespect the authority and disown the traditions of this Commonwealth.

Now then aren't there some other departments that should be investigated? We read in the public press, since it has been brought in, that the Auditor General's office had expended large sums of money for its own personal benefit, or the occupant's own personal benefit. We also read that since this investigation has begun, or has been promised to be begun, moneys have been returned to the public treasury. When we read the history of conventions held, if you please, that the Commissioner of Fisheries of this State has imposed upon men his patent rights, in order that the streams cannot be defiled and so on. We hear that the Public Service Commsision has plastered its opposition with nepotism from beginning to end, has delayed the hearings of the people of this Commonwealth and has not made a decision which has been one way and upheld at any particular time since its beginning until today. At a large expense these men operate. We hear that the Public Printer has expended hundreds and thousands of dollars, printing what? The deficiency from the Employment Buerau, from the Labor and Industry Bureau, and from other departments, making a deficiency, which we are now called upon to pay, and yet this resolution, we are told, is directed only toward one man! Oh, no, I do not believe that. I tell you, Mr. President, that if we believe the press, and since it has been referred to, and that is the only way people have knowledge of the things that are committed in the State, that all the officers of this Commonwealth appointed by the Governor have been under question,—I mean the head officers.

Let me say to you, nobody will deny that the compensation laws were of good effect. Who was against them? We all voted for them. We all voted for the remedial legislation. We differed a little upon Child Labor, and you know how Child Labor was enacted? The Senator from Philadelphia and the other Senators from Philadelphia got together and promised the Governor it would pass, and it is the only bill upon the floor of the Senate, if you please, or in the House, that was opposed, and because of that one opposition the great interests of this Commonwealth are now concerned in investigating His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth! In reply to the Senator from Pittsburgh, we all voted for his bill, if you please, which threw the shackles off of the trainmen. We all voted for that bill. Now surely we are not the instruments of these vested interests to wreak our vengeance upon the Governor because he did that which we ourselves voted for. Oh, no; there is some reason and I will tell you what is the reason. Stated it has been, but not in the way I am going to state it. The factional politics, if you please. The Governor of this Commonwealth, and you shall not attack him, you shall not say anything about him, not unlike Richelieu, when somebody attacked the church, he replied: "Aye, is it so? Then wakes the power which in the age of iron burst forth to curb the great, and raise the low. Mark where she stands. Around her form I draw the awful circle of our solemn church. Set but a foot within that holy ground and on thy head, yea, though it wore a crown, I launch the curse of Rome." Oh, the Governor is not permitted to commit misdemeanors. Let me say to you he is not an accessory after the fact. In a misdemeanor he who acts with the man in committing that deed, he is simply a principal, not an accessory; he is a principal. When you aid and abet a man in committing a misdemeanor you are not an accessory, you are a principal, and I hope the Senators in this Senate Chamber will remember that. Now then what do we find upon the floors of this Senate? Anybody pussyfooting, as one of the public press has said, against this resolution, any representatives of the Auditor General's office? No. Any representative of the Fish Commissioner? No. Any representative of the Public Service Commission? No. We find upon the floor of the Senate since this resolution has been brought here—who? The immediate appointees of His Excellency, buttonholing, cajoling, if you please, pleading with members of the Senate, not to vote for this resolution. Why? Why, I would like to know. Now there is a reason for that, and the reason is that His Excellency, good as he may have been, high as his ideals may have been, has become the instrument to further the political factions of this State one above the other.

Let me say to you, in conclusion, if this is a factional proposition, then let us clean house to-day, and the reason I was opposed to the amendments of the gentlemen on the other side last night was that if there is any housecleaning to do in the Republican ranks let the Republicans do it, and let us, like Massachusetts, put our own iniquity into the sunshine. Now what ought we to do under this resolution? Under this resolution every man who is in favor of the honest administration of the finances of this state, every man who is in favor, any man who holds high position, should respect that position with a diligent, careful administration of his position and without suspicion on his honor or his honesty, should be for this resolution. Why? Because men of his own type, class and peers are to investigate those gentlemen, whether it be the Governor, the Auditor General, Public Service Commissioner, Fish Commissioner, Health Commissioner, or anybody else that this resolution may embrace, the Mayor of Philadelphia or the Mayor of Pittsburgh, as some say the purpose of this resolution is. Senator Penrose can be subpoenaed in this case, and Senator Penrose can be questioned, and if he has committed wrong he can be made a party and he can be prosecuted, and therefore this investigation does not mean one man, or two men, but every man who has committed wrong, and he has forfeited his right to the respect of this Senate until he is cleared of that accusation, be he the Governor of this state, or be he the man who wipes the marble on the outside.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President. In further answer to my friend on the right, the Senator from Schuylkill, the drawing of the $1500 for expense account, incidental expense account of the Governor, was just in line with what has been going on in this state for many, many years. He just succeeded Governor Tener and went on with these practices. In addition to that he got a letter from the Auditor General, who is a lawyer, and I suppose he knows how money is taken from the state treasury, advising him he need not make up a record of what he took. Notwithstanding that, he went on and made a record, showing how honest he was. My further answer to the assertion that Senator Penrose can be brought before this commission is that Senator Penrose is not a state officer, and it has been so decided time and time again.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Beidleman,	Eyre,	Miller,	Warner,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Wasbers,
Catlin,	Hackett,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Hindman,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Kline,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Daix,	Leiby,	Sones,	
DeWitt,	McConnell,	Sproul,	

NAYS—19.

Burke,	Jenkins,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,
Craig,	Jones,	Patton,	Snyder, P. W.,
Graff, J. F.,	Lynch,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Haldeman,	Magee,	Salus,	Vare,
Homsher,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 5.20 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, February 7, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, February 6, 1917.

The House met at 10.00 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Great and Omniscent God, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth. The glory is above the heavens, when we consider the heavens, the sun, the moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained. Truly the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth his handiwork. What is man that Thou art mindful of him, or the son of man that Thou visiteth him. May we ever show forth Thy marvelous works and love righteousness, knowing that Thou, O Lord, lovest righteousness and that Thy countenance upholdeth the upright. Give us power to walk uprightly, strength to work righteousness and grace to speak the truth to Thee in our hearts and forever rest in the hope of eternal life. Show us Thy path of life, give us fullness of joy and heavenly pleasure for evermore. Grant that our prayers are not with feigned lips. Give us an insight of Thy loving kindness so that we shall behold Thy face in righteousness and be satisfied only when we awake with Thy likeness. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Albee, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 177.

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 178.

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Orthopaedic Hospital and Infirmary for Nervous Diseases.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. NEARY. House Bill No. 179.

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Polyclinic and College for Graduates in Medicine.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CURRY. House Bill No. 180.

An Act making an appropriation to the Penn Asylum for Indigent Widows and Single Women, located at Belgrade Street and Susquehanna Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 181.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital, of Altoona, Blair County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 182.

An Act making an appropriation to the Altoona Hospital, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 183.

An Act making an appropriation to the Nason Hospital Association, Roaring Spring, Blair County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CURRY. House Bill No. 184.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Mary's Hospital, Located at Frankford Avenue and Palmer Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALKER. House Bill 185.

An Act, amending section six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts, instead of imposing sentences; the appointment of probation and parole officers, and the payment of their salaries and expenses; regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases, and providing for their release on parole; their conviction of crime during parole, and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole; and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries," approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven; in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third the maximum sentence.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. CONRAD D. MILLER. House Bill No. 186.

An Act making an appropriation to the United Charities, of Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 187.

An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of game, game-quadrupeds and game-birds, and song and insectivorous and other wild birds, and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. DAVID F. DAVIS. House Bill No. 188.

An Act making an appropriation to the Taylor Hospital Association of the Borough of Taylor, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 189.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Fulton and Huntingdon.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. BLACK. House Bill No. 190.

An Act providing a system whereby persons absent from their regular polling places may cast their votes; imposing certain powers and duties upon the County Commissioners, Prothonotaries, Judges of Election, Return Boards of the various counties and the Board of Registration Commissions in cities of the first and second class in relation thereto; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. BLACK. House Bill No. 191.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three, entitled "An Act providing that voters in this Commonwealth shall cast their ballots at polling places inside the election district in which they are domiciled and making it the duty of the courts of quarter sessions of the several counties to carry out the provisions of the same."

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. BARNER. House Bill No. 192.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Cumberland.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. BARNER. House Bill No. 193.

An Act making an appropriation to the Old Folks' Home, under the auspices of the Church of the Brethern, near Huntsdale, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 194.

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth, certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense; to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same, requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof, conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement, of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, incorporated towns, with the Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts of parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" approved May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred eleven, by providing that certain roads, streets and highways in boroughs and incorporated towns, shall be constructed and maintained by the State Highway Department in the same manner as State highways in townships.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 195.

An Act to amend an act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock; approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose; constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity, or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,"' approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing or sale of petroleum products;" extending the same to companies engaged in packing, manipulating, or manufacturing tobacco, or manufacturing cigars, cigarettes or other tobacco products.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MARVIN. House Bill No. 196.

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of reimbursing counties for monies advanced to incorporated county agricultural associations and for reimbursing incorporated county agricultural associations for premiums paid on exhibits.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 197.

An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the Anthracite Coal Mines of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith creating Assistant Mine Inspectors, defining their duties and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. FRETZ. House Bill No. 198.

An Act making an appropriation for the Grand View Hospital, located near Sellersville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 199.

An Act to amend section twelve of an act approved the eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred three), entitled "An Act to provide for the more effectual protection of the public health in the several municipalities of this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 200.

An Act making an appropriation to the West Side Hospital Association of the City of Scranton.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Br. Mr. ASTON. House Bill No. 201.

An Act making an appropriation to the Wilkes-Barre City Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. House Bill No. 202.

An Act making an appropriation to the Simon H. Burnes Memorial Hospital, of Susquehanna, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BENCHOFF. House Bill No. 203.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Franklin.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 204.

An Act to restrict the soliciting or taking or receiving of orders for vinous and spiritous, malt or brewed liquors, or any admixtures thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 205.

An Act making an appropriation to the Beaver Valley General Hospital, at New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CHRISTMAN. House Bill No. 206.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pottstown Hospital, Pottstown, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 207.

An Act making an appropriation to the Beaver County Children's Home Association, of New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 208.

An Act making an appropriation to the Providence Hospital, of Beaver Falls, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 209.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Francis Hospital, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 210.

An Act making an appropriation to the Orphan Asylum of the Holy Family, of Emsworth, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. COLDSMITH. House Bill No. 211.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mount Pleasant Memorial Hospital, of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 212.

An Act making an appropriation to the Warren Emergency Hospital, of Warren, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 213.

An Act making an appropriation to the Industrial Home for Crippled Children, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 214.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Association for the Blind, at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 215.

An Act directing the Public Service Commission to appoint appraisers to fix the physical value of the lines, rolling-stock, and other equipments of Street Railway Corporations, operating in this State; empowering the Commission to enforce the purchase and elimination of all fictitious, non-earning stock that may have been issued in excess of the physical valuation of any such corporation's plant and accessories thereto; making an appropriation to cover the expense of such appraisement and fixing a penalty for violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 216.

An Act to amend Article XXII, Section 12, of the Election Laws, so as to make it obligatory on each voter, at the General Election, who may apply for assistance in the preparation of his ballot, to make an affidavit, naming the disability that causes him to require such assistance.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 217.

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend Section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend Section nine of an act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 218.

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 219.

An Act making military and naval instruction and training compulsory in all schools, public, parochial and private, seminaries, colleges and universities and all institutions of learning in this Commonwealth for all male pupils over the age of twelve years and providing for said training and instruction.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. FRANK I. SMITH. House Bill No. 220.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Pike and Wayne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 221.

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," by including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 222.

A Supplement to an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (P. L. 85), entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions; and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines and penalties received," by providing for the granting of "Resident Hunter's Licenses" to certain soldiers, sailors and marines, without the payment of any fee.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 223.

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians, of Warren County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 224.

An Act to amend clause eighteen of section nineteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

By Mr. SIMPSON. House Bill No. 225.

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons, either in property or person, upon any property owned by said county, city, borough or township, or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township, and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 226.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act providing for the merger and consolidation of street railway and motor power companies," approved the 15th day of June, A. D. 1911, providing for a financial report and list of stockholders and shares held by each to be filed with the Secretary of Internal Affairs and fixing penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Electric Railways.

By Mr. MERVINE. House Bill No. 227.

An Act making an appropriation to the General Hospital, of East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 228.

An Act concerning the mitilia, including the naval militia; authorizing the Governor, in certain cases, to call for volunteers, or to order the making of a draft; and imposing certain powers and duties upon mayors of cities and burgesses of towns and boroughs incident thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

By Mr. MERVINE. House Bill No. 229.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Monroe.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. MERVINE. House Bill No. 230.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Monroe.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. JACK. House Bill No. 231.

An Act relating to returns by constables to the courts of quarter sessions.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. RUDDY. House Bill No. 232.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder," approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 233.

An Act making an appropriation to the Gynecean Hospital, in the City of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PETITIONS.

PROTESTING AGAINST TAXATION OF FISHERMEN.

Mr. HELT presented the petition of Newberry Camp of United Sportsmen of Pennsylvania opposing bill assessing a tax on fishermen.

Which was referred to the Committee on Game.

PRAYING FOR CHANGES IN THE GAME LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Mr. HELT presented the petition of Newberry Camp of United Sportsmen of Pennsylvania praying for changes in the Game Laws of Pennsylvania.

Which was referred to the Committee on Game.

PRAYING FOR ABOLISHMENT OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

Mr. HELT presented the petition of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends, Committee on Philanthropic Labor, praying for the abolishment of Capital Punishment.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

PRAYING FOR PENSIONING G. A. R. VETERANS.

Mr. HELT presented the petition of Post No. 335, G. A. R., praying for the pensioning of G. A. R. Veterans.

Which was referred to the Committee on Pensions and Gratuities.

PRAYING FOR INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mr. HELT presented a number of petitions from citizens of Northumberland County praying for increased appropriations for Public Schools.

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF A LOCAL OPTION BILL.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of the Society of Friends held at Haverford, Delaware County, praying for the passage of a Local Option Bill.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

PROTESTING AGAINST A CENTRAL COMMISSION FOR THE PURCHASE OF INSTITUTIONAL SUPPLIES.

Mr. HELT presented the petition of the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville protesting against a Central Commission for the Purchasing of Institutional Supplies.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 95, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws 203), to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse; and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan; and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the present directors (chosen in conformity to the act to which this is a supplement) be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon such site as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and shall certify their proceedings to the clerk of the quarter sessions of said county which proceedings shall be filed in his office and shall have the same effect as if the same were or had been so determined by the trustees first appointed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the directors of the poor and of the House of Employment for the County of York whenever in the opinion of a majority of said directors the lands buildings and furnishings for maintaining the poor in said County of York are inadequate unsuitable and unsafe for the proper maintaining of the poor within the said County of York be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon and to purchase such land or lands as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and suitable for the purpose of the erection of proper adequate and secure buildings fo rthe employment and support of the poor in the County of York The said directors or a majority of them are authorized to have prepared plans and specifications for any building or buildings to be erected upon lands so purchased by the said directors and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected upon the said lands according to the said plans and specifications Provided however That before the said directors shall purchase any lands or let any contract for the erection

of said buildings according to plans and specifications adopted they shall advertise in two or more newspapers of general circulation in the County of York for bids or offers of lands for said purposes and for bids for the erection of buildings on said lands according to the said plans and specifications and such purchase of lands and the letting of the contract or contracts for the erection of said buildings shall first be approved by the Court of Quarter Sessions of the County of York.

To carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners of York county shall have the power and it shall be their duty to procure a loan at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum on estimates furnished by the said directors sufficient to furnish the necessary funds to purchase said lands pay for said plans and specifications to erect said buildings and furnish the same in connection with any sum or sums of money in the hands or control of the said directors of the poor and any sum of money realized from the sale of the site and buildings of the present almshouse together with all moneys now rightfully belonging to the poor board by whomever the same may be held or deposited which moneys shall be turned over to the use of the county commissioners for such purposes only

The directors of the poor with the approval of the court of quarter sessions of the County of York are authorized to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse and apply the proceeds of such sale as herein above directed

The said commissioners shall have the power and it shall be their duty to assess levy and collect together with other county rates and levies and on the same subjects of taxation an amount sufficient to gradually reduce the said loan and entirely cancel the same within thirty years Whenever the said buildings shall be finished and completed the said directors of the poor shall certify their proceedings to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of said York county whereupon the said court shall appoint three competent and disinterested persons viewers to view and thoroughly examine said buildings and report to the court whether the said contract or contracts have been faithfully and fully performed and completed and until such report be so made final payment on said contract or contracts shall not be made and paid The said viewers shall be entitled to five dollars per day for each day necessarily engaged in the performance of their duties

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Section 1, page 4, line 22, "thrized" should read thorized.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

On page 5, strike out "Section 3," and insert in lieu thereof the words "Section 2."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in the County of York' " approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend the title in line 3 by striking out "House of employment" and inserting in lieu thereof the words House for the employment.

Amend the title, line 17, by striking out the word "now".

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION PLEDGING SUPPORT TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, February 5, 1917.

Whereas, The President of the United States has informed the Congress that a very grave crisis exists in the international relations of the country which in his opinion may lead to the necessity of defending our national rights, dignity and honor by force of arms; all other reasonable and honorable means having failed after patient and forbearing negotiations, now, therefor be it

Resolved (if the House concur), that the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, sitting in General Assembly at Harrisburg, do send to the President and government of the United States assurances of the loyal support and full co-operation of Pennsylvania in every national undertaking which in their wisdom may be necessary to meet the situation and to protect and vindicate American rights, dignity and honor, wherever or by whom they may be endangered, and be it further

Resolved, That the General Assembly calls upon the people of Pennsylvania to give to the President and the Federal Government in all ways their patriotic support and assistance in whatever plans or measures may be required in the present emergency, as they have done in the past in every crisis in the nation's history; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor of the Commonwealth be and he is hereby requested to forward copies of these resolutions to the President of the United States and to the presiding officers of both of the Houses of Congress.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk notify the Senate accordingly.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. As there is no other business on the desk at the present time, I would suggest that we have a session this afternoon at five or six o'clock so that the committees, who I presume will be busy to-day, will have an opportunity to report whatever bills they decide to pass out. By reporting them out this evening we practically gain a day. In other words, they will come on the calendar to-morrow for first reading.

RECESS.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will declare a recess until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTER RECESS.

The House reconvened at 5.00 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. WICKMAN. House Bill No. 234.

An Act providing a means to fix responsibility on general contractors, sub-contractors, agents or receivers, for the payment of bills for material and wages contracted for, or hired, for the building of houses, or improvements, the construction of railroads and any other building or construction for which material shall have been supplied, and for which labor shall have been hired and such service given.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 235.

An Act making an appropriation to the Homeopathic Medical and Surgical Hospital of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BLACK. House Bill No. 236.

An Act defining and regulating the occupation of barbering, including the licensing of persons engaged in barbering, the regulation of students of barbering and the regulation of barber shops, barber schools and barber colleges and fixing penalties for violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Br. MANGAN. House Bill No. 237.

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Joseph's Hospital and Dispensary of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MANGAN. House Bill No. 238.

An Act to regulate advertisements and solicitations for employes during strikes and lockouts or other labor disputes.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 239.

An Act making an appropriation to the Reading Hospital in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GOODWIN. House Bill No. 240.

An Act amending section eight of an act, approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of its several provisions, and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines and penalties received."

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. GOODWIN. House Bill No. 241.

An Act amending an act approved the twelfth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment county auditors, within this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. CHRISTMAN. House Bill No. 242.

An Act making an appropriation to the Homeopathic Hospital of Pottstown, Montgomery County Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 243.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 244.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. House Bill No. 245.

An Act amending the fourth section of an act approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy prothonotaries in counties of this Commonwealth, having a population of more than two hundred and fifty thousand and less than a million, and defining their qualifications, powers, and salary," by changing the amount of the salary payable to the deputy prothonotaries in such counties.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 246.

An Act making an appropriation to the Butler County General Hospital at Butler, Pa.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 247.

An Act providing that the Commonwealth, and all Counties thereof and all public institutions owned, managed, and controlled by the Commonwealth or any County thereof, shall purchase supplies and certain materials from State correctional institutions; and making it unlawful under certain circumstances for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or any County Controller or the Treasurer of any such public institutions to approve any bill for such materials or supplies purchased elsewhere.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 248.

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 249.

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amead section one of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 250.

An Act relating to Limited Partnerships.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 251.

An Act making an appropriation to the Berean Manual Training and Industrial School.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 252.

An Act making an appropriation to the National Stomach Hospital, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 253.

An Act making an appropriation to the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, for use in the Hospital Department.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CUMMINS. House Bill No. 254.

An Act making an appropriation to the Germantown Hospital, of Germantown, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CUMMINS. House Bill No. 255.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Mounut Airy, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CUMMINS. House Bill No. 256.

An Act making an appropriation to the House of Good Shepherd, Penn and Chew Streets, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 257.

An Act making an appropriation to the Nazarene Home for the Aged, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 258.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital and School for Nurses, in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 259.

An Act providing that all printing done for, or by, the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 260.

An Act regulating the purchase of, and contract for, supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 261.

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 262.

A Supplement to an act entitled, "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty five; providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 263.

An Act amending sections two, four, eight and nine of an act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, six hundred fifty-six), entitled, "An Act providing a system of employment and compensation for the inmates of the Eastern Penitentiary, Western Penitentiary, and the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon, and for such other correctional institutions as shall be hereafter established by the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor;" fixing the salaries of the members of the Prison Labor Commission; requiring the several state institutions to purchase materials and supplies from the Prison Labor Commission; providing for the payment of certain sums to dependents of prisoners; and permitting prisoners to draw moneys for present needs.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. BENNINGER. House Bill No. 264.

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (P. L. 667), entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease, and the compensation therefor."

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. PERRY House Bill No. 265.

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. House Bill No. 266.

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act, approved the fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register, clerks and employes in the office of Register of Wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register, clerks and employes of the office of Register of Wills of said counties.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 216.

An Act to amend Article XXII, Section 12, of the Election Laws, so as to make it obligatory on each voter, at the General Election, who may apply for assistance in the preparation of his ballot, to make an affidavit, naming the disability that causes him to require such assistance.

Re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 224.

An Act to amend clause eighteen of section nineteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Re-referred to the Committee on Printing.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 100.

An Act creating in the Department of Mines a division for the mining and sale of coal; providing for the mining and sale of coal by the Commonwealth; providing a system of administration in connection therewith; and making an appropriation.

Re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. WOODWARD, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended House Bill No. 61, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year, ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts, page thirty-three), providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 134, entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

Mr. ALBEE, from the Committee on Game, reported as committed House Bill No. 218, entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

Mr. HESS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 69, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking.

Mr. CLEMENTS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to amend Section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act" to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bill numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 18 (House Bill No. 279):

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Judicial Departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SENATE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, February 6, 1917.

Resolved, (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns on Wednesday, February seventh, it be to meet on Monday evening, February twelfth, at nine thirty o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, February twelfth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution,

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Authorizing the Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Printing and Binding to perform all duties and to exercise all powers by law imposed on the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding until an appointment to fill said office is confirmed.

Whereas, Because of the resignation of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding and because no appointment to fill the resulting vacancy has as yet been confirmed, there is no person authorized to perform the duties or to exercise the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding; and

Whereas, It is desirable and necessary for the proper administration of the Department of Public Printing and Binding that there be a person vested in the said powers and duties; therefore

Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Printing and Binding is hereby authorized, until an appointment to the office of Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is confirmed by the Senate, to perform all the duties and to exercise all the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding, with like effect as if the same had been done by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding regularly appointed and confirmed.

The Chief Clerk shall receive and open all bids, and shall award contracts for executing the public printing and binding for term of four years from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, as provided by the general law.

The Chief Clerk shall also sign and approve all pay rolls and all other orders and vouchers which the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is by law authorized to sign and approve.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11.00 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 5.25 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11.00 o'clock.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, February 7, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for all the opportunities coming to us in life to develop and make more efficient our individual lives. Never before in the history of the world and especially in the history of our American nation has there been a greater and more important opportunity offered to our people to be a blessing to the world. We pray Thee to so guide all the newspapers of the United States and all the leaders of men in every state of our Union that every expression we make and the spirit that we carry with us may help those who have the final words to offer, to decide in such a manner as to stamp us as a great, broad-minded, broad-gauged Christian nation. We ask in the Saviour's name, Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SPROUL, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. PLYMOUTH W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 163, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 164, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Altoona Hospital, Altoona, Blair County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 165, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the J. C. Blair Memorial Hospital, located at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 166, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Association for the Blind, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid upon the table.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such funds and payments therefrom.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McKee,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	McNichol,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 6, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of the Act of Assembly approved the 28th day of March, 1907 entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the 8th day of June, A. D. 1911.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,
Burke,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Washers,
Daix,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
			Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Burke,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Kline,	Salus,	Pres. pro tem
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	
Eyre,	Magee,	Schantz,	

NAYS—2.

Tompkins, Wasbers,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 9, entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 2, page 5, line 22, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of"; also in section 4, page 7, line 27, by striking out "dividen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "dividend."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 10, as follows:

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any county of this Commonwealth may appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of any State highway or State aid highway or any public highway within its proper limits Provided however that no improvement can be made to the aforesaid State highways or State aid highways until the same has been submitted and approved by the State Highway Department.

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Weaver,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Eyre,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 12, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Magee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Stewart,
Burke,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Vare,
Craig,	Hindman,	Patton,	Weaver,
Croft,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Jones,	Schantz,	Pres. pro tem
DeWitt,	Kline,	Smith, W. W.,	
Endsley,	Leiby,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Eyre,	Lynch,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 14, entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven, of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 198), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—39.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Sones,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 16, on third reading, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 22, entitled

An Act prohibiting the construction without consent of the owner of public sewers and drains over across through and under lands used or intended for use as a cemetery.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 31, entitled

An Act to amend section 3 of an Act, approved the 2nd day of May, 1899 (P. L. 184), entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods, wares and merchandise, and providing for the collection of said tax," by changing the date of appointment and term, and providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of mercantile appraisers in cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 32, entitled

A supplement to an act approved the 7th day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (P. L. 876), entitled "An Act regulating the legal business of the State Government, and the employment of attorneys therefor, and defining the duties of the various departments, bureaus, boards, agents and commissions in relation thereto;" conferring certain powers upon the Auditor General, State Treasurer and Secretary of Internal Affairs.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 33, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled, "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty, both inclusive.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 34, entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Magee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Whitten,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, J. F.,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Hackett,	McKee,	Sones,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Craig,	Hindman,	Miller,	Vare,
Croft,	Homsher,	Nason,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Whitten,
Daix,	Jones,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—2.

Stewart, Tompkins.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 50, entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the Court of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Buckman,	Endsley,	Kline,	Phipps,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,
Catlin,	Hackett,	Lynch,	Sones,
Craig,	Haldeman,	Magee,	Sproul,
Croft,	Hindman,	McKee,	Vare,
Crow,	Homsher,	McNichol,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Miller,	Pres. pro tem
DeWitt,	Jones,	Patton,	

NAYS—4.

Baldwin, Nason, Snyder, P. W., Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 51, entitled

An Act authorizing the courts of Common Pleas to fix the compensation of the Prothonotary and assistants in computing the election returns also the Congressional Return Judge in districts comprised of more than one county.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Magee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Daix,	Kline,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—3.

Hindman, Leiby, Smith, R. E.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 55, on third reading, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the case.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 58, entitled

At Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Magee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McKee,	Stewart,
Burke,	Hindman,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Miller,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Whitten,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	Lynch,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 61, entitled

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, J. F.,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 65, on third reading, entitled

An Act relating to desertion and non-support and directing imprisonment at hard labor in certain cases providing for the payment of certain sums of money by either the institutions wherein the dependent is confined or the respective county for the support of dependents providing for the appointment of desertion probation officers and for their salaries and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bail bonds bonds or recognizances and providing for the payment by the county of the salaries and expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 88, on third reading, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the Commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such Commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the Commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said Commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the 19th day of June, 1911, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof, repealing the act approved the 31st day of May, 1907, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act approved the 4th day of June, 1883, entitled, 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the 17th Article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations, may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars,' and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars, approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1907, and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the 29th day of April, 1874, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court, and conferring jurisdiction on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to dispose of certain pending appeals.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 89, as follows:

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thonsand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles which have been or may hereafter be paid into the State Treasury for registrations and license fees for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen or which may be paid into the State Treasury from said sources thereafter be and the same are hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways as described in the Act of Assembly creating the State Highway Department approved May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and eleven said moneys to be paid from the State Treasury upon requisition of the Highway Commissioner and after audit and approval by the Auditor General and State Treasurer in the usual manner

Section 2 That part of the Act of Assembly approved June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making an appropriation to the State Highway Department which provides that the appropriations made by said act shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth during the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the licensing of motor vehicles and drivers under the act of July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen be and the same is hereby repealed in so far as it applies to any funds received by the State Treasury from said sources for licenses and registrations for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen or for years subsequent thereto Provided That this act shall not be construed as in any way reducing the amounts appropriated to the State Highway Department by said act of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution?

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Washers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 29, as follows:

An Act to amend "The Public Service Company Law" approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred and seventy-four) by creating the Public Ser-

vice Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Department of Internal Affairs fixing the number of commissioners and their terms making the Secretary of Internal Affairs the chairman of the commission and fixing a time when the terms of the present commissioners shall cease

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of Article four of "The Public Service Company Law" approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 For the purpose of regulating public service companies and of carrying out the provisions of this act an administrative body or commission is hereby established to be known as the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in that name it shall issue its orders and certificates and may become or be made a party to legal proceedings It shall have an official seal which shall be prepared and furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth with the words "The Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and such other design as the commission may prescribe engraved thereon by which seal it shall authenticate its proceedings and of which seal the courts shall take judicial notice" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 For the purpose of regulating public service companies and of carrying out the provisions of this act an administrative body or commission is hereby established within the Department of Internal Affairs to be known as the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in that name it shall issue its orders and certificates and may become or be made a party to legal proceedings It shall have an official seal which shall be prepared and furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth with the words "The Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and such other design as the commission may prescribe engraved thereon by which seal it shall authenticate its proceedings and of which seal the courts shall take judicial notice

Section 2 Section two of Article four of said act which reads as follows

"This commission shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate Each commissioner at the time of his appointment and qualification shall be a resident of Pennsylvania and shall have been a qualified elector therein for a period of at least one year next preceding his appointment and shall also be not less than thirty years of age

"The commissioners first appointed under this act shall continue in office for the terms of four five six seven eight nine and ten years respectively from the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and until their respective successors shall be duly appointed and shall have qualified but their successors shall each be appointed for a term of ten years

"A member of said commission designated by the Governor shall during his term of office be the chairman of the commission The chairman shall when present preside at all meetings and in his absence the member whose term shall first expire shall preside" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 This commission shall consist of five members one of whom shall be the Secretary of Internal Affairs The remaining four shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate Each of such appointed commissioners at the time of his appointment and qualification shall be a resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall have been a qualified elector therein for a period of at least one year next preceding his appointment He shall also be not less than thirty years of age

The commissioners first appointed under this act shall continue in office for the terms of three four five and six years respectively from the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nineteen at which time the terms of the present commission shall cease Such commissioners shall hold office until their respective successors shall be duly appointed and shall have qualified but their successors shall each be appointed for a term of six years

The Secretary of Internal Affairs shall during his term of office as Secretary of Internal Affairs be the chairman ex-officio of the commission The Secretary of Internal Affairs shall first become chairman of the commission on the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and nineteen The chairman shall when present preside at all meetings and in his absence the member whose term shall first expire shall preside

The commissioners to be appointed by the Governor under this act may be appointed at any time before the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and nineteen at which time the commission constituted by these amendments shall commence their duties

Section 3 Section three of Article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 When a vacancy shall occur in the office of any commissioner a commissioner shall in the maner aforesaid be appointed for the residue of the term If the Senate shall not be in session when this act is approved or when any vacancy occurs the original appointments or any appointment made by the Governor to fill a vacancy shall be subject to the approval of the Senate when convened

"A quorum of the commission shall be four members who for all purposes including the making of any order or the ratification of any act done or order made by one or more of the commissioners must act unanimously

"No vacancy in the commission shall impair the right of a quorum of the commissioners to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the commission" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 When a vacancy shall occur in the office of any appointed commissioner a commissioner shall in the manner aforesaid be appointed for the residue of the term If the Senate shall not be in session when this act is approved or when any vacancy occurs the original appointments or any appointment made by the Governor to fill a vacancy shall be subject to the approval of the Senate when convened

A quorum of the commission shall be three members who for all purposes including the making of any order or the ratfiication of any act done or order made by one or more of the commissioners must act unanimously

No vacancy in the commission shall impair the right of a quorum of the commissioners to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the commission

Section 4 That section five of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 The commission shall have a secretary to be appointed by it and to hold office at its pleasure It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a full and true record of all the proceedings of the commission and of all determinations rulings and orders made by the commission or by any of the commissioners and of the approval and confirmation by the commission of determinations rulings or orders made by individual members thereof

The secretary shall be the custodian of the records of the commission and file and preserve at its general office all books maps profiles tariffs schedules reports and documents and papers whatsoever filed with it or entrusted to its care and shall be responsible to the commission for the same

Under the direction of the commission the secretary shall be its chief executive officer have general charge of its general office superintend its clerical business conduct its correspondence give notice of all determinations rulings and orders of the commission prepare for service such papers and notices as may be required of him by the commission and perform such other duties as the commission may prescribe He shall have power and authority to administer oaths in all parts of the Commonwealth in all proceedings by or before the commission or any commissioner and in all cases or matters appertaining to the duties of his office

The Secretary shall have power to designate from time to time one of the clerks appointed by the commission to perform the duties of the secretary during his absence and the clerk so appointed shall possess for the time designated the powers of the secretary of the commission

The secretary shall be the disbursing officer of the commission subject to the approval of the commission with respect to both requisitions and expenditures and before entering upon the duties of his office he shall file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a bond to the Commonwealth with corporate security in the sum of ten thousand dollars to be approved by the Governor conditioned for the faithful performance of his official duties" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 The commission shall have a secretary to be appointed by the chairman after consultation with the other members of the commission and to hold office at its pleasure It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a full and true record of all the proceedings of the commission and of all determinations rulings and orders made by the commission or by any of the commissioners and of the approval and confirmation by the commission of determinations rulings or orders made by individual members thereof

The secretary shall be the custodian of the records of the commission and file and preserve at its general office all books maps profiles tariffs schedules reports and documents and papers whatsoever filed with it or entrusted to its care and shall be responsible to the commission for the same

Under the direction of the commission the secretary shall be its chief executive officer have general charge of its general office superintend its clerical business conduct its correspondence give notice of all determinations rulings and orders of the commission prepare for service such papers and notices as shall be required of him by the commission and perform such other duties as the commission may prescribe He shall have power and authority to administer oaths in all parts of the Commonwealth in all proceedings by or before the commission or any commissioner and in all cases or matters appertaining to the duties of his office

The secretary shall have power to designate from time to time one of the clerks appointed by the chairman to perform the duties of the secretary during his absence and the clerk so appointed shall possess for the time designated the powers of the secretary of the commission

The secretary shall be the disbursing officer of the commission subject to the approval of the commission with respect to both requisitions and expenditures and before entering upon the duties of his office he shall file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a bond to the Commonwealth with corporate security in the sum of ten thousand dollars to be approved by the Governor conditioned for the faithful performance of his official duties

Section 5 That section seven of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 7 The commission shall appoint a marshal to serve during its pleasure He shall attend the hearings of the commission preserve order thereat superintend the serving of subpoenas orders of the commission and such other papers as the commission may direct make such reports and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the commission" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 The chairman after consultation with the other members of the commission shall appoint a marshal to serve during its pleasure He shall attend the hearings of the commission preserve order thereat superintend the serving of subpoenas orders of the commission and such other papers as the commission may direct make such reports and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the commission

Section 6 That section eight of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 8 The commission shall appoint an investigator of accidents whose duty it shall be to have charge of the investigation of and to investigate subject to the orders and direction of the commission the cause of any accident in or about or in connection with the operation of the property facilities or service of any public service company wherein any person shall have been killed or injured or property shall have been destroyed or injured which may be assigned to him for investigation by the commission or of the happening of which he may by due diligence obtain knowledge and to make a full and complete report thereon to the commission and also to report to the commission whether any public service company has failed to perform the duties prescribed by article two section one (X) of this act with relation to accidents of the happening of which in the exercise of due diligence he may obtain knowledge and also to collate and tabulate all data statistics and other pertinent information for the use of the commission obtained by him as the result of such investigations and to make an annual report of such investigations to the commission with recommendations as to means or methods whereby such accidents may be averted and to perform all such other duties concerning said accidents as to the commission may seem advisable for the promotion of the safety of patrons and employes of public service companies and of the safety and welfare of the public Such reports statistics data or information shall not be open for public inspection except by order of the commission and shall not be admitted in evidence for any purpose in any suit for damages growing out of any matter or thing mentioned therein" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 8 The chairman after consultation with the other members of the commission shall appoint an investigator of accidents whose duty it shall be to have charge of the investigation of and to investigate subject to the orders and direction of the commission the cause of any accident in or about or in connection with the operation of the property facilities or service of any public service company wherein any person shall have been killed or injured or property shall have been destroyed or injured which may be assigned to him for investigation by the commission or of the happening of which he may by due diligence obtain knowledge and to make a full and complete report thereon to the commission and also to report to the commission whether any public service company has failed to perform the duties prescribed by article two section one (X) of this act with relation to accidents of the happening of which in the exercise of due diligence he may obtain knowledge and also to collate and tabulate all data statistics and other pertinent information for the use of the commission obtained by him as the result of such investigations and to make an annual report of such investigations to the commission with recommendations as to means or methods whereby such accidents may be averted and to perform all such other duties concerning said accidents as to the commission may seem advisable for the promotion of the safety of patrons and employes of public service companies and of the safety and welfare of the public Such reports statistics data or information shall not be open for public inspection except by order of the commission and shall not be admitted in evidence for any purpose in any suit for damages growing out of any matter or thing mentioned therein

Section 7 That section nine of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 9 The commission shall have power to employ during its pleasure and at such rates of compensation as it may determine such officers experts engineers statisticians accountants inspectors clerks and employes as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this act or to perform the duties and exercise the powers conferred upon the commission" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 9. The chairman of the commission after consultation with the other members of the commission shall have power to employ during its pleasure and at such rates of compensation as it may determine such officers experts engineers statisticians accountants inspectors clerks and employes as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this act or to perform the duties and exercise the powers conferred upon the commission

Section 8 So much of section ten of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 10 Each of the commissioners shall receive an annual salary of ten thousand dollars except the chairman who shall receive an annual salary of ten thousand five hundred dollars" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 10 Each of the appointed commissioners shall receive an annual salary of ten thousand dollars

Section 9 So much of section twelve of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 12 No person shall be appointed a member of the commission or hold any place position or office under it who occupies any official relation to any public service company doing business in this Commonwealth or who holds any other appointive or elective office of the Commonwealth or any municipality thereof No commissioner shall during his term be a candidate for any such office" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 12 No person shall be appointed a member of the commission or hold any place position or office under it who occupies any official relation to any public service company doing business in this Commonwealth or who holds any other appointive or elective office of the Commonwealth or any municipality thereof No commissioner shall during his term be a candidate for any such office Nothing herein contained shall prohibit the Secretary of Internal Affairs from being a candidate to succeed himself in such office

Section 10 Section fifteen of article four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 15 The Governor by and with the consent of the Senate may remove any commissioner or any of the counsel to the commission for inefficiency neglect of duty or misconduct in office giving him a copy of the charges against him and affording him an opportunity to be publicly heard in person or by counsel in his own defense upon not less than ten days' notice If such commissioner shall be removed the Governor shall file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a complete statement of all charges made against such commissioner and his finding thereon together with a complete record of the proceedings" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 15 The Governor by and with the consent of the Senate may remove any appointed commissioner or any of the counsel to the commission for inefficiency neglect of duty or misconduct in office giving him a copy of the charges against him and affording him an opportunity to be publicly heard in person or by counsel in his own defense upon not less than ten days' notice If such appointed commissioner shall be removed the Governor shall file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a complete statement of all charges made against such commissioner and his findings thereon together with a complete record of the proceedings

Section 11 All records dockets books maps profiles tariffs schedules reports documents and papers belonging to or in the custody of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania created by the act of which this is an amendment shall be transferred to the Department of Internal Affairs and shall hereafter remain in the custody of said department

Section 12 Except as herein otherwise specifically provided this act shall take effect the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and nineteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend section nine of Article seven of an act entitled, "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nine of Article seven of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 9 If for any reason whatsoever a vacancy occurs in the city council whether as to the mayor or one or more of the other members of council the city council shall by its remaining members call a special city election the date of which said special city election shall be fixed by council and notice thereof given by public announcement of council for at least ten days prior thereto as herein provided to fill the vacancy or vacancies for the unexpired term or terms respectively and this shall be repeated from time to time as often as necessary except that if such vacancy or vacancies occur less than four months prior to the city election the vacancy shall remain unfilled and the work apportioned among the remaining councilmen without extra compensation until said city election

"The member of council who shall be designated superintendent of the department of accounts and finances shall

be vice president of the city council and acting mayor of the city during the absence or inability of the mayor to act and during such absence or inability he shall exercise all the right and powers of the mayor" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 9 If for any reason whatsoever a vacancy occurs or exists at the time this amendment goes into effect in the city council whether as to the mayor or one or more of the other members of council the city council shall by its remaining members by a majority thereof fill such vacancy within thirty (30) days thereafter by electing a qualified elector to serve until his successor is elected by the qualified electors at the next regular municipal election and duly sworn into office and the person so elected shall serve for the remainder of the term of the person originally elected to said office provided that if by reason of a tie vote or otherwise such vacancy shall not have been filled by the remaining members of city council within the time as limited herein the court of common pleas of the proper county upon the petition of ten or more qualified electors shall fill such vacancy or vacancies by the appointment of a qualified person or persons for the portion of the unexpired term as above provided Nominations of candidates for any such office shall be made at the primary preceding the said regular municipal election in accordance with the provisions of Article seven of the act to which this is an amendment

In case vacancies should occur whereby the offices of a majority of the members of the city council including the mayor should become vacant the remaining members shall fill such vacancies one at a time giving the new appointee such reasonable notice of his appointment as to enable him to meet and act with the then qualified members of the city council in making further appointments until a majority of the city council has been secured when the said majority shall fill the remaining vacancy or vacancies at a meeting attended by the majority of said city council such appointees to receive a majority of the votes of the members present at any such meeting The person or persons selected to fill such vacancy or vacancies shall hold their offices as herein provided

If at any time vacancies should occur or exist in the membership of all members of city council including the mayor the court of common pleas of the county in which such city is situate shall appoint a city council including a mayor of persons properly qualified who shall serve as hereinbefore provided

The member of city council who shall be designated as the superintendent of the department of accounts and finance shall be vice president of the city council and acting mayor of the city during the absence or inability of the mayor to act and during such absence or inability he shall exercise all the rights and powers of the mayor and in the event of a vacancy in the office of mayor by reason of death resignation or otherwise the vice president of council shall in like manner act as the mayor until the successor of the mayor is duly elected as hereinbefore provided and qualified

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 19, by striking out the word "finances" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "finance"; also on page 3, line 19, by striking out "vacances" and the word "officers" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "vacancies" and "offices"; also on page 4, line 2, by striking out the word "full" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fill"; also in line 21, by striking out the words "and qualified" and inserting after the word "elected" the words "and qualified"; also in line 3 by striking out the word "officers" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "offices."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows, and agreed to:

An Act to amend section nine of Article VII of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communications from the House of Representatives, which were laid upon the table.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county road; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of the township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the 24th day of July, A. D. 1913 (P. L. 1018), entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract, to repair, build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars," by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than one thousand dollars.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 46, entitled

An Act to prevent the manufacture, sale, offering or exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell adulterated or misbranded alcoholic and intoxicating liquors; imposing certain powers and duties on the Dairy and Food Commissioner, and prescribing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products, and prescribing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 62, entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the eleventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health, by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food, as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof, approved the eleventh day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food, within the meaning of said act; and providing penalties for the violation thereof,' providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, copartnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of separating good from bad eggs by the candling process, or of breaking eggs and using the contents thereof; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purposes of analysis; and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 62, the bill just read, be recommitted to the committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 69, entitled

A Supplement to the second section of an act entitled, "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled, 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine,' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distribution.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of certain soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one to sixty-five, conferring certain powers and duties on the Auditor General and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 72, the bill just read, be recommitted to the committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and making certain exceptions, and providing a Board of Optometrical Education, Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained, and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act, and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board, and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 84, entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis, his wife, residents of Washington Township, County of Erie, to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 98, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 99, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stocks, and upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations, co-partnership associations, and joint stock associations; providing the manner of collecting such tax, and prescribing penalties;" approved the 4th day of June, 1915; providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor-General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by said act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State police force as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, either in law or equity, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department, through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 114, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property, under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three; defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 116, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act, entitled "An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment, by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof," approved the twenty-fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 116, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations, in certain cases, and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof, approved the 27th day of March, 1903 (Pamphlet Laws, Page 79).

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 117, the bill just read, be recommitted to the committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

An Act providing for the location, construction, operation and maintenance of public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth, either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities, boroughs and townships thereof; authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways, streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements, and for the supervision, maintenance and control of said highways, streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation; providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction, operation and maintenance of such improvements; providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads; and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act to amend sections twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten, and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 126, entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities, organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 155, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages, and so forth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 167, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 168, entitled

An Act to safeguard human life and health throughout the Commonwealth, by providing for the prevention of infection or contagion from communicable diseases, by requiring pencils and penholders distributed to pupils of all schools within the Commonwealth, to be disinfected daily.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 6, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns on Wednesday, February seventh, it be to meet on Monday evening, February twelfth, at nine-thirty o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, February twelfth, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING TO PERFORM ALL DUTIES AND TO EXERCISE ALL POWERS BY LAW IMPOSED ON THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING UNTIL AN APPOINTMENT TO FILL SAID OFFICE IS CONFIRMED.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

Whereas, Because of the resignation of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding and because no appointment to fill the resulting vacancy has as yet been confirmed, there is no person authorized to perform the duties or to exercise the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding; and

Whereas, It is desirable and necessary for the proper administration of the Department of Public Printing and Binding that there be a person vested in the said powers and duties; therefore

Be it resolved, (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Printing and Binding is hereby authorized, until an appointment to the office of Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is confirmed by the Senate, to perform all the duties and to exercise all the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding, with like effect as if the same had been done by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding regularly appointed and confirmed.

The Chief Clerk shall receive and open all bids, and shall award contracts for executing the public printing and binding for term of four years from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, as provided by the general law.

The Chief Clerk shall also sign and approve all pay rolls and all other orders and vouchers which the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is by law authorized to sign and approve.

REPORT OF THE PHILADELPHIA SAVING FUND SOCIETY.

He also laid before the Senate report of The Philadelphia Saving Fund Society, in accordance with the provisions of the act approved May 15, 1824.

(For report see appendix.)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

BLAIR COUNTY.

John H. Hemphill, Altoona.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Joseph J. Baer, Wilkes-Barre.

MERCER COUNTY.

Luther H. Henry, Greenville.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

C. Howard Springman, Sunbury.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Herman Blombaum, Philadelphia.
Alfred D'Ambrosio, Philadelphia.
Joseph Edward Wenerd, Philadelphia.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

M. P. Shaffer, Stoyestown.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Joseph B. Slack, Irwin.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Jacob Greenberger, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Andrew J. Shigo, Lansford, February 10, 1917.

ELK COUNTY.

W. N. Goodrich, St. Marys, February 22, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

James Hale Steinman, Lancaster, February 26, 1917.
Charles F. Hager, Lancaster, February 27, 1917.

MIFFLIN COUNTY.

William H. Wren, Lewistown, February 27, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Charles W. Hunsberger, Green Lane, February 11, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Edwin Paul, Milton, February 27, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles C. Kleckner, Philadelphia, February 12, 1917.
James S. Clifford, Philadelphia, February 23, 1917.
Thos. Cummings, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Henry K. Fries, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Eugene Ziegler, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

R. Kay Portser, Greensburg, February 27, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Sones,
Burke,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Magee,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

RECESS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11.27 o'clock A. M. until Monday evening, February 12, 1917, at 9.30 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, February 7, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Great God, ever gracious and omnipresent, we thank Thee for light of another day. Thou art indeed our strength, our rock, our fortress, and our deliverer. Continue to be our shepherd, causing us to lie down in green pastures, and restoring our souls. May goodness and mercy follow us all the days of our lives, so that we may dwell in the House of the Lord forever. Cause us to serve Thee with pure hearts and clean hands, so that our souls may not be lifted into vanity. Bless, we beseech Thee, all manner of mankind for whom it is our duty to pray. Hasten the day when the Universal Brotherhood of Man and the General Fatherhood of God shall be established and ordained throughout all the earth. We praise Thy most holy name and pray for toleration and forbearance so that Thou, O God, may be loved and glorified, according to Thy spiritual ideals. As the hart panteth after the water brooks, grant, O Lord, that my soul may pant after Thee. Keep back all Thy servants from presumptuous sins. Let them not have dominion over us. Let the words of my mouth and meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Scott, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 267.

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 268.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BOYD. House Bill No. 269.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane for the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania, located at Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 270.

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale, in certain cases; and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 271.

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital, located in Frankford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 272.

An Act making an appropriation to the German Baptist Home at Lawndale, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 273.

An Act making an appropriation to the Old Ladies' Home, of Wissinoming, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 274.

An Act requiring State, County and Local Fair Associations to provide on the grounds used for fair or exhibition purposes, a sufficient number of public comfort stations or toilets; requiring the same to be kept in a sanitary condition and providing penalties for violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 275.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for the Training in Speech of Deaf Children before they are of school age, at Belmont Avenue and Monument Road, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 276.

An Act making an appropriation to the Salvation Army and Rescue Home, at Bellevue, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 277.

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," as amended by an act approved the twenty-second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 903).

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BURNETT. House Bill No. 278.

An Act making an appropriation to the Carlisle Hospital, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 280.

An Act making an appropriation to the Presbyterian Hospital, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 281.

An Act to prohibit the hunting, trapping or taking of any birds, game or wild animals upon the land of another, without permission from the owner or occupant of such land; and providing a penalty therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. SIMPSON. House Bill No. 282.

An Act to amend section ten of an act, entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over, prescribing his duties, and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. SOMERMAN. House Bill No. 283.

An Act making an appropriation to the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McKINNEY. House Bill No. 284.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania, at Polk, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 285.

An Act relating to and regulating the employment of persons in compressed air work.

Referred to the Committe on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. PERRY. House Bill No. 286.

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 287.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of Temple University for the use of Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 288.

An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the clay, ore and graphite mines of Pennsylvania, and for the inspection thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. GRANSBACH. House Bill No. 289.

An Act making an appropriation to the Hebrew Sheltering Home and Day Nursery for Children, in the County of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THEODORE MORGAN. House Bill No. 290.

An Act to prevent discrimination at places of public accommodation, resort or amusement, and to prevent publication and distribution of discriminating matter and to punish the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. THEODORE MORGAN. House Bill No. 291.

An Act making an appropriation to the Greenville Hospital, Greenville, Mercer County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCULLOUGH. House Bill No. 292.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Butler County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 293.

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens, and the proceedings for the collection thereof, in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RICHARDS. House Bill No. 294.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of Temple University for the use of Garretson Hospital, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 295.

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act, approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (P. L. 644), entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,'" as amended, by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 296.

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Joseph's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 297.

An Act making an appropriation to the Woman's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. DAVID F. DAVIS. House Bill No. 123.

An Act to provide for the support of the surface in all cases where coal and other minerals are hereafter mined, and providing remedies for failure to comply therewith.

Re-referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 1 (House Bill No. 326):

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public affairs, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 5 (House Bill No. 327):

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties, and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 8 (House Bill No. 328):

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 6 (House Bill No. 329):

An Act to further amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section first of the act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the eighth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 10 (House Bill No. 330):

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways, or any public highway, in any county of the Commonwealth.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 12 (House Bill No. 331):

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen, and providing penalties."

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 14 (House Bill No. 332):

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-eight), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace, and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 58 (House Bill No. 333):

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate,' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children, and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders," approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four); extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life, and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and its amendments of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 51 (House Bill No. 334):

An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas to fix the compensation of the Prothonotary and assistants in computing the election returns; also the congressional return judge in districts comprised of more than one county.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 55 (House Bill No. 335):

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 49 (House Bill No. 336):

An Act to authorize and require the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 34 (House Bill No. 337):

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 61 (House Bill No. 338):

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 89 (House Bill No. 339):

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and repealing the act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong.

Mr. PICKERING, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 162, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Corplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

Mr. PICKERING, from the Committee on Printing, reported as committed House Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act, approved the seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding, to carry out the provisions of section twelve, article three of the Constitution, in relation to the public printing and binding, and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended.

Mr. SONES, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 175, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the collection, revision, indexing and proof-reading of the material contained in the pamphlet known as "The Game, Fish, and Forestry Laws" of this Commonwealth.

Mr. MURDOCH, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 223, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians, of Warren County.

Mr. THEODORE MORGAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 32, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Danville, Pennsylvania.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco, or both cigars and tobacco, or for buying, selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco, or both, to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and warehouses for storage of such articles, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Mr. RININGER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 90, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two, Chapter seven of the act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Mr. FLYNN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 54, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, President-elect of the United States, to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen; and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff, and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

Mr. STITES, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Mr. SHOWALTER, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough, and township tax collectors, their executors and administrators if they are deceased, or either surety or sureties, if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes, to collect taxes, for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same, by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds, or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants, or by the expiration of their terms of office, and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. MARVIN asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. George W. Williams, for the balance of the week.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. PHILLIPS offered the following resolution which was twice read and laid over under the rules:

Whereas, Boise Penrose, Senior United States Senator from Pennsylvania, in a speech at a public banquet in Pittsburgh, declared that should the President of the United States again appear upon the floor of the Senate, and he, Penrose, was there, he would interrogate the President and drive him from the floor of the Senate and make it impossible for him to return, and

Whereas, The presence of the President in the Senate was required by the grave crisis which is confronting this Nation, and he was there to consult with the Senators concerning this crisis, and

Whereas, There may be a mistaken impression among a great many people that Senator Penrose in thus speaking of the President of the United States, voiced the sentiment of the people of Pennsylvania, who have ever stood loyally by the President in all times of crisis from the earliest history of the Nation, when, as a matter of fact, Senator Penrose in his utterances represented no one, but himself, and

Whereas, Both the Senate and House of Representatives have gone on record as endorsing the President in this crisis and pledging him the fullest support of this imperial Commonwealth.

Be it Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, representing the sentiment of the entire eight million people of this State, repudiate the denunciation and proposed intimidation of the President by Senator Penrose;

And be it Further Resolved, That Senator Penrose is hereby requested to repudiate his remarks at the Pittsburgh banquet and to officially represent the people of this State as they desire to be represented by standing loyally by the President in this crisis instead of assuming the attitude of a heckler;

And, be it Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President of the United States, the President of the Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and to Senator Penrose.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on Third Reading of House Bill No. 95, as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the present directors (chosen in conformity to the act to which this is a supplement) be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon such site as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and shall certify their proceedings to the clerk of the quarter sessions of said county which proceedings shall be filed in his office and shall have the same effect as if the same were or had been so determined by the trustees first appointed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the directors of the poor and of the House of Employment for the County of York whenever in the opinion of a majority of said directors the lands buildings and furnishings for maintaining the poor in said County of York are inadequate unsuitable and unsafe for the proper maintaining of the poor within the said County of York be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon and to purchase such land or lands as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and suitable for the purpose of the erection of proper adequate and secure buildings for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York The said directors or a majority of them are authorized to have prepared plans and specifications for any building or buildings to be erected upon lands so purchased by the said directors and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected upon the said lands according to the said plans and specifications

Provided however That before the said directors shall purchase any lands or let any contract for the erection of said buildings according to plans and specifications adopted they shall advertise in two or more newspapers of general circulation in the County of York for bids or offers of lands for said purposes and for bids for the erection of buildings on said lands according to the said plans and specifications and such purchase of lands and the letting of the contract or contracts for the erection of said buildings shall first be approved by the Court of Quarter Sessions of the County of York.

To carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners of York county shall have the power and it shall be their duty to procure a loan at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum on estimates furnished by the said directors sufficient to furnish the necessary funds to purchase said lands pay for said plans and specifications to erect said buildings and furnish the same in connection with any sum or sums of money in the hands or control of the said directors of the poor and any sum of money realized from the sale of the site and buildings of the present almshouse together with all moneys now rightfully belonging to the poor board by whomever the same may be held or deposited which moneys shall be turned over to the use of the county commissioners for such purposes only

The directors of the poor with the approval of the court of quarter sessions of the County of York are authorized to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse and apply the proceeds of such sale as herein above directed

The said commissioners shall have the power and it shall be their duty to assess levy and collect together with other county rates and levies and on the same subjects of taxation an amount sufficient to gradually reduce the said loan and entirely cancel the same within thirty years Whenever the said buildings shall be finished and completed the said directors of the poor shall certify their proceedings to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of said York county whereupon the said court shall appoint three competent and disinterested persons viewers to view and thoroughly examine said buildings and report to the court whether the said contract or contracts have been faithfully and fully performed and completed and until such report be so made final payment on said contract or contracts shall not be made and paid The said viewers shall be entitled to five dollars per day for each day necessarily engaged in the performance of their duties

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SPANGLER. This bill is an act special to York County, known as the Almshouse Act. As I have stated, it relates only to York County. The purpose of this bill is to empower the Poor Board of York County to purchase real estate and erect an almshouse that is absolutely an imperative necessity for the County of York.

At the present time the County of York has no mode of procedure whereby they can erect a badly needed almshouse, and in order to straighten out all the difficulties that have been encountered by the Poor Board and by the court, it was necessary that a special act be passed for York County in order that new buildings and a new site might be procured, and in order that conditions that are deplorable in York County as concerns the poor district might be corrected. I can see no reason why anybody should oppose this bill. It has been advertised as provided by law and is regular in its every provision. I therefore ask the House to give it their support.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from York, (Mr. Spangler).

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from York, Mr. Spangler, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. SPANGLER. I will, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the gentleman from York why the Commissioners of York County do not have the power to build this almshouse the same as they take care of other public institutions of the kind?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I would say to the gentleman that under our Act of 1805 the Commissioners have no authority to build an almshouse in York County. The County Commissioners took it up before our courts in May of last year and the courts decided that the County, so far as administrative powers were concerned, was absolutely powerless to act.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman further.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from York (Mr. Spangler) permit himself to be further interrogated?

Mr. SPANGLER. I will, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I would have him explain why the Poor Directors should be delegated this power and not the County Commissioners.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, in order that I may answer the gentleman I will just read a statement of what the County of York must have in the way of legislation in order to do the things that this bill provides.

"In the first place, it must be borne in mind that the County is about to sell the site and buildings of the old almshouse; second, that the county court now has deposited in its name $110,000 belonging to the Poor District of York County; third, a new site must be properly selected; fourth, buildings adequate and adapted to the needs of York County must be constructed; fifth, the construction of a new almshouse in York County is imperative and should be performed at once; sixth, a site and building should be constructed in a manner that will meet the special needs of York County and in a manner most economical to the tax payers of said county."

Now, Mr. Speaker, under the Act of 1879—I will read the provisions of that Act; It provides that "The commissioners of each county are authorized and empowered to select and purchase real estate within said district and erect thereon buildings." That is the provision of the Act of 1879. As I stated before, under the Act of 1879 the County of York, at the present time, cannot act; it has no power to act; the County Commissioners have no power to act; and, further, I will say to the gentleman that it is our desire—and we have so set forth in this bill, that every stage, every step in the proceedings for the procurement of land and for the erection of buildings is under the supervision and guidance of our Court of Quarter Sessions. There cannot be a single act performed; there cannot be a single foot of ground purchased; there cannot be a single stick put into the buildings of our almshouse until the Court of Quarter Sessions of York County shall have approved; and I believe that when the almshouse is to be constructed it should be constructed in such a way that it will preclude all graft, will preclude all extravagance and will give to the county that which is imperatively needed, an almshouse that is suitable to all the needs of the county at the least expense to the county and to the tax payers of the county.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman has not answered my question.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, what is the gentleman's question?

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I asked the gentleman why the Poor Directors and not the Commissioners were given this power. If it is possible to legislate this power into the hands of the Poor Directors, why haven't the Commissioners been given this power; why does not this act provide they shall build this almshouse and why select the Poor Board?

Mr. SPANGLER. We intend the Poor Board shall build the almshouse because we have surrounded the proceeding, the purchase of land, and the erection of buildings with such restraints, with such barriers by reason of submitting the question for the approval of the court in a way that we cannot have the Commissioners do it under the Act of 1879. In further answer to the gentleman from York I wish to call his attention to this further fact; That is the question relating to the sale of our present properties. We have also the question relating to the appropriation and expenditure of $110,000 that is now in the hands of the court and which must be appropriated to the purchase of the new site and erection of new buildings. I will further say, in answer to the gentleman, that I have here considerable correspondence from the Department of Factory Inspection, from the Fire Marshal and from Mr. Bromley Wharton, General Agent for the Board of Public Charities, in which they have not only appealed to our courts but have appealed to the Attorney General for some relief whereby the hands of some administrative powers in York County could be untied in a way that would enable them to build our almshouse.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I insist that this power rightly belongs to the commissioners. They have built and do build another county building, a county institution. I understand there is a similar case in Lebanon County, where some years ago there was a particular act and that act was set aside. Now an almshouse was built there or some new building was built by the commissioners more or less parallel with this. I cannot understand why

the gentleman has selected the Poor Board to put up this building. It seems to me inconsistent. It borders on the ridiculous. I cannot see why the County Commissioners should not put up this building which was given the power to do building and purchase ground, and who have built the Court House of the county and the York Jail and I cannot understand why they should have selected the Poor Board to erect this building. I am not interested; I don't care who builds this almshouse, but it is my opinion that the gentleman, my colleague, has drawn the bill wrongly. He should have given the power of building this almshouse to the commissioners. I believe that if the gentlemen will study the bill, and it only seems the right thing to me to do, they will understand very well that that is where the power belongs. Is it not silly to give the power to the Directors of the Poor to build this almshouse? Think it over. I think it is ridiculous. It seems to me the most peculiar act I have ever read. I was startled and amazed when it was presented in this House when I had it read to me, this thing of giving power to build an institution, an almshouse, in York County by the Poor Directors. It has never been done in the State and I most certainly will not vote for this bill. I am not interested in any factional spirit or quarrel, as I don't care who builds it, but I don't want to go back home to York and say that I voted for the bill, and I will refuse to vote for it, and I believe that the bill should be taken out of the hands of the Poor Board and placed into the hands of the Commissioners and I refuse to vote for the bill in order to give us an opportunity to place it in the hands of the Commissioners instead of the Poor Directors, as it could have just as easily been drawn, as an act, in that way, giving the County Commissioners the same authority.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I believe that if the gentleman were not blinded with the fact that the interests of York County are paramount to the interests of the Prothonotary's Office in York County, or if the gentleman had read this bill carefully and knew its purport, or if the gentleman were familiar with the Act of 1879, with respect to York County needs, he would not stand up here and criticise this measure, if he had any other purpose than the amelioration of a condition that has become intolerable in York County. The measure, as I have it here, has been submitted to the Courts of York County. It has been gone over most carefully by Judge Warner, and the Judge has suggested a number of amendments to the bill which have been added. In respect to why this authority has been given to the Poor Board instead of the County Commissioners, permit me to say that there are a number of counties where this has been done with York County—I might cite Berks County and Schuylkill County where the Poor Board is the administrative Board in relation to the county's poor affairs. They have charge of the administration, the Poor Board of York County, under this special act. We, in York County, have been operating under this special act known as the Poor Act, since 1805. The question came up in York County for the erection of an almshouse and it is a necessity, and to show you how imperative it is, I will read you a letter from Mr. Wilson, the Assistant Agent of the Charity Board, and this letter is a duplicate of a dozen other letters that I have in my possession here: "Conditions are worse than recorded in my previous reports. The roof of the main building is leaking badly, each succeeding rain makes habitation more miserable, a leaky steam boiler, previously reported, has been repaired. Mr. Quinn of the Labor and Industry Commission conferred with the Poor Directors relative to a new almshouse."

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from York, Mr. Spangler, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, I object to the gentleman's remarks on the ground that he is not coming anywheres near answering my question.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from York cannot ask permission to interrogate the gentleman and then make a speech.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I refuse to be further interrogated.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from York, Mr. Lanius, with the permission of the gentleman, may interrogate the gentleman.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, it is with great reluctance, gentlemen, that I detain the House with so full an explanation of the horrible conditions that exist in York County. I would not think of detaining the House for the discussion of this matter unless I felt that the passage of this bill was absolutely imperative. The Fire Marshal has threatened that in the event that something is not immediately done he would take the inmates out of the present building. Suppose we go back to the Act of 1879, the Poor Act of that date. Before we could construct a building and purchase real estate it would be necessary for us to submit the question either at a specia lelection to the people of York County or it would be necessary to submit it to the people at the next November election to vote and have the people determine whether or not they want a Poor House or whether they don't. All parties who have any interest in this situation demand and have demanded for the last three years that York County build an almshouse immediately. If we go back to the Act of 1879 we have no protection so far as the expenditure of this money is concerned, and if the gentleman who so glibly asks whether this is so and so or why the bill reads so and so, if he had studied that act he would find that we have no protection, no safeguards for the expenditure of our moneys nor would not be in a position to use up one hundred and ten thousand dollars which we have in bank, for the purpose to which it belongs. Further than that so far as by a saving of the Act of 1879, there would not be a saving to the County of York, if the County Commissioners were made the constructors, but the County Commissioners would be able to draw two salaries: one as a Poor Director and the other the regular salary of County Commissioner. There is every reason why this special act should be passed, giving to us the legislation that we so imperatively need and depart from the tangled condition that this general act would remedy. Therefore, I feel confident that you gentlemen will have full faith in what I say when I say that this bill is intended merely and only to ameliorate and remedy this intolerable condition and I hope that you will vote to have this bill passed in the name of the people of York County.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, am I entitled to a further interrogation?

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from York, Mr. Spangler, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, in this bill the gentleman asks that the County Commissioners be made responsible for the building of this almshouse inasmuch as they shall pay the taxes necessary to pay for this building. I ask him whether this would be just?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will ask a categorial question, I will be glad to answer it. I will say to the gentleman that the County Commissioners are expected to supply the difference between the money realized for the present site and buildings and the one hundred and ten thousand dollars that is now deposited in the name of the County in bank, and whether it would take any additional sum whether the County Commissioners would have to raise any additional sum, the County Commissioners are protected under the Act of 1879 to put up this building in any way they see fit, which they cannot do unless we first repeal that special act and it may require five or six hundred thousand dollars additional.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, does the gentleman understand me to say that I oppose the building of this almshouse?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I think the gentleman is actuated by political motives in opposing the method of the construction of this building. I believe this to be the case.

Mr. LANIUS. I thank the gentleman for his kindness.

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I want to say in behalf of York County that we not only want the almshouse, but we positively and absolutely need it. The old one has been condemned time and time again by the State authorities. It is one of those dingy buildings in which not any one can find clear sunlight, and what really should be there. I want to stand by and voice the sentiments of my colleague in favor of the act as presented.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—148.

Albee,	Drinkhouse,	Michel,	Shunk,
Aron,	Dunn,	Miller, A. D.,	Siggins,
Aston,	Eby,	Miller, Allen,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Ehrhardt,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Fowler,	Milliron,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Milner,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Fretz,	Mitchell,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Morgan, T.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Glass,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Benninger,	Golder,	Murdoch,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Neary,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Perry,	Stern,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Horne,	Powell,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Campbell, T.,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vodges,
Conner,	Lauler,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Cook,	Lewis,	Rich,	Walker,
Corbin,	Lohr,	Richards,	Wallace,
Cox,	Mangan,	Ringler,	Wells,
Crosby,	Marvin,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Cummins,	Maurer,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Curry,	McArdle,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Dale,	McCaig,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Davis, D. F.,	McCollough,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dawson,	McCurdy,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Dean,	McKay,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Dell,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Baldwin,
Dewey,	McNichol,	Scott,	Speaker.
Dithrich,	McPeake,	Shattuck,	
Drake,	McVicar,	Showalter,	

NAYS—11.

Black,	Erdman,	Laucks,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Canon,	Flynn,	Leary,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Lanius,	Luppert,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 61, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year, ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts, page thirty-three), providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 134, entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 218, entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 69, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to amend Section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act" to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to make a statement to the House at this time. A member in the rear in the room has notified the Chair that the noise in the rear of the hall of the House is such that it is annoying to the members in the back part of the room, or the hall of the House. The Chair is not conscious at this distance of a noise in the rear of the room, consequently the Chair again mentions this matter to the House that it may again consider my suggestion regarding Rule 39. If there is any gentleman who has any remarks to make on the Chair's suggestion, the Chair would be glad to hear from him.

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, it strikes me that the Chair should call the Sergeant and his assistants to the bar of the House and further instruct them.

The SPEAKER. The Chair tried to impress the House with the fact that it does not at this distance have a knowledge of the noise in the rear of the House of a character that is disturbing to the members in the rear of the room. I might say for the benefit of the Sergeants-at-Arms, which I presume they already know, that it is their duty to keep order in every part of the Hall of the House. I would say to the Sergeants-at-Arms at this time that it is their duty to see that there is no conversation of any character carried on in the House by any other persons than members of the House, either on the side lines or in the rear of the hall of the House.

The Chair thinks that it would be wise for the House to adjourn until four or five P. M., whatever the wish of the House may be, so that the Committees can again report bills.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 12.05 P. M.) the House adjourned until this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, February 7, 1917.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 4 o'clock P. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 298.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, at Overbrook, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 299.

An Act making an appropriation to the Women's Homeopathic Association, of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 300.

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. STEEDLE. House Bill No. 301.

An Act making an appropriation to the De Paul Institute, of Mount Lebanon Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McPEAKE. House Bill No. 302.

An Act making an appropriation to the Canonsburg General Hospital Association, at Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 303.

An Act making an appropriation to the Charleroi-Monessen Hospital, Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 304.

An Act making an appropriation to the Messiah Orphanage, of Monaghan Township, York County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VODGES. House Bill No. 305.

An Act making an appropriation to the American Oncologic Hospital at Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HIBSHMAN. House Bill No. 306.

An Act making an appropriation to the agricultural experiment station of the Pennsylvania State College to maintain substation for the purpose of making experiments in the improvement, culture, curing, and preparation of tobacco and providing for the publication of the report thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GOLDER. House Bill No. 307.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of Temple University, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 308.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by any animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 309.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Historical Commission for certain purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MANGAN. House Bill No. 310.

An Act making an appropriation to the Providence Mission and Rescue Home, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 311.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DONNELEY. House Bill No. 312.

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, four, five, six and seven, of Article VII, of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith," by providing for motor ambulances and requiring them to be furnished, free of charge, with registration certificates and number tags.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. PICKERING. House Bill No. 313.

An Act to amend an act, approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and Deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over the same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for the purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township and county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of costs of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of act inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 314.

An Act making an appropriation to the Brownsville General Hospital, of Brownsville, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PALMER. House Bill No. 315.

An Act to further amend section thirteen of an act, approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 1001), entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 316.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Indiana.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LEE SMITH. House Bill No. 317.

An Act to amend section two of article eight, and section one of article nine of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 568), entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 318.

An Act making an appropriation to the Downingtown Industrial and Agricultural School, Downingtown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CONRAD G. MILLER. House Bill No. 319.

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen, to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors, and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture, and all other actual and necessary expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEE SMITH. House Bill No. 320.

An Act to amend section four of the act, approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 1123), entitled "An Act establishing in each county a board of viewers; prescribing their duties; providing for their appointment as viewers, road juries, juries of view, and commissioners to view land; and providing for the charges upon the respective counties in the matter of salaries, costs, and expenses thereof," as amended; by providing for the compensation of viewers in counties having more than one hundred and fifty thousand and less than one million inhabitants.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. LEE SMITH. House Bill No. 321.

An Act to amend section one of article eight of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith," approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 322.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the counties of Armstrong and Indiana.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 323.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Indiana.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SIMPSON. House Bill No. 324.

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves, to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH. House Bill No. 325.

An Act authorizing and requiring employers to deduct from the wages of employes, after notice, sums sufficient to pay delinquent township taxes on occupations, owing by such employes, and to pay over the same.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 340.

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital of the Northern Anthracite Coal Region of Pennsylvania, at Scranton, Pa.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 341.

An Act requiring the inspection of all stationary steam engines and steam boilers in cities of the first class by the Bureau of Steam Engine and Boiler Inspection in said cities, and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BENNETT. House Bill No. 342.

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 343.

An Act to abolish the use of running boards on street railway cars.

Referred to the Committee on Electric Railways.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 344.

An Act providing that automobiles, when passing a standing street car from which a member of the crew has alighted, shall not pass the car on the side on which the member of crew is performing his duty.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 345.

An Act making an appropriation to the Beulah Anchorage, of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VODGES. House Bill No. 346.

An Act making an appropriation to the Friends' Home for Children, situate at four thousand and eleven Aspen Street, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VODGES. House Bill No. 347.

An Act making an appropriation to the Rush Hospital for Consumption and Allied Diseases of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FLYNN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 18 (House Bill No. 279), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive, judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the payment of bills incurred

and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

Mr. SCOTT, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 1 (House Bill No. 326), entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. WHITAKER in the Chair.

Mr. BALDWIN asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of a resolution, which was twice read as follows:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A COMMITTEE TO SUGGEST WAYS AND MEANS OF SECURING REVENUE FOR THE STATE.

Whereas, There has been no comprehensive revenue legislation enacted in Pennsylvania in the last sixteen years, and the amounts available for the public schools and public roads of the Commonwealth have not been increased in proportion to the increase in the general State revenue or the growth of the State in population and wealth, and there is now a great public demand for better and more efficient schools and for the improvement and better maintenance of the highways.

Therefore be it Resolved, (if the Senate concur) That a joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, to be known as The Committee on Revenue, be and the same is hereby created. Said Committee to consist of the Chairmen of the standing Committees of Finance, Public Roads and Highways, Appropriations and Education, on the part of the Senate, and of the Chairmen of the standing Committees of Ways and Means, Public Roads and Highways, Appropriations and Education on the part of the House of Representatives, with the President Pro Tem of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives members ex-officio.

The duty and purpose of the said Committee shall be to obtain full information of the needs of revenue for the ensuing two years, and the sources wherefrom increased revenue may be secured by just and equitable taxation, and to submit to both branches of the General Assembly their findings and suggestions so that the demands of the people for better public schools and public highways may be realized.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the resolution?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to explain to the House why I think we need a Committee of this character. It is well known to all of you that the Constitution does not provide for the Senate to have any voice in revenue legislation until after it has originated in the House. The consequence is that in the past all revenue legislation has originated, as required by the Constitution, in the House, and as it will have to in the future. In the operation of this law we find that the feeling and sentiment and the voice of the Senate are entirely silent in originating revenue legislation. As a consequence, after the House has given a great deal of time to the consideration of this subject through the Ways and Means Committee, the measures passed by the House go over to the Senate and there we find another body which has no knowledge in any way and no one connected with the proposition to explain the careful investigations that have been made in the matter by the House. If a committee of this character be created both bodies can then have within their bodies members who are fully acquainted with the subject as it has been carefully threshed out in the House, when the proposition comes over to the Senate. I think that a resolution of this charatcer will bring about revenue legislation that will fill the wants that are so apparent from the voice of the people; therefore I would ask the passage of this resolution.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Delaware.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman when that committee is to report.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, that subject I considered very carefully and I felt that we could have entire confidence in the character of the men that would deal with this subject to report it as quickly as they could so that we could take the matter up and proceed by legislation to provide according to their suggestions. I have no objections whatever to fixing a date but I really think that the men who will deal with the subject will appreciate the importance of acting as quickly and promptly as possible, otherwise it would be of no value to the legislature.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I desire to further interrogate the gentleman from Delaware.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Delaware permit himself to be further interrogated?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman, as an ex-officio member of this committee, if it is their purpose to report their findings to this legislature?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, absolutely; that is the whole thought. I think the resolution makes that very plain.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Delaware.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Delaware permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman this: Does this resolution mean that all revenue measures introduced in the House shall be referred to this Joint Committee?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I would say to the House that so far as legislation anticipated by bills introduced is concerned, this committee has no control whatever over it; they have no control over any legislation whatever. The resolution asks that this Committee make a careful investigation of the subject and submit that finding to the Ways and Means Committee of the House, out of which there will come to the floor of the House matters in which the House can have a full and careful consideration at their own disposal. It is not the intention in any way to ursurp any of the powers of the members of the Legislature. It would have no force whatever, but only have the power to suggest.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the adoption of the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for its concurrence.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 4.35 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, February 8, 1917.

The House met at 10:00 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep; we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts; we have offended against Thy holy laws; we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us; but Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who are willing to confess their faults and shortcomings; restore all of us to our penitence according to Thy promises declared unto mankind by Thy most holy Word. We beseech Thee to grant us true repentance and His Holy Spirit, that everything may please Thee which we now do, that the remainder of our lives hereafter may be pure and holy. Finally, we commend to Thy fatherly goodness all who may in any way be afflicted or distressed in mind, body or soul; relieve them, give them patience and a happy issue out of their afflictions; and this we beg for Thy dear sake. Great God. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Swartz, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. BURNETT. House Bill No. 348.

An Act to provide for the return by the State Treasurer to the several counties from which the same are received for their own use of three-fourths of certain taxes received or collected by county treasurers or other officers and paid into the State treasury.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 349.

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony in the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOYD. House Bill No. 350.

An Act making an appropriation to Charity Hospital, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SHATTUCK. House Bill No. 351.

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Aid Society and Home for the Aged, Meadville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 352.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. BOULTON. House Bill No. 353.

An Act making an appropriation to the Clearfield Hospital, Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The SPEAKER. If the House is satisfied—I know there are a number who are anxious to get away—we will omit the Second Reading, as we will not lose any time by it, and proceed to First Reading Bills.

The Chair hears no objection.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 162, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to further amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act approved the seventh day of February one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 175, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the collection revising indexing and proof-reading of the material contained in the pamphlet known as "The Game Fish and Forestry Laws" of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 223, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 32, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 90, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs"

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 54, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 279 (Senate Bill No. 18), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 326 (Senate Bill No. 1), entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 10.25 A. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, February 12, 1917, at 9.00 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, February 12, 1917.

The Senate met at 9.30 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our kind Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the great history of the United States, for the great men and women who helped to make up our historic life. We are specially grateful for that life that was so benevolent; the mind that was so broad, the heart so great and the life that was so honest in all of its details that in his memory we would resolve here to-night to perpetuate in our own lives so far as we possibly can all the best qualities that we can find in the life of our great Emancipator and great American Patriot and that we will so live as to cherish his memory by trying to be as valuable to our country as he was. These blessings we ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. WASBERS, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

MOTION TO PRINT THE PROCEEDINGS INCIDENT TO THE DEDICATION AND UNVEILING OF THE OAKLEY MURAL PAINTINGS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the proceedings incident to the dedication and unveiling of the Oakley mural paintings be printed in to-day's proceedings of the Legislative Journal.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, this being the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, and out of respect to his beloved memory, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. DeWITT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 10.10 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, February 13, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

UNVEILING CEREMONIES

OF THE

VIOLET OAKLEY MURAL PAINTINGS.

Senate Chamber, February 12, 1917, 8 O'Clock P. M.

The LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR (Hon. Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

INVOCATION.

The Chaplain of the Senate of Pennsylvania, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we are instructed to look unto Thee as the Author and Giver of every good and perfect gift. We are ready to acknowledge that all our talents come from Thee. It is a matter of pride with us that of the four most talented artists of this age three of them belong to the State of Pennsylvania. We are here this evening to feast our hungry eyes upon the creations of one of these most distinguished decorators. We thank Thee that by the inspired talent of our artist we have perpetuated for us historic characters and events with such realistic expression as to charm us into the deepest admiration, and we pray that upon our artist such a blessing may come that her hand with all its skill may never be able to overtake the vision of larger and better things that are yet to come. We ask in our Saviour's name, Amen.

The audience then united in the singing of "Pennsylvania" as follows:

"PENNSYLVANIA."

I.

Tho' we may go across the sea,
Far form Columbia's gates,
Our first allegiance is to thee,
Our own United States;
And while we name the land we love,
How gladly we shall tell,
The glory of the story of
The State we love so well.

Chorus:

Pennsylvania! Pennsylvania!
Pennsylvania, the Keystone State!
To thee we raise our song.
To thee our hearts belong.
Pennsylvania! Pennsylvania!
Pennsylvania, the Keystone State!

II.

'Twas by the silvery Delaware,
The Nation had its birth,
When North and South joined hands to dare
The strongest power of earth;
And loud from Independence Hall,
The Bell of Liberty
Proclaimed to all the world the fall,
Of foreign tyranny.

Chorus:

III.

The Union's safety on the sea,
Its wealth and power on land,
Oh, Pennsylvania, is of thee
Comes from thy lavish hand,
Along the Allegheny's tide
Thy heart of steel is won;
And from thy side the warships glide,
Thy coal shall drive them on.

Chorus:

IV.

From Valley Forge's ice and snow,
To Gettysburg's red field—
Tho' centuries may come and go,
And battle wounds are healed,—
None truer fought on land or sea,
None braver faced the guns,
To die for thee, Land of the Free,
Than Pennsylvania's Sons.

Chorus:

ADDRESS OF THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR McCLAIN: We are told that it was the custom of the Children of Israel to assemble on certain appointed days to sing their majestic National songs and recount the achievements of their great men. And for the same purpose have we assembled to-night, on this, the anniversary of the birth of the Great Emancipator. To express, in both oral word and pictorial presentation, the achievements of America's two greatest citizens, and of epochal events in the history of our Commonwealth.

Under the circumstances, it surely will not be inappropriate to say a word of that illustrious American,

"His life a benediction, falling like some 'Holy Psalm,' We know him now, as they did then, as Father Abraham.' "

With each succeeding year, among the American people, the birthday of Abraham Lincoln takes on a deeper significance. Calls forth a display of more intense appreciation. Truly was he a wonderful character. He thought straight. He talked straight. He fought straight. A man of the people. Ever the servant of the people. Never, even when clothed with tremendous power, did he essay the role of a Master. He appealed to the idealism of high and low alike. The aristocratic Lowell enthusiastically declared him "One of Plutarch's men." But measured by ethical standards, it was not Lincoln's great intellectual powers that made him resemble one of the heroic figures of Old.

The traits of his character that made for his greatness were his simplicity; his sincerity; his magnanimity for above the smallness of revenge; his justice; his patience; his rounded humanity; his inflexible integrity and his unqualified democracy.

The specific issues over which Lincoln strove have become history, but the ideals, by the light of which he wrought, yet remain and could well be applied to the present day and its needs.

Lincoln was a politician, in the broad interpretation of the term. He had a great ambition for a public career. He came to the leadership of his party by pursuing a course that was consistent with the rules of politics, without being inconsistent with the rules of right, and politicians of the present day could, if they would, study Lincoln's methods and learn that a man may be masterful in political planning without being base, without violating conscience, without even temporizing with wrong.

Lincoln could put more flesh on the skeleton of an idea, and use less words in doing it, than any public man in all our history. One of the greatest speeches ever made in the English language, excelled by none and equalled by few, if any, for brevity, simplicity and force, was the speech he made on the Battlefield of Gettysburg, portrayed by Miss Oakley's brush in the painting to my left, soon to be displayed, when his prophetic vision enabled him to predict that "This Nation under God should have a new birth of freedom, and government of the people, by the people, and for the people should not perish."

Misunderstood; misrepresented; sneered at; jeered at; reviled in life, the impartial Historian has come to rank him as one of the greatest men the world, in all its thousands of years of history, has produced. The children of those of the Southland who hated him, and the children of those of the North, who loved him, alike to-day revere his memory. And that race of our people who wear the burnished livery of the sun, worship his name in degree second only to that of the Saviour of Mankind.

Lincoln's example lives. Let us emulate it. The fruits of his noble deeds are ours. Let us gratefully enjoy them. The enduring brass may proclaim his worth. The faithful marble and the unfading canvas may preserve his image, but for all that, a united country is his monument. The equal rights of its citizens, his epitaph.

The people of Pennsylvania have a proud heritage in their Commonwealth's history. In Pennsylvania was first inspired that plan of national existence which the people of these United States so much cherish. The beauty and the force of Penn's character, had its influence in the other Colonies and attracted to his province their great-minded men, who in time improved upon Penn's Declaration of Equality, and amplified his rules of government into a constitution which secures to our hundred million of people to-day happiness and prosperity.

That Penn was a man of consummate ability is proved in all his public acts and speeches. Even his words in private conversation were so fitly spoken that they are "like apples of gold, set in pictures of silver."

Under the beneficent influence of Penn's institutions, the various races differing in religion, manners and language, were blended into one homogeneous mass.

With one consent, the wisest and most learned of all nations agree that, as a law giver, he was the greatest that ever founded a state in ancient or modern times.

Penn's "Holy Experiment" and Penn's Constitution of 1681 was two hundred twenty-five years ahead of the most advanced republics of to-day. Penn's plan of the union of the provinces then oparating under the English Crown, for mutual advantage, was the great germ which took root and blossomed in 1776, and ripened into full fruit in 1787, when the American Nation became a complete fact.

In Pennsylvania, more than in any other state of the Union, have originated principles, ideas and laws that have lifted us up and carried us forward as a nation. It was the arms of Pennsylvania's daughter, "Philadelphia," that cradled "the Infant of Livery." Pennsylvania was among the first to declare that no man should be denied the right to worship as his conscience dictated. It was Pennsylvania who first said that upon her soil there should be no favored classes; that no slaves' presence should dishonor labor. And that no man should be compelled to "doff" his cap to another, except through the courtesy of equals.

Pennsylvania made the Declaration of Independence possible and gave that immortal document nine of its signers. In the construction and adoption of the Federal Constitution, Pennsylvania was pre-eminent in its influence and in that Constitutional Convention, depicted in the painting to my right, which, in a few moments will to you be visualized, Pennsylvania had more seats than any other Colony and eight of Pennsylvania's sons answered to their names on its roll. I need not call to your attention, the battlefields of Brandywine and Germantown. The story of Paoli and its "red spot" is deeply impressed on your memory, and the tale of that winter at Valley Forge and the bloody footprints in its frozen fields, is familiar to every school child in the grammar grade.

Not only when Washington led the armies of the United Colonies, did Pennsylvania make sacrifices beyond any other Commonwealth. At no time in the history of our Nation has any sister Commonwealth exceeded Pennsylvania in the fullness of her contribution of men and money, to defend the principle of our government's integrity and history in this respect, will repeat itself, should the crisis now impending result in sanguinary strife.—"Lest We Forget."—in that internecine struggle which raged from '61 to '65, when tens of thousands of the very flower of America's manhood, perished in battle, it was on Pennsylvania's soil, its deciding contest was fought, when the wave of Rebellion surged at its highest and broke in bloody spray upon the granite rocks of Gettysburg, and Meade, Reynolds and Hancock, three Pennsylvania soldiers, made victory possible, and the disintegration of the Union impossible.

It is meet and proper that we should glorify alike our Country's deeds in war and its vocations in peace. We should preserve the memory of every great National event and every inspiring happening in our Commonwealth's history, with some monument or portrayal of enduring character, whether the same be of marble, of bronze, or with the painter's brush.

Twentieth century art with careful steps has pursued its way to a great development, yes, in some lines, to an illustrious triumph. To-day, mural decoration is no longer confined to cathedral, transept or basilica nave, but thrives and finds a place in our State and Municipal buildings; in our libraries, and under the roofs of private homes. But the Arts are worth nothing if they only please by Art. A picture is of no more value than a piece of furniture, if it only produces or procures satisfaction to the eye.

An historical picture to have intrinsic worth must not only have the likeness of the chief character in the scene depicted, but must have the environment in accurate detail. Historical painting inspires study of History; the spread of Historical knowledge and promotes patriotism. It stimulates in the hearts of the rising generation a de-

sire for knowledge of the problems that confronted their forefathers. It inspires study of that courage and wisdom in council; that valor in war and that patriotism which resulted in the establishment of a Government, the like of which the world has never before seen.

No story of fiction will excite wonderment in our children's minds, more than that of Washington and his colleagues. In their deeds, in their lives, the youth of our Nation, will find that inspiration; that determination; that spirit, which these days is called, "AMERICA FIRST," which, after all, is only that "SPIRIT OF '76," which fought battles, developed the country, conquered seemingly insurmountable obstacles and made possible the blessings which we all to-day enjoy. Though the eloquent lips of Washington addressing the Constitutional Convention are hushed, and though the hand that traced the immortal instrument that resulted from the deliberations of that Assembly, is motionless, yet the lofty spirit that conceived and maintained it, lives on, and must by the coming generation be upheld and through it, transmitted to a later posterity.

Therefore I say let examples of heroism and civic virtues, such as are portrayed in the scenes which I am about to formally unveil, be brought before the eyes of both young and old, to arouse in their hearts the passion of Love of Country.

I now uncover and publish to the people of Pennsylvania and to all others, whose footsteps may lead to this Senate hall, these portrayals on enduring canvas and in unfading colors of events that have made luminous Pennsylvania's chapter in the story of our National progress.

AMERICA.

The audience then united in the singing of "America."

INTRODUCTION OF THE GOVERNOR.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR McCLAIN: He needs no introduction, he speaks for himself and to-night as well, he speaks for the Commonwealth in whose name he will accept the treasures of art here unveiled. The Governor of Pennsylvania, Martin G. Brumbaugh.

ADDRESS OF THE GOVERNOR.

GOVERNOR BRUMBAUGH: Lieutenant-Governor McClain, Members of the Senate and House of Representatives, Ladies and Gentlemen: We meet to-night under conditions that are inspiriting. We are participating in an exercise of unusual significance. A great artist has placed upon enduring canvas a lofty conception of the dominant ideal that nestled in the soul of the great Founder of this colony—William Penn. It is my pleasant duty to accept these masterpieces for the Commonwealth. This I gladly do, and I take this occasion to thank Miss Oakley on behalf of our eight millions of people for the splendid work wrought and here displayed. It is an especial satisfaction to note that these great paintings are the product of a modest, capable, splendid Pennsylvania woman. She has done her part worthily and well. The creater is greater than the created. So the splendor of this achievement is not alone in the paintings we so much prize but in the transcendent genius of the woman in whose skillful spirit was born this great ideal of unity, for, at her request, I am asked to state that the general theme of the five paintings before you is the creation of and preservation of the Union, Penn's principles of government, his prophecy of peace. There seemed to be no suitable place on the walls of the chamber to inscribe this general legend and so I have announced it for the interpretation of the works of art before you. Historically this occasion is unusually significant. The Lieutenant Governor has already given point and interpretation to a part of the historical significance of a day that is sacred and secure in the hearts of the people of America forever. It is historical for another reason.

There passed to his reward in Holland on February 16, 1677, a noted philosopher, to whom is often applied the phrase, "The God intoxicated man." His name was Spinoza. His enduring memorial is his philosophy. His central teaching is that there is but one essence or unity in all the universe. That essence is God. He is essential unity. All things are but attributes or expressions of Himself. This Unity as essence expresses itself in two great attributes—thought and extension. Thus mind and matter, the world of the spiritual and the world of the material things, unite in God.

In the year of Spinoza's death William Penn was in Holland and up the Rhine carrying the gospel of the inner light, the essential unity of the human race, to the people who later came to this colony and aided in its development. It is likewise a fact that Penn was familiar with the teachings of Spinoza. His conception of spiritual unity found expression in the great Frame of Government for this colony. It is in complete harmony with the philosophy of this compatriot of Penn's mother. Penn believed in the unity of the spirit and opened the doors of his love and colony to all peoples.

No more tolerant or gracious government ever was promulgated than the government of Pennsylvania. To express adequately the animating purpose thereof was the task set for the artist. Miss Oakley with unity in her soul and with fine feeling and commanding skill has here given expression to this great philosophic ideal of government. The waters of life fresh and free flow from the throne of God. They animate and enshrine the majestic figure of unity and flow to all the races of men. It is an ideal interpretation of the loftiest conception of human government. The thought that thrilled Spinoza, that carried William Penn to this great country—is here vividly and adequately portrayed.

In the acceptance of these masterpieces we have added to the already valuable and unique collection of art products belonging to the people of Pennsylvania. I cannot allow the occasion to pass without urging this Assembly to initiate a procedure that will ultimately make the capital city a great art center. My suggestion is that an Art Commission of three be provided and that annually they be given authority and funds to purchase such artistic products of Pennsylvania genius as will in the aggregate assemble here for the generations to be the finest gallery of art in America.

If in addition to the notable works now formally accepted we shall make provision for continued additions we shall have rendered on this auspicious occasion a notable service and provided an enduring inspiration for the generations of Pennsylvanians who, please God, may in endless procession pass this way.

INTRODUCTION OF MISS OAKLEY.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR McCLAIN: I now present to you the artist, young in years but nation-wide in fame, whose brush has been the instrument for that historical expression exemplified in the work on these walls, which work typifies the highest grade of mural decorations, Miss Violet Oakley.

ADDRESS OF MISS OAKLEY.

"By so many streams my mind
Is filled with gladness, it giveth
Itself joy that it can bear it and
Yet not be rent!"

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"As cometh to the ear sweet harmony
From an organ cometh to my sight
The time that is in store for three."

—DANTE.

When at the beginning of the Balkan troubles in the Autumn of 1912 I was in London at work upon the Theme for the paintings in the Senate Chamber, a short distance from where we were staying at the very foot of the street—were gathered together—in St. James Palace the representatives of the nations—in their conference striving to avert by means of wisest diplomacy the threatened European conflagration. With striking force came to me the messages out of the past—which reached me as I searched: and lo! I came upon the "Ideal State" which was no vain dream but an actual historic, rock-like fact. That which so many say "can't be done" I found "hath already been."

I burned to build a great monument, not only as its memorial, but that it might live again—"For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down—that it will sprout again and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground yet through the scent of water it will bud and bring forth boughs like a plant."

The result is now before you—though— as yet, not in its entirety. Unity is its theme—the unity of all life—and this one-ness of the law of life is love.

Its activity is manifest in "The Creation and Preservation of the Union." Just what is signified by the word "Union" is for each one to discover. It is here indicated that this active principle of unity culminates in the coming of the city of God upon the earth where it is so sorely needed, so earnestly longed for. "And the desire of all nations shall come." Before I had known that this work was to done, in a pause when a former work was nearing completion, came this message: "Write the things which thou hast seen, the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;" then came the thought of "The City of God," and then followed the call to do this work.

The work in the Senate Chamber, as you know, was not originally to have been mine to do, but it was to have been that great painter's who laid down his life in the devoted service of the State as the lofty and most noble spirit of the works in the high dome. and the colossal Apotheosis of Pennsylvania, and the other stately panels in the House of Representatives forever attest.

Perhaps the burden laid upon him proved heavier than he could bear, after the accomplishment of a quite superhuman portion of the task. As there was no trace left of what he would have done here, not even a written outline, it became my duty to search for even the first faint gleam of a right and true theme, and thus to begin at the very beginning; trusting that, in the end, I might not be found wholly unworthy of so great a trust, and that it might have won from his lips a generous, kindly and fraternal "Well done!"

When asked to give some brief account of the development of the theme of the compositions, in order to thus describe the working out of the problem, I decided to read to you fragments of the notes, from the original note-books, somewhat in the order in which they came to me.

A profound wonder overwhelmed me as I learned more and more of the great, positive constructive principle informing the founder of Pennsylvania's first government. It can never be adequately described. much less understood by any negative statements as to what these early friends did not do. Such as: "They did not believe in fighting," "did not carry weapons," "refused to kill under any and all circumstances," "were not worldly," etc., etc.

We know that to-day no one could live and be thus wholly negative. It would have been just as impossible then. I found, instead, some of the positive things they did. some of the truths concerning "the light that was in them." It will be when spiritual light again floods the hearts of men as dazzingly that the great ones will appear who are to reconstruct this battered globe. Perhaps it may be shining now! Listen for a moment to the voice of George Fox:

> "Ye must come out of your "knowledge" into the feeling of an inward principle of Life, if ever ye be restored to the true UNITY with GOD, and to the true enjoyment of Him again."

It was a miracle that happened here in the seventeenth century, no less, no more. And the age of miracles is not over—"Men of little minds" have never understood "miracles," never believed them, never beheld them.

"And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision; for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them so that they fled to hide themselves—Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision."

CLARKSON'S LIFE OF PENN.

EXTRACTS FROM ORIGINAL NOTE-BOOKS.

"He has exhibited to the world the singular spectacle, and has shown the possibility of a nation maintaining it own internal policies amidst a mixture of persons of different nations and different civil and religious opinions, and of maintaining its foreign relations also, without the aid of a soldier or man in arms. The constable's staff was the only instrument of authority in Pennsylvania for the greater part of a century, and always while the government was in the hands of his own decendants, the Quakers; and never was the government, as it related to the governed, maintained with less internal disturbance, or more decorum and order; and as it related to foreigners. with more harmony; for, though he was situated among barbarous nations, never, during his administration was there a quarrel or a war."

FROM GEORGE BANCROFT'S HISTORY.

"Thus did Penn perfect his Government:
An Executive dependent for its support on the people:
All subordinate elective officers elected by the people:
The Judiciary dependent for its existence on the people:
All Legislation originating exclusively with the people:
No Forts:
No Armed Force:
No Militia:
No Established Church:
No Difference of Rank.

And a harbour open for the reception of all mankind of every nation, of children of every language and every creed. Could it be that an invisible power of reason would be able to order and restrain, to punish crime and protect property?

FROM "A QUAKER EXPERIMENT IN GOVERNMENT"

ISAAC SHARPLESS.

"Perhaps at no other time or place in this defective world could the trial have been better made, and one has to admit that the noble dream even when worked out by a man so practical, so resourceful, so skilful in adapting means to ends, of such an imposing personality as William Penn, was incapable of full accomplishment under any conditions likely to be then realized. All the actors in it were not pure and consecrated themselves, and nothing else could save it.

And yet it was not a failure. The world will return to it when times are riper. There will be another trial of the principles of a pure Democracy, with perfect civil and religious liberty, perfect justice to neighbors. never attacking, and without need or provision for armed defence, which will be permanently successful.

The Leven is working, and one by one men are being convinced of the right and expediency of some or all of its features. Nations are adopting them, and with every advance there is an approximation to the experiment of Penn.

As long as exact Justice prevailed Peace existed—and this is the lesson of Pennsylvania.

FROM WILLIAM PENN'S PREFACE TO THE FRAME OF THE GOVERNMENT AT THE PROVINCE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

"THE DIVINE RIGHT OF GOVERNMENT."

Government seems to me a part of Religion itself, a thing sacred in its institution and end, for if it does not remove the cause, it crushes the effects of evil, and is as such, though lower, yet an emanation of the same Divine Power that is both author and object of pure religion; the difference lying here, that the one is more free and mental, the other more corporeal and compulsive in its operations.

The frame and laws of this Government, and the ends of all Government, viz:

To support power in reverence with the people; and to secure the people from the abuse of power.

Wherefore, be it known that the paintings on these walls in the Senate Chamber are entitled in the following manner:

"The Creation and Preservation of the Union."

"William Penn's Principles of Government and his Prophecy of Peace."

"Government is the means of Justice as Justice is the means of Peace."

Wm. Penn.

TITLES OF THE PAINTINGS.

1. The protest of the Friends against carnal warfare. The story of the Latch-string.

2. The protest of the Friends against human slavery.

3. Troops of the Revolution. (Philadelphia, 1777.)

4. The Constitutional Convention and the creation of the true Union—Philadelphia, May, 1787.

"Let us raise a standard to which the wise and honest can repair—the event is in the Hand of God."

Washington.

5. Troops of the Civil War—Camp Curtin—Harrisburg—1861.

6. Dedication of the living to the Preservation of Unity.

Preservation of Unity—
Gettysburg—November, 1863.

"It is for us the living rather to be dedicated—to the Unfinished Work."—Lincoln.

7. The Armies of the Earth.

"The Kingdom of Unity suffereth Violence and the violent would take it by storm."

"They shall look upon ME whom they have pierced"

"As a dream of a night vision

So shall the multitude of all the Nations be that fight."—Isaiah.

8. The Slaves of the Earth.

"They did set over them, taskmasters to afflict them with burdens—but the more they afflicted them the more they multiplied and grew."

I have seen the affliction of MY People and have heard their cry—and I will redeem them with a Stretched out Arm and with Great Judgments."

—Exodus.

9. Supreme Manifestation of Enlightment in International Unity—Prophecy of William Penn.

"He carried me away to a great and High Mountain, and shewed me that GREAT CITY. And he shewed me a pure River of Water of Life clear as crystal proceedings out of the Throne.

And the Kings of the Earth do bring their Glory and Honour into it . . . .

In the midst of the street of it and on either side of the River was there the Tree of Life. . . . .

And the leaves of the Tree were for the HEALING of the NATIONS.—Revelation.

After the recent re-reading and study of these notes, the plan of Penn for a Parliament of the Nations, the concrete achievement of the Constitutional Convention, the enlightening propaganda of Hamilton in the papers composing the volume of "The Federalist"—I listened with the greatest interest and closest attention to that most delightful advocate of absolute Federalism, our former President, Mr. Taft, at the banquet in Philadelphia last Tuesday evening. Oh, the sanity, balance, clearness and completeness of his unanswerable argument for intelligence and unity. It was said that evening that the arguments against the federation of the States had been stronger than all the arguments raised now against the idea of the deferation of the world.

Ah! how petty—how small—seem the men who Opposed the great idea then—compared with the Mental and Spiritual giants who gloriously stood for it and achieved true Victory.

and here let me read a portion of

LETTER TO CONGRESS.

In Convention, September 17th, 1787.

Sir: We have now the honor to submit to the consideration of the United States in Congress assembled, that Constitution which has appeared to us the most advisable.

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It is obviously impracticable in the Federal Government of these States to secure all rights of Independent Sovereignty to each, and yet provide for the interest and safety of all. Individuals entering into society must give up a share of liberty to preserve the rest. It is at all times difficult to draw with precision the line between these rights which must be surrendered and those which may be reserved.

In all our deliberation on this subject we kept steadily in our view, that which appears to us the greatest interest of every true American, the consolidation of our Union, in which is involved our prosperity, felicity, safety, perhaps our national existence. This important consideration, seriously and deeply impressed on our minds, led each State in the Convention to be less rigid on points of inferior magnitude, than might have been otherwise expected; and thus the Constitution, which we now present, is the result of a spirit of amity, and of that mutual deference and concession which the peculiarity of our political situation rendered indispensable.

That it will meet the full and entire approbation of every State is not perhaps to be expected; but each will doubtless consider that had her interest alone been consulted, the consequences might have been particularly disagreeable or injurious to others; that it is liable to as few exceptions as could reasonably have been expected we hope and believe; that it may promote the lasting welfare of that country so dear to us all, and secure her freedom and happiness is our most ardent wish.

With great respect, we have the honor to be, Sir,
Your Excellency's most obedient and humble servants,

G. WASHINGTON, President.

By unanimous order of the Convention, His Excellecy, The President of Congress.

Is not the time almost ripe—the bleeding world almost ready for another "Holy Experiment"? a Trial of Unity?

I invoke the spirit of Penn—of Washington—of Hamilton—of Franklin—and of our "Father Abraham."

Of Alexander Hamilton it has been written:

FROM PENN'S PARLIAMENT.

"He prevailed upon his fellow country men to make a Trial of Union—and by the audacity of his procedure he filled a written charter with the spirit of life."

"They compassed the Camp of the Saints—and the Beloved City."

"But though Gog and Magog shall gather themselves together to lay waste the City of God—yet the Lord hath determined their destruction—and he will bring it to pass."—Wm. Penn.

Could one but compel the world to perceive not only the abstract desirability of Unity—but her great beauty! the eternally patient unhurried beauty of our lady of unity, our blue lady of the water of life—as she is in truth! Oh—if one only could! "The world would listen then as I am listening now."

She is the source—the fountain of all the blue in the universe. I want you to perceive the borders of her garments—the trailing of her veils whenever you look upon the sapphire of the sea; the azure of the open sky—by day or by night; to see her in drifting mists and in the clouds; when you hear the sound of rushing water she is there; her voice is in the murmuring of the ice-floe. She is the whiteness of dazzling snow; the showers upon the grass; the blue of all mountains and hills; she is in the cup of cold water; she washes humanity clean;—she is all purity and all life; "Her price is above rubies" for she is the wisdom of Love.

AN ESSAY TOWARDS THE PRESENT AND FUTURE PEACE OF EUROPE BY WM. PENN—FIRST PUBLISHED 1693-94.

To the Reader:

I have undertaken a subject that I am very sensible, requires one of more sufficiency than I am master of to treat it as in truth it deserves, and the groaning State of Europe calls for, but since bunglers may stumble upon the game, as well as Masters, though it belongs to the skillful to hunt and catch it. I hope this Essay will not be charged upon me for a fault, if it appear to be neither chimercial nor injurious, and may provoke abler pens to improve and perform the design with better judgment and success. I will say no more in excuse of myself for this undertaking but that it is the fruit of my solicatous

thoughts for the Peace of Europe, and they must want Charity as much as the World needs quiet to be offended with me for so pacifick a proposal.

There is another manifest benefit—the Reputation of Christianity will in some degree be recovered in the Sight of Infidels; yet their Saviour has told them that he came to save and not to destroy the Lives of Men—To give and plant peace among men, and if in any sense he may be said to send war it is the Holy War indeed, for it is to send against the Devil and not the Persons of Men. Of all his titles this seems the most glorious as well as comfortable for us that he is the Prince of Peace. It is his Nation, his Office, his work and the end and excellent blessings of his coming, who is both the Maker and preserver of our Peace with God.

I heard the other night also a quotation from Victor Hugo. It was this:

"There is one thing stronger than Armies—and that is an Idea whose time has come."

INTRODUCTION OF MR. CLOTHIER.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR McCLAIN: Mine was the prologue of the evening. The epilogue will now be read by one of Pennsylvania's greatest philanthropists and most useful citizens, an enthusiastic, consistent, effective patron of art and of historic culture and historic celebration, Mr. Isaac H. Clothier.

ADDRESS OF MR. CLOTHIER.

Mr. CLOTHIER: Mr. Chairman, Miss Oakley, Your Excellency, and Senators:

It is with diffidence I rise to briefly address your honorable body, but I am impelled to do so for two reasons.

First—I am a member of the Society of Friends, the founders of our the State of Pennsylvania, of whom John Bright said many years ago: "I am a member of a small but somewhat remarkable religious organization, which has had an influence in the world quite disproportionate to its numbers."

Second—I am privileged, also, to be a member of a body larger than the Society of Friends, and including members of all religious denominations—the friends and admirers of our great Pennsylvania artist, Violet Oakley.

The Society of Friends has always been noted for its adherence to the principle of Peace. I am a believer—especially in these strenuous times—in "peace at any price" except the price of honor, which price, of course, we can never pay. I would paraphrase our President's words, and instead of "Peace without victory," I would inscribe on all our banners: "Peace with honor, but honor always."

Senators, this is a notable occasion. Your committee has been most happy in a choice of the day for the unveiling—the birthday of one of our two immortal Presidents.

It may not be generally known, but previous to their removal to Virginia, and afterward to Kentucky, the parents of Abraham Lincoln were residents of Pennsylvania, and members of the Society of Friends. The home of the Lincolns was at Oley, Berks County, one of the frontier meetings of Friends, and here the Lincolns intermarried with the Boones, the progenitors of the Kentucky pioneer, Daniel Boone.

The name of Abraham Lincoln may fitly be associated with that of William Penn and John Bright, as no more simple-minded man has lived, nor one more in sympathy with the simple testimonies of Friends.

I have been much interested of late in the two great reproductions of our sainted Lincoln—one in the painting we have now before us; the other the great bronze statue by George Grey Barnard, recently shown in New York previous to its removal to Cincinnati, its permanent home. I have not been able to make a proper comparison of the respective merits of these two great works of art in their respective lines, because, previous to this evening, I have seen the painting only in the contracted quarters of the studio, and, admiring both as I do, further examination and study are necessary before final judgment can be reached. The statue, which I understand occupied three years in the making, has the advantage of being a single piece of work, while this great painting of the Gettysburg Address is one of a series of historic reproductions. Except in the historic rendering I presume to the artist's eye there can be no proper comparison between the product of the painter's brush and that of the chisel of the sculptor.

I congratulate you, Gentlemen, on this notable unveiling to the eyes of the nation of these ornamental and historic mural decorations to your chamber, which are worthy of the great Capitol Building of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and I heartily congratulate the gifted artist who, after long study and strenuous labors, now exhibits to this favored company the most important portion of her great work, which, when completed, will have an educational and uplifting influence on all the people for generations to come.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR McCLAIN: We will now ring down the curtain on this delightful drama of history and art by singing that national anthem that makes every American heart thrill, the Star Spangled Banner.

The audience then united in the singing of the Star Spangled Banner.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, February 12, 1917.

The House met at 9.00 o'clock P. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Dear Lord and God of Nations, assist Thy poor servants most mercifully in prayer. Have compassion over all our infirmities. May it please Thee to make us strong in our love for humanity as well as our care and kindness for dumb animals. Dispose the way of Thy servants to more abundant faith, confiding hope and triumphant love. As we to-day commemorate the birthday of the immortal Lincoln, the saviour of our country, may we more than ever realize that this government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth. Grant Thy blessings unto all Thy servants. May we more than ever live the beautiful sentiment, "with malice toward none and charity toward all." Hear our prayer and save us. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the proceedings of Thursday, February 8, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the proceedings of Thursday, February 8, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Swartz, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. McNICHOL asked and received unanimous consent to offer the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

COMMEMORATING THE BIRTH OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Whereas, Our fellow-citizens throughout the United States are devoting to-day in commemoration of the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, who lived and died for the promotion of human rights and the perpetuation of a United Republic, and it is fitting that we of Pennsylvania should join in this general celebration.

Now therefore be it resolved, That the House of Representatives postpone all business until to-morrow, and devote this evening to the memory of the Martyred President.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 9.25 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, February 13, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we are indebted to Thee for all the blessings of life. Thy word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway, and in addition to this we have that inner monitor given to us to guide all the affairs of our lives. We pray Thee that it may become a pleasure for us to listen to this voice and always to seek to find out what it means. Some of our body are not feeling just as well as they might, and we pray that Thy blessing may be with them so that they may be speedily restored to health and strength again. We ask along with that for Thy blessing upon this entire body, and all the members of our families. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SASSAMAN, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. CROW asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Erie, Mr. Nason, for the week, on account of illness.

Mr. W. W. SMITH asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Martin, on account of illness.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 75, entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March, 1906 (P. L. 78), entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses, and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed, and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Mr. W. P. GRAFF, from the Committee on Finance, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 63, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 507), entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes, and, in cities co-extensive with counties, for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of the same; providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith; and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CRAIG read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 169, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Topographic and Geologic Survey Commission of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McCONNELL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 170, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the board of managers of the Pennsylvania Village for Feeble-Minded Women at Laurelton.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 171, entitled

A Supplement to the act of April 28, 1899, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," providing for the election of a township solicitor in townships of the first class, fixing his term of office, prescribing his duties and qualifications, and authorizing the board of township commissioners to fix his compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on New Counties and County Seats.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 172, entitled

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing, of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth; and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, 1915 (P. L. 644).

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 174, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of May, 1899 (P. L. 184), entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a mercantile license tax on venders of or dealers in goods, wares, and merchandise, and providing for the collection of said tax," together with the amendments thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. SONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 175, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Berwick Hospital, Berwick, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 176, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Bloomsburg Hospital, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons; and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities, its officers and agents.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. MILLER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 178, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Clearfield.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. WARNER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 179, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Monroe County Hospital, located at Stroudsburg, Monroe County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 180, entitled

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, to the family of the late Joseph McHugh of Weatherly, employed as a Game Warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 181, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Franklin City Hospital, Franklin, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 182, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Society of the Home for the Friendless Women and Children of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 183, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Harrisburg Hospital, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 184, entitled

An Act authorizing and regulating the giving of a set of colors, State and National, to certain veteran associations; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 185, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Wyoming Valley Homeopathic Hospital at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 186, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointment, and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 187, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Orthopaedic Hospital and Infirmary for Nervous Diseases.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 188, entitled

An Act authorizing executors, administrators, guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 189, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States, of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, saving institutions, and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings, and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes, approved the 13th day of May, A. D. 1915, and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products, or roofing felt, roofing materials and building papers, or products and by products of coal and asphalt."

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 192, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Carlisle Hospital, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 193, entitled

An Act to repeal the act approved the 17th day of April, 1913 (P. L. 85), entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions; and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines, and penalties received."

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Mr. CROW read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government, when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties, or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 195, entitled

An Act to protect all persons in their equal rights regardless of race, color or creed in places of public accommodation, entertainment or amusement and providing penalty for violation of the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 196, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the 13th day of June, A. D. 1911 (P. L. 903), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 197, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section six of Article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 198, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Montefiore Hospital Association of Western Pennsylvania, located at Pittsburgh.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 199, entitled

An Act prohibiting certain institutions receiving State aid from restricting pay patients in the selection of physicians and surgeons not connected with the institution.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 200, entitled

An Act to amend part of section forty-seven of Article six of "The Public Service Company Law," approved the 26th day of July, 1913.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease, electric light, heat and power plants and water works, plants and systems; providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid on the table.

REPORT FROM REPUBLICAN SLATE COMMITTEE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, as Chairman of the Republican Slate Committee, I beg leave to submit to the Senate report in compliance with resolution adopted by the Senate on February 6, 1917.

The report was read as follows:

Harrisburg, Pa., February 12, 1917.

To the President and Members of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with resolution adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, February 6, 1917, I beg leave to submit the following:

The names, home addresses and salary of all the officers and employes of the Senate, session of 1917, are as follows:

SECRETARY.

W. Harry Baker, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $6,000 per annum.

CHIEF CLERK.

Harmon M. Kephart, Connellsville, Fayette County, $5,000 per annum.

ASSISTANT CLERK.

William P. Gallagher, Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, $1,800 per session, $160 per month during interim.

LIBRARIAN.

Herman P. Miller, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $3,600 per annum.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

Alex. S. Cooper, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $1,800 per session, $175 per month during interim.

JOURNAL CLERK.

Arthur J. Lyons, Corry, Erie County, $1,800 per session.

DESK CLERK.

John McKeown, Philadelphia, $1,500 per session.

EXECUTIVE CLERK.

John M. Flynn, Philadelphia, $1,500 per session.

MESSAGE CLERK.

J. Hauer Reinoehl, Lebanon, $8.00 per diem.

TRANSCRIBING CLERKS.

F. Montgomery Parks, Oil City, Venango County, $7.00 per diem.
L. C. Griffiths, Slatington, Lehigh County, $7.00 per diem.
B. Frank Isenberg, Huntingdon, Huntingdon County, $7.00 per diem.
Bennett F. Kiehl, Greensburg, Westmoreland County, $7.00 per diem.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

James R. Bagshaw, Chester, Delaware County, $8.00 per diem.

CHIEF ASSISTANT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

William M. Weisman, Philadelphia, $7.00 per diem.

ASSISTANT SERGEANTS-AT-ARMS.

John J. Keffer, Philadelphia, $7.00 per diem.
Thomas J. Casey, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, $7.00 per diem.
James I. Brady, Brookville, Jefferson County, $7.00 per diem.
John C. Moore, Shamokin, Northumberland County, $7.00 per diem.
Benjamin P. Kerrick, Towanda, Bradford County, $7.00 per diem.
George V. Mullen, Monaca, Beaver County, $7.00 per diem.
Alfred Evans, Kane, McKean County, $7.00 per diem.
James W. Connolly, N. S., Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, $7.00 per diem.

CHIEF OFFICIAL REPORTER.

Frank E. Ziegler, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $15.00 per diem.

OFFICIAL REPORTERS.

John Ruth, Lebanon, Lebanon County, $12.00 per diem.
E. Ross Ranck, Lancaster, Lancaster County, $12.00 per diem.

EXPERT TYPEWRITERS.

Otto F. Messner, Williamstown, Dauphin County, $6.00 per diem.
Alfred Jenkins, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $6.00 per diem.
William T. Reynolds, Philadelphia, $6.00 per diem.

CLERKS, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Robert H. Denehey, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $7.00 per diem.
Charles F. Colbert, Sr., Alicia, Fayette County, $7.00 per diem.

PROOFREADERS, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Harry E. Earp, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $6.00 per diem.
Herman Dilsheimer, Philadelphia, $6.00 per diem.

COPYHOLDERS, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL.

Charles R. Shope, Halifax, Dauphin County, $4.00 per diem.
Aaron H. Goodman, Connellsville, Fayette County, $4.00 per diem.

POSTMASTER.

Harry L. Kelly, Butler, Butler County, $7.00 per diem.

MESSENGER.

David E. Kauffman, Rouzerville, Franklin County, $6.00 per diem.

SUPERINTENDENT OF FOLDING ROOM.

Henry A. Campfield, Meadville, Crawford County, $6.00 per diem.

PASTERS AND FOLDERS.

Glenn R. Hardy, McKeesport, Allegheny County, $6.00 per diem.
Joseph Long, Philadelphia. $6.00 per diem.
Earl Harland, Roxborough, Philadelphia, $6.00 per diem.
David G. Thomas, Mahanoy City, Schuylkill County, $6.00 per diem.

CLERK TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

M. Harvey Taylor, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $7.00 per diem.

STENOGRAPHER TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

Miss C. Mabelle Dobb, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $6.00 per diem.

STENOGRAPHER TO SECRETARY.

Miss Anna C. Carroll, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $7.00 per diem during session, $150 per month during interim.

STENOGRAPHER TO CHIEF CLERK.

Edgar Powell, Connellsville, Fayette County, $6.00 per diem.

STENOGRAPHERS TO LIBRARIAN.

Miss Helen E. Fox, Hummelstown, Dauphin County, $3.50 per diem during session, $75.00 per month during interim.

Miss Maybelle M. Wallower, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $3.50 per diem during session, $75.00 per month during interim.

CHAPLAIN.

Rev. Thomas W. Davis, Philadelphia, $7.00 per diem.

DAY WATCHMAN.

Edward Ambush, Philadelphia, $6.00 per diem during session, $100 per month during interim.

NIGHT WATCHMAN.

Charles Murphy, Philadelphia, $6.00 per diem during session, $100 per month during interim.

CLERKS TO COMMITTEES.

Joseph J. Skelton, Jr., Cynwyd, Montgomery County, $7.00 per diem.
William G. Dick, Hites, Allegheny County, $7.00 per diem.

STENOGRAPHERS.

Frank M. Forney, Somerset, Somerset County, $7.00 per diem.
A. S. Johns, Lancaster, Lancaster County, $7.00 per diem.
Saul Rubinow, Scranton, Lackawanna County, $7.00 per diem.
Charles C. Townsend, West Chester, Chester County, $7.00 per diem.
George W. Dunn, Philadelphia, $7.00 per diem.
W. A. Fisher, Homestead, Allegheny County, $7.00 per diem.
Robert C. Rowley, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, $7.00 per diem.
Charles A. Waldschmidt, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, $7.00 per diem.

CUSTODIAN OF COMMITTEE ROOMS.

Frederick Thompson, Bellefonte, Centre County, $6.00 per diem.

ELEVATOR OPERATOR.

Timothy J. Reardon, Coatesville, Chester County, $6.00 per diem during session, $100 per month during interim.

ASSISTANT ELEVATOR OPERATOR.

Bernard Samuel, Philadelphia, $6.00 per diem.

CUSTODIAN, WASH ROOM.

Anthony Frenie, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $6.00 per diem during session, $100 per month during interim.

CUSTODIAN, BASEMENT.

John E. Barr, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $6.00 per diem during session, $100 per month during interim.

CUSTODIAN, NEWSPAPERMEN'S ROOM.

J. Frank Hoover, Shamokin, Northumberland County, $6.00 per diem.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STORE ROOMS.

Edgar G. Hoffman, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $7.00 per diem during session, $150 per month during interim.

JANITORS.

Robert B. Thompson, Freeport, Armstrong County, $3.00 per diem.
William W. Baxter Philadelphia $3.00 per diem.
H. K. Berlin Philadelphia, $3.00 per diem.

PAGE TO PRESIDENT.

Karl A. Lisse, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $3.00 per diem.

PAGE TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

George A. Cranmer, Hummelstown, Dauphin County, $3.00 per diem.

CHIEF PAGE.

Edward C. Smith, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $3.00 per diem.

PAGES.

Flemon Kaufman, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Frederick W. Ramey, Black Lick, Indiana County, $2.00 per diem.
Arthur C. German, Lebanon, Lebanon County, $2.00 per diem.
W. Reynold Wilson, Shamokin, Northumberland County, $2.00 per diem.
Walter S. Young, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Oren Mikle, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Chester C. Bratten, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Edward K. Cranford, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
William J. Sullivan, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Linn Storey, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Julius Freedman, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Joseph R. Longenecker, Pleasant View, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
J. Calvin Frank, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, $2.00 per diem.
Leroy Shoemaker, Pottsville, Schuylkill County, $2.00 per diem.

In each instance the name of the officer or employe was suggested by the Senator from the district in which the officer or employe resides, with the exception of the Superintendent of Folding Room, Henry A. Campfield, of Meadville, Crawford County. This appointment was made upon the recommendation of the Republican County organiation of Crawford County and myself as Chairman of the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania.

I am advised by the Chief Clerk of the Senate that the officers and employes are all performing their duties with but very few exceptions, in which cases temporary leaves-of-absence have been granted on account of sickness or unavoidable absence, and temporary employes have been attending to the duties of such officers or employes.

I have examined the Contingent fund expense accounts of the Secretary, Chief Clerk and Librarian of the Senate and I do not find that any amount has been paid to any officers or employes for traveling or any other items of personal expense.

I have also examined the telephone charge slips from December 21st to February 7th and it is impossible to ascertain whether any personal calls have been made by the officers and employes for the reason that, under instructions from the Chief Clerk, the principal officers have been authorized to approve long distance calls for Senators and the principal officers and the telephone charge slips simply bear the name of the person who approved of the call and the party to whom the call was made.

W. E. CROW,
Chairman Republican Slate Committee of Senate.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND TO FURNISH LIST OF INSURANCE COMPANIES TO WHOM STATE COMPENSATION FUND INSURANCE HAS BEEN UNDERWRITTEN, WITH AMOUNTS OF INSURANCE.

Mr. McNICHOL offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Whereas, Reports are in circulation that the Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Fund by and with the consent of the Insurance Commissioner of Pennsylvania is underwriting its compensation insurance with the London Lloyds; and

Whereas, The London Lloyds, by reason of its unwillingness to comply with the laws of the several States of the Union, is not licensed to do business in any of the Commonwealths; and

Whereas, Statements have been made that the London Lloyds is unwilling to comply with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for which said reason it is not licensed to do business in the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, All the reputable casualty insurance companies doing business, or attempting to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are duly registered; and

Whereas, The said London Lloyds, instead of being a duly incorporated insurance company is merely a mutual insurance company, whose membership consists of approximately four hundred and twenty (420) members, none of whom are either citizens of the United States or residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, It is the sense of the General Assembly that the rights of individuals intended to be protected by compensation insurance should be so protected by carrying the insurance with reputable insurance companies licensed to do business within this Commonwealth;

Therefore, be it Resolved, By the Senate (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Insurance Commissioner and the Workmen's Compensation Fund be and they are hereby directed to furnish to the General Assembly on or before the 19th day of February, 1917, a full and complete list of all the Insurance Companies to whom the State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten, together with the amounts of insurance carried with each of the said Companies.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that rule 9, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be suspended, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORT OF COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF ANTHRACITE COAL IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate the following communication from the Commission to investigate the increase in the cost of anthracite coal in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF ANTHRACITE COAL IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Harrisburg, Pa., February 8, 1917.

Harmon M. Kephart, Chief Clerk, State Senate of Pennsylvania.

By dear Mr. Kephart: I am enclosing you herewith, for the purpose of filing the same formally in the Senate of the State of Pennsylvania, a copy of the Report of the Commission to Investigate the Increase in the Cost of Anthracite Coal in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to a joint resolution of June 15th, 1915, by which it was directed that a report should be made to the Governor and Legislature at a time set forth therein.

I have sent this day, by Adams Express, to the Attorney General of Pennsylvania copies for distribution to the members of the Senate, which he assured me would be distributed on Monday evening of next week.

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof in order that our records may be made to show that the report was made as provided by law.

Yours very truly,
Robert S. Gawthrop.

(For report see appendix.)

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A COMMITTEE TO SUGGEST WAYS AND MEANS OF SECURING REVENUE FOR THE STATE.

He also laid before the Senate extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, February 7, 1917.

Whereas, There has been no comprehensive revenue legislation enacted in Pennsylvania in the last sixteen years, and the amounts available for the public schools and public roads of the Commonwealth have not been increased in proportion to the increase in the general State revenue or the growth of the State in population and wealth, and there is now a great public demand for better and more efficient schools and for the improvement and better maintenance of the highways,

Therefore be it Resolved (If the Senate concur) That a joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, to be known as the Committee on Revenue, be and the same is hereby created. Said committee to consist of the Chairmen of the standing committees of Finance, Public Roads and Highways, Appropriations and Education, on the part of the Senate, and of the Chairmen of the standing committees of Ways and Means, Public Roads and Highways, Appropriations and Education on the part of the House of Representatives, with the President Pro Tem of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives members Ex-Officio.

The duty and purpose of the said committee shall be to obtain full information of the needs of revenue for the ensuing two years, and the sources wherefrom increased revenue may be secured by just and equitable taxation, and to submit to both branches of the General Assembly their findings and suggestions so that the demands of the people for better public schools and public highways may be realized.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee be suspended, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution,

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

RESOLUTION FROM THE LEGISLATURE OF CALIFORNIA RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF DEFINITE LINES OF DIVISION BETWEEN FEDERAL AND STATE TAXES.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the Senate and Assembly of the State of California, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3.

Adopted in Senate January 25, 1917.

CLIFTON E. BROOKES,
Secretary of the Senate.

Adopted in Assembly January 26, 1917.

L. O. BOOTHBY,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

This resolution was received by the Governor, this 26th day of January, A. D. 1917, at 11.45 o'clock A. M.

ALEXANDER McCABE,
Private Secretary of the Governor.

CHAPTER.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3, relative to the establishment of definite lines of division between federal and State taxes, and calling of a congress of the States to consider conflicting jurisdictions of the Federal and State Governments.

Whereas, In the exercise of its taxing power the Federal Government is embracing the sources of revenue heretofore not availed of by that government and

Whereas, There exists a line which separates the taxable units that equitably and logically may be left solely to State taxation from the units logically belonging to the broader Federal jurisdiction; and

Whereas, The establishment of some reasonable line of division giving to the States sole taxing authority below such line, and to the Federal Government sole taxing authority above such line, would cure much of the trouble existing because of conflict of jurisdiction between states; would relieve the tension between Federal and State Governments; would result in great economy in the levying and collection of taxes, and would relieve the growing dissatisfaction on the part of the taxpayer resulting from irritating and expensive duplication of accounts and reports and double taxation; now, therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and Assembly of the State of California, jointly, That we respectfully urge upon the Congress of the United States and the Legislature of the several States the need of holding a congress of the States to consider the subject of Federal and State sources of revenue, with the object of adopting and urging upon the Congress of the United States a definite policy in the segregation of State and Federal revenue; and we urge the Legislatures of other States to provide for attendance of representatives at such congress; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of the United States be invited to appoint a representative and that both houses of the Congress of the United States be invited to appoint representatives to attend such conference and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor of the State of California is hereby requested to urge the Governors of other States to recommend favorable action and to arrange for the time and place of such national meeting; and that the Governor of California be authorized to appoint delegates to represent the State of California at such conference; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forthwith transmitted to the Secretary of the Senate to the President of the Senate of the United States and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States; a copy hereof to each member of Congress from the State of

California, and a copy to the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of each of the State Legislatures in session at this time.

WM. D. STEPHENS,
President of the Senate.
C. C. YOUNG,
Speaker of the Assembly.

Attest:

FRANK C. JORDAN,
Secretary of State, by Frank H. Cory, Deputy.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 12, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

S. K. Bennett, Pittsburgh.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Miss Margaret M. Hartsock, Hollidaysburg.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Abraham L. Findley, Butler.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Miss Bessie McCloskey, Lock Haven.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Mrs. Esther J. Manier, Huntingdon.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Matteo Gerod, Scranton.
Gabriele Pugliano, Carbondale.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

F. C. Miller, Allentown.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Miss M. E. Bates, Philadelphia.
Wm. R. Dungan, Philadelphia.
John F. Glenn, Philadelphia.
George W. Harkins, Jr., Philadelphia.
S. Douglas Patrick, Philadelphia.
J. Herbert Schofield, Philadelphia.
Philoty A. Tenaglio, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 12, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

John N. Piatt, Pittsburgh, February 19, 1917.
E. B. Hartman, Jr., Pittsburgh, February 22, 1917.
Mrs. Frances V. Finegan, Pittsburgh, February 25, 1917.
William Augustine Golden, Pittsburgh, March 6, 1917.
Louis L. Banks, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
Miss Augusta A. Bean, Pittsburgh, March, 10, 1917.
Frank Bozic, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
George P. Fulton, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
John H. Mahoney, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
Wm. C. Walters, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
A. M. Clements, Wilmerding, March 10, 1917.
John T. Small, Wilmerding, March 10, 1917.
Miss Bessie M. Barkley, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Miss Elizabeth M. Dwyer, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
George Edwards, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Daniel E. McCollum, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Miss Nettie M. Martin, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Miss B. H. Rhea, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
William Rossi, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
W. H. Walter, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
George B. Bleming, Pittsburgh, March 19, 1917.
J. M. Corboy, Pittsburgh, March 19, 1917.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Miss Mary Josephine Rhodes, Kittanning, March 10, 1917.
J. B. Patterson, Freeport, March 17, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

K. Rudolf Wagner, Ambridge, March 11, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

J. Victor Grim, Reading, March 5, 1917.
Wm. H. Beaver, Reading, March 10, 1917.
Miss Marion H. Guss, Reading, March 10, 1917.
William McIlvain, Reading, March 13, 1917.
Miss Clara E. Young, Reading, March 13, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

S. B. Hare, Altoona, February 23, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Gershom M. Howell, Morrisville, March 10, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Jose Hetzline, Johnstown, March 9, 1917.
Ralph A. Byron, Johnstown, March 12, 1917.

CENTRE COUNTY.

Harry Keller, Bellefonte, February 22, 1917.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

E. M. Biddle, Jr., Carlisle, March 10, 1917.
C. M. Liggett, Carlisle, March 10, 1917.
E. M. Helm, New Cumberland, March 10, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

John H. Maloney, Harrisburg, February 22, 1917.
Robert F. Cook, Harrisburg, March 10, 1917.
E. Bruce Taylor, Harrisburg, March 10, 1917.
William J. Kennard, Middletown, March 17, 1917.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Andrew A. Clark, Chester, March 10, 1917.
J. Willard Hoopes, East Lansdowne, March 10, 1917.
Jno. M. Broomall, Media, March 11, 1917.

ELK COUNTY.

A. G. Geuder, St. Marys, March 18, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

L. E. Torry, Erie, February 25, 1917.
Francis F. McClintock, Union City, March 10, 1917.
C. Arthur Blass, Erie, March 11, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

A. Van Horn, Dawson, March 9, 1917.
Charles H. Cox, Masontown, March 10, 1917.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

L. Walter Garrett, Quincy Twp., March 11, 1917.
Arthur W. Gillan, Chambersburg, March 13, 1917.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Miss Alice E. Weber, Huntingdon, March 10, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

B. E. Fister, Scranton, March 10, 1917.
Walter H. Coursen, Scranton, March 11, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Ralph V. Alexander, Lancaster, February 27, 1917.
A. F. Shenck, Lancaster, March 3, 1917.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Hamilton A. Wilkinson, New Castle, March 7, 1917.
H. W. Phelps, Ellwood City, March 10, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Robert L. Stuart, Allentown, February 27, 1917.
Harry E. Truchses, Allentown, February 27, 1917.
Raymond W. Lentz, Allentown, March 10, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Henry C. Johnson, Luzerne, March 10, 1917.
Thomas A. McAndrews, Wilkes-Barre, March 10, 1917.
John Wilhelm, Hazleton, March 16, 1917.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Thos. H. Hammond, Williamsport, February 27, 1917.
Miss Helen B. Crist, Williamsport, March 10, 1917.
Dan D. Kline, Williamsport, March 10, 1917.
Calvin H. McCauley, Jr., Williamsport, March 16, 1917.

McKEAN COUNTY.

Chauncey W. Sharpe, Bradford, March 10, 1917.

MERCER COUNTY.

T. G. Petrini, Sharon, March 10, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Charles E. Bean, North Wales, March 10, 1917.
A. Clarence Emery, Norristown, March 10, 1917.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

W. Fred Jacobs, Danville, February 19, 1917.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Maurice Clemens, Easton, March 10, 1917.
Henry McKeen, Jr., Easton, March 10, 1917.
Jas. K. Worman, Bath, March 10, 1917.
Wilson E. Beck, Nazareth, March 11, 1917.
Harry L. Short, Easton, March 18, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Ralph L. Belford, Milton, March 10, 1917.
William J. Wiest, Shamokin, March 10, 1917.
Maurice B. Kramlich, Shamokin, March 13, 1917.

PERRY COUNTY.

John W. Mader, Duncannon, March 11, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles Gruber, Jr., Philadelphia, February 19, 1917.
Lorenzo Bozzelli, Philadelphia, February 25, 1917.
Harry T. Stoddart, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
J. Burns Allen, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Leo G. Bernheimer, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
H. Alleman Cannon, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
William H. Roth, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Edward J. Fisher, Philadelphia, February 28, 1917.
Miss Margaret S. Robinson, Philadelphia, March 3, 1917.
Henry J. Rebman, Philadelphia, March 4, 1917.
Francis C. Adler, Philadelphia, March 6, 1917.
W. R. Hummel, Philadelphia, March 6, 1917.
S. C. Kraus, Philadelphia, March 7, 1917.
Harvey J. Aungst, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
H. E. Blackman, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
J. Frederick Burkhart, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
John N. Costello, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Louis Freyling, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Louis M. Fridenberg, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
R. Frost, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Walter Gilbert, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Linwood L. Hallman, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Frederick Hermann, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
William C. Heyde, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Ray W. Kottka, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Andrew B. McGinnis, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Giocondo Marcolongo, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
William J. Martin, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
R. W. Montgomery, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Geo. A. Nahm, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Miss Jennie C. O'Neill, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
N. Evan Pedrick, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Walter H. Phillips, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Richard P. Powell, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Raymond M. Remick, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Joseph J. Rosenbluth, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
George Sterner, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Louis Strouse, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Harry E. Thomson, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Gustavus C. S. Welzel, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Charles R. Wentz, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
E. H. Williamson, Jr., Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Thomas Bluett, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Miss Mary L. Gates, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Thos. J. Gavaghan, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Elmer Miller, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Abraham Salot, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Jno. A. Fouser, Philadelphia, March 12, 1917.
O. Rodger Melling, Philadelphia, March 14, 1917.
Miss M. E. Harding, Philadelphia, March 16, 1917.
John McNeill, Philadelphia, March 16, 1917.
Francis E. Bucher, Philadelphia, March 17, 1917.
Julius A. Bacher, Philadelphia, March 18, 1917.
Mrs. Elizabeth J. Morton, Philadelphia, March 18, 1917.
Royal W. Urie, Philadelphia, March 20, 1917.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

John Goyne, Mahanoy City, March 10, 1917.
W. F. Rynkiewiez, Mahanoy City, March 12, 1917.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Mrs. Nelle Glessner, Somerset, March 10, 1917.
Clarence L. Shaver, Somerset, March 10, 1917.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

R. D. Kehrer, Eagles Mere, March 10, 1917.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Wm. E. Barnes, Hallstead, March 17, 1917.
C. M. Epes, Susquehanna, March 18, 1917.

TIOGA COUNTY.

James R. Butler, Westfield, March 10, 1917.

UNION COUNTY.

Mrs. Mary W. Bennett, Lewisburg, March 3, 1917.

VENANGO COUNTY.

Miss Agnes Whalen, Franklin, March 11, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

J. R. Curry, Finleyville, March 10, 1917.
L. V. Deloche, McDonald, March 10, 1917.
H. H. Williams, Monongahela City, March 10, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

F. B. Folk, Scottdale, March 10, 1917.
J. R. Hunter, Greenburg, March 10, 1917.
William T. Osborne, Latrobe, March 10, 1917.
E. C. Ramsey, Ligonier, March 10, 1917.
Tobias Berkowitz, Irwin, March 11, 1917.

WYOMING COUNTY.

Henry M. Lewis, Tunkhannock, March 19, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

Henry P. Kocher, Wrightsville, March 10, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 13, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

B. Ranky, Homestead, March 1, 1917.
H. E. Rutherford, Tarentum, March 10, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Franklin H. Strohm, Telford, March 10, 1917.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Miss Katie T. O'Brien, West Chester, March 10, 1917.
Miss Edith H. Russell, West Chester, March 10, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Leightty Steen, Belle Vernon, March 11, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Mrs. Ella A. Trumbauer, Coopersburg, March 10, 1917.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Anton Wolst, South Bethlehem, February 26, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Ben. T. Welch, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
James E. Hoffman, Jr., Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Miss Minnie B. Richardson, Charleroi, February 14, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 13, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

BUCKS COUNTY.

Alfred E. Firman, Northampton Township.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Miss Helen W. Smith, Easttown Township.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

John A. Hartman, Windber.

VENANGO COUNTY.

Mrs. Jessie M. Berger, Franklin.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Miss M. C. Davies, McDonald.
John N. Walker, Jefferson Township.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule, 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Magee,	Smith, W. W.,	
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows, and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE GENERAL GEORGE GORDON MEADE STATUE COMMISSION.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William J. Patterson, of Pittsburgh, to be a member of the General George Gordon Meade Statue Commission, to serve until lawfully determined or annulled, vice A. P. Kinsley, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Fred Newell, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Canton, County of Bradford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Ulysses Bird, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph Freeman, as a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Duryea, County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Michael Horn, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Justices of the Peace in and for the Borough of Conneautville, County of Crawford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918:

Dexter W. Spalding, vice H. E. Corey, resigned.
Harry L. Bail, vice A. B. Greenfield, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE ASYLUM FOR THE CHRONIC INSANE OF PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Trustees of the State Asylum for the Chronic Insane of Pennsylvania, South Mountain, Pa.

Joseph L. Lemberger, Lebanon, Pa., for the term of three years, to be computed from June 12, 1915.

E. E. Beidleman, Harrisburg, for the term of three years, to be computed from June 12, 1915.

J. Howell Cummings, Philadelphia, to serve until June 12, 1918, vice Thomas P. Merritt, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ASSURING THE PRESIDENT AND GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF LOYAL SUPPORT.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed a resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives assuring the President and Government of the United States of the loyal support and full co-operation of Pennsylvania in every national undertaking which may be necessary to protect and vindicate American rights, dignity and honor, wherever, or by whom they may be endangered.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 9, as follows:

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies

Whereas In and by the establishment of paid fire departments voluntary fire companies are superceded and as such their services as firemen dispensed with

And whereas Many companies in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have been incorporated either by the Legislature or by the courts under authority given by law

And whereas Some of the companies when such paid fire department is established may be desirous of continuing and maintaining their existence as corporations but for a different purpose than the object specified in their charter or act of incorporation whilst others are desirous of disbanding or dissolving and surrendering the powers vested in them by their charters or acts of incorporation and dividing amongst such of their members as may be entitled thereto whatever property or effects they may be seized possessed of or enjoy or the proceeds thereof

And whereas Doubts have arisen whether under any law usage or practice now in force or prevailing in this Commonwealth it is competent for any of the incorporated companies to disband or dissolve and divide amongst their members the property effects or proceeds thereof belonging to such corporation or to change the object for which they have been incorporated for the purpose therefore of providing a mode whereby any of the said companies may change the object for which they were or have been organized and

incorporated or to disband dissolve and surrender the powers and authorities vested in them by virtue of their charter or acts of incorporation by whomsoever granted or allowed

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any incorporated fire company (including therein engine hose or hook and ladder companies by whatever name called) upon the establishment of a paid fire department by the municipality the domicile of said incorporated fire company that may be desirous of continuing or maintaining their corporate existence for literary charitable benevolent or loan and trust purpose whatever or as a hall association or society for the mutual benefit of its members may by a vote of the majority of its members present (who by the laws of the particular company are or may be entitled to vote) at a stated meeting after at least one month's notice has been given declare the purpose and object for which they desire to continue as aforesaid Such company shall within three months thereafter present their petition to the court of common pleas of said municipality and county praying that the purpose or object for which they may desire to continue their corporate existence as aforesaid may be approved by said court whereupon said petition shall be filed and if the object or purpose therein expressed and stated shall appear to the judges of the said court to be lawful and not injurious to the community and if no sufficient objection thereto be shown by any person or persons interested therein the said court shall on the first day of the next succeeding term not less than four weeks after the filing of the said petition enter their decree approving of the object or purpose for which such corporation shall thereafter continue a certified copy of which decree shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of said county and thereupon such object or purpose shall supersede the object or purpose named or expressed in the charter or act of incorporation of said company and shall be as valid and binding as if the same had been the original object or purpose for which such company had been incorporated And such company may also issue shares of stock not exceeding in amount the value of their property and effects and distribute the same to and amongst the members thereof entitled thereto said shares to be assignable and transferable in the usual manner the holder or holders of any share or shares to be entitled to one vote for each and every share held by him her or them such company may also by and with the assent and approval of the said court change the name of such corporation and provide for its management by such officers and board of directors or managers not exceeding seven in number exclusive of president and treasurer as to them may seem just and expedient

Section 2 That if any of the companies named in the first section of this act shall be desirous of disbanding dissolving and surrendering their corporate existence it shall and may be lawful for them so to do and the property and effects or the proceeds thereof may be distributed and divided to and among the members entitled thereto under the following conditions to-wit

First Such company shall give at least six months' notice of their intention to dissolve and surrender their corporate existence by advertisement in at least one daily newspaper published in said county to be designated by the court of common pleas upon application by the proper company, said advertisement to be published at least once a week for four weeks or continuously for one week

Second Such company shall through its secretary or by a committee appointed for that purpose make a roll of all such members who are entitled to participate in the distribution of its property or the proceeds thereof who may apply to him or to them personally or otherwise said roll shall be kept open during the whole of the said aforesaid six months and it shall be the duty of such secretary or committee to enter upon such roll the name or names of any and all members who may apply as aforesaid who are known to him or them or if unknown who shall produce satisfactory evidence that he or they is or are entitled to have his or their name or names placed on said roll and said roll shall at the expiration of said six months be verified by the oath or affirmation of said secretary or committee.

Third Such company shall immediately after the expiration of said six months appoint a committee of not less than three members which committee in conjunction with the president and treasurer of said company shall make out and sign a schedule of the description amount and value of all the property and effects of such company the names of all persons who are included within the provisions of clause second of this section and the description amount and value of the property effects or moneys allotted to each of such persons respectively and which shall be as nearly equal as may be and which schedule shall be verified by oath or affirmation of a majority of such committee one of whom shall be the president or treasurer and said schedule shall be submitted to a stated meeting of said company and if approved by a vote of the majority of such members present as are included in the second clause hereof shall be final and conclusive

Fourth As soon as all steps and proceedings provided for in this section shall have been completed a certified copy thereof shall be made out attested by the signatures of the officers of such company and by the seal of the corporation and shall be duly acknowledged as in the case of a deed made by a corporation and recorded in the office for recording deeds at cetera for said municipality and county and thereafter such corporation shall be dissolved and cease to exist and all the powers and authorities thereto belonging shall become and be null and void and of no effect except such as are necessary to carry this act into effect the distribution of the property and effects of such company shall be made as soon after the approval of the schedule mentioned in clause third as may be convenient Provided That nothing herein contained shall be construed as to prevent any person who may deem himself aggrieved by the action of any company in his case applying to the proper court for redress by bill in equity or upon or for a mandamus upon his giving such security as the court may determine to pay all damages that may be incurred and all costs that may accrue if the decree of the court upon final hearing shall be against him and a part of such costs shall be a reasonable counsel fee to be allowed by the court in the particular case and fixed by the decree

Section 3 That in the event of any of the companies included within the provision of this act, changing by virtue of the provision hereof into stock companies, the shares into which the capital stock of such corporation may be divided, shall be issued to such of the members of said company as were required to perform active services as a condition of membership or who may have been transferred from the active roll to the roll of honorary members as a reward or token of recognition for previous active services and to those only who may have signed the constitution or by-laws of such company and in case of a total dissolution of such company under the provision of the second section of this act those members only who are designated in this section shall be entiled to a distributive share of the proceeds of the property of such company.

Section 4 If in any case any number of the active and honorary members either or both of any company not less than ten in number may desire to perpetuate the corporate existence of any company either for social purposes or for any of the purposes mentioned in the first section of this act and a majority of such company may desire to dissolve as aforesaid it shall and may be lawful for such members by signing and presenting to such company an agreement in writing to perpetuate the existence of such corporation to take unto themselves the liabilities and responsibilities imposed and to enjoy the privileges granted in and by the charter of such company and in such case the proceedings directed in and by the second section of this act shall be pursued except as to the division of their property and the recording the proceedings in lieu of which after the amount of dividend shall have been ascertained and approved as aforesaid the receipt of such dividend by any member shall be construed to be a resignation and shall be so entered upon the books of such company and the members so receiving a dividend shall thenceforth cease to be a member of such corporation or company Provided That it shall and may be lawful for any company to purchase the right of any member and upon the payment of the agreed price the membership of such person shall thereupon terminate.

Section 5 That the sales by any company included in the first section of this act hereafter made shall be deemed and taken to have been made pursuant to the provisions of this act and are hereby declared to be valid and to vest the title to such property in the purchasers of such property

Section 6 It shall and may be lawful for any of the companies mentioned in the first section of this act to accept the provisions of this act as a supplement to the charter or act of incorporation of such company by the vote of a majority of the members entitled to vote who may be present at any stated meeting of such company and if so accepted the provisions hereof shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the charter or act of incorporation of such accepting company except where a particular number have a right to continue Provided That nothing contained in this act shall be held to affect the right of any member or companies as the same have been heretofore adjudicated by any court and the same are hereby confirmed

Provided That this act shall not repeal or affect the provisions of any special law relating to the same subject in any county township borough or city in this Commonwealth

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Washers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Magee,	Smith, W. W.,	
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

The PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 16, as follows:

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipeline, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air, or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one) entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" which reads as follows

"Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service Service of the notice may be accepted by the owner's attorney or the claimant his agent or attorney may serve the notice upon the owner in any of the methods now provided for by law in the case of a summons or if for any cause service by any of the aforesaid methods cannot be had then by posting the notice upon the property described in the claim and by mailing a copy thereof to the owner at his last known residence A failure to serve such notice or post it or have service accepted as herein provided and to file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 2, line 15, by striking out "equeduct" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "aqueduct."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 29, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend "The Public Service Company Law," approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred seventy-four), by creating the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Department of Internal Affairs; fixing the number of Commissioners, and their terms; making the Secretary of Internal Affairs the Chairman of the Commission; and fixing a time when the terms of the present commissioners shall cease.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 33, as follows:

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sections

Section 635 Boards of school directors in districts of the second and third class may establish and maintain for children and adult persons in school buildings and on the school grounds under the custody and management of such boards evening schools vacation schools reading rooms library stations debating clubs gymnasiums public playgrounds public baths and similar activities and accommodations to be determined by such boards without charge to the residents of such districts Such boards of school directors may also co-operate with commissioners or boards having the custody and management of public parks libraries museums and public buildings and grounds of whatever sort in the city borough town or township comprising such school district and make arrangements satisfactory to such boards or school directors and such commissioners or boards controlling other public buildings and grounds to provide the supervision instruction and oversight necessary to carry on public educational and recreational activities as described in this section in buildings and upon grounds in the custody and under the management of such commissioners or boards

Section 636 If any board of school directors neglects or refuses to proceed as authorized in section six hundred and thirty-five of this act the question of their action as herein authorized shall upon petition signed by not less than ten per cent of the qualified voters in such school district be submitted to the electors of the school district at the next regular election in the manner provided by the general election law If a majority of the votes cast upon such proposition are in favor thereof the board of school directors shall undertake and organize this work

Section 637 Boards of school directors in districts of the second and third class shall at or before their first regular meeting in August or September of each year estimate the amount of money required for the next fiscal year for the support of the afore-mentioned activities which have been previously determined upon by such boards of school directors They shall levy and collect a tax upon all the property subject to taxation in the district at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected Such tax shall be equal to the amount of money required for such purposes The tax so levied shall not in any one year exceed two-tenths mill on the dollar of assessed valuation Such tax shall not be used or appropriated directly or indirectly for any other purpose than that provided in section six hundred and thirty-five of this act

Section 638 All moneys received by or raised in such school district for the afore-mentioned purpose shall be paid over to the treasurer of the school district to be disbursed by him on orders of the board of school directors in the same manner as other funds at the disposal of the board in such district are disbursed by them The tax provided for in section six hundred and thirty-seven shall not be levied or collected until after the question of the levy and collection of such tax has been submitted to the qualified electors of such school district at some regular or special election and has been favorably voted upon by a majority of the electors voting upon such question at such election The question as to the levy and collection of such special tax shall be submitted to the voters in the manner provided by the general election

law upon request of the board of school directors The question of the levy of such tax shall also be submitted upon a petition to that effect signed by not less than ten per centum of the number of qualified voters in the school district

Section 639 After the question of the levy and collection of such special tax has been submitted to and approved by the voters as provided in section six hundred and thirty-eight of this act the authority thus given to levy and collect such tax shall continue and such tax shall be levied and collected annually until such time as the voters of the school district of such city shall by majority vote order the discontinuance of the same The question of the discontinuance of the levy and collection of such tax shall be submitted to the voters in the same manner and under the same conditions as the proposition to authorize the levy and collection of the tax

Section 640 The board of school directors in any school district of the second or third class is also empowered to receive and expend for the purposes set forth in section six hundred and thirty-five of this act any sums of money appropriated and turned over to them by the city borough town or township forming such school district for such purposes

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I would like to say for the information of the Senate that this bill is a bill which gives permission in school districts of the second and third class for school houses and centres to become recreation places and lecture halls and places where the public may go for the purpose of the uplift of a community whenever the district so desires. It is not mandatory, it is entirely in charge of the people of the district; if they do not want it, they do not need to accept it; if they desire it and wish any improvements made for this purpose, they can present a petition to the court and have it submitted to the voters in order to have money provided, and to see that it is carried out. Therefore, in the interest of the public school system, and for the purpose of complying with some of the legislation that some of the reformers and idealists desire for the benefit of the public school system and in keeping with the advanced states of Oregon and some other states that have not as much population as a large city in this Commonwealth, I ask every Senator to give us the opportunity to have the same benefits that those uplift states have that my friend Vare and the rest talk about.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Magee,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government, when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties, or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 65, on third reading, entitled

An Act relating to desertion and non-support and directing imprisonment at hard labor in certain cases; providing for the payment of certain sums of money by either the institutions wherein the dependent is confined or the respective county for the support of dependents; providing for the appointment of desertion probation officers and for their salaries and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeitures of bail bonds, bonds or recognizances and providing for the payment by the county of the salaries and expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this act.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 88, as follows:

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred and seventy-four) entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers including the exclusive power to regulate the construction alteration relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases providing for the terms salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporation or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars' and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars approved twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court and conferring jurisdiction on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to dispose of certain pending appeals

Whereas By the amendment of June third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen to the Public Service Company law the jurisdiction to hear appeals from orders and decrees of the Public Service Commission was transferred from the court of common pleas of Dauphin county to the Superior Court and

Whereas In adopting the said amendment to the Public Service Company Law the legislature failed to amend section eighteen of article six of said act and it was held in case of West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company Appellant

versus Public Service Commission reported in sixty-one Pennsylvania Superior Court Reports page five hundred and fifty-five that this section should have been amended and

Whereas In transferring said jurisdiction from the court of common pleas of Dauphin county to the Superior Court no provision was made for the disposition of appeals then pending in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county and undisposed of therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eighteen of article six of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred and seventy-four) entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers including the exclusive power to regulate the construction alteration relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested in the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases providing for the terms salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin county exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars' approved twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" which reads as follows

"Section 18 The commission shall be immediately notified in writing by the appellant or appellants of the taking of an appeal and within thirty days after service of such notice shall certify under its official seal to the proper court of common pleas as hereinabove provided the record of the said proceedings which record shall include the testimony taken therein the findings of fact if any of the commission based upon such testimony a copy of all orders made by the commission in said proceedings and a copy of the opinion if any filed by the commission The cost of preparing and certifying such record shall be paid to the commission by the appellant or appellants and taxed as part of the costs in the case to be paid as directed by the court upon the final determination of the appeal" is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 18 The commission shall be immediately notified in writing by the appellant or appellants of the taking of an appeal and within thirty days after service of such notice shall certify under its official seal to the Superior Court as hereinabove provided the record of the said proceedings which record shall include the testimony taken therein the findings of fact if any of the commission based upon such testimony a copy of all orders made by the commission in said proceedings and a copy of the opinion if any filed by the commission The cost of preparing and certifying such record shall be paid to the commission by the appellant or appellants and taxed as part of the costs in the case to be paid as directed by the court upon the final determination of the appeal.

Section 2 All appeals from orders and decrees of the Public Service Commission pending in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County entered before June third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and undisposed of shall be heard and disposed of in the same manner and with like effect as appeals from orders and decrees of the Public Service Commission were heard and disposed of in said court of common pleas of Dauphin County prior to the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen Jurisdiction is hereby conferred on the court of common pleas of Dauphin County to hear and dispose of all such appeals subject to the appeal to the Superior Court as in other cases

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 2, line 5, by striking out after the word "decrees" the balance of said section and inserting in lieu thereof after the said word "decrees" the following: "by the Superior Court in the same manner and with like effect as though said appeals had been taken to the Superior Court in the first instance after the passage of the said amendment of June third, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen to the Public Service Company law. Jurisdiction is hereby conferred on the Superior Court to hear and dispose of all such appeals subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court as in other cases." Also by adding a new section to be known as Section 3, as follows:

"Section 3. Immediately upon the approval of this Act the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, shall certify the records of said appeals pending before it to the Superior Court and the said Superior Court shall proceed to hear and determine the same." Also amend title by striking out on page 3, line 26, after the word "the" the words "court of common pleas of Dauphin County" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Superior Court."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I offer these amendments at the requests of many Senators. It seems to me to be the policy that every bill I present needs some amendment in the minds of some of the Senators. In order to oblige everybody, I put every amendment in that is requested, because that will make sure passage of the bill.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven, of an act entitled, "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	McConnell,	Sones,
Buckman,	Eyre,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Weaver,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Whitten,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Pres. pro tem
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—9.

Hindman,	Sassaman,	Stewart,
Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Tompkins,
McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Wasbers,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 23, as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "A supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement mantenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act'" making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "A supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships of counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid Highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of material to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are now effected by provisions of this act'" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to make and enter into contracts for the reconstruction or improvement of any section of a State Highway for which an application has been or which may hereafter be made by any county township borough or incorporated town or by any county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town asking that such section of State Highway be reconstructed or improved in the same manner as a State-aid Highway and agreeing to pay its or their respective share of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as provided for in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement or upon such other terms and conditions as to the sharing of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as may be agreed upon between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county township borough or incorporated town or between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town but otherwise as provided in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to make and enter into contracts for the reconstruction or improvement of any section of a State highway for which an application has been or which may hereafter be made by any county township borough or incorporated town or by any county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town asking that such section of State Highway be reconstructed or improved in the same manner as a State-aid highway and agreeing to pay its or their respective share of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as provided for in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement or upon such other terms and conditions as to the sharing of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as may be agreed upon between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county township borough or incorporated town or between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town but otherwise as provided in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement

In the construction or improvement of any such State highway in any borough town or township in the same manner as a State-aid highway the State Highway Department may use funds now appropriated or that may hereafter be appropriated either for State highway or State-aid highway purposes

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due

advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than one thousand dollars

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or re-build any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair building or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than two hundred and fifty dollars" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five thousand dollars

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 15, by striking out the word "thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "hundred."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than one thousand dollars.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, line 11, by striking out the words "one thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "five hundred."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 46, on second reading, entitled

An Act to prevent the manufacture sale offering or exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell adulterated or misbranded alcoholic and intoxicating liquors imposing certain powers and duties on the Dairy and Food Commissioner and prescribing penalties.

be recommitted to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products and prescribing penalties.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is unlawful for any person corporation partnership or association to use in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products any bottle jar vessel or other package of another upon which is stamped blown or engraved the name title or mark of the owner after being notified by such owner not to so use them unless permission so to do is afterwards expressly granted

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 Any person corporation partnership or association violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding one month or both at the discretion of the court If the violation is by a corporation partnership or association the officers or directors of such corporation or the members of such partnership or association its agents or employes with guilty knowledge of the fact shall also be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be punished as provided in this section

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 8, by striking out "sectin" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "section."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products and prescribing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 57, as follows:

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for any city of the third class to appropriate public moneys for the purpose of having music in any public park or place At the time of making of the annual appropriation ordinance any city council in a city of the third class may appropriate such sum of money as in their judgment shall be necessary for the purpose of supplying music in any public park or place

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 69, entitled

A Supplement to the second section of an act entitled, "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled, 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine,' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distribution.

The first and second sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Section two of the act of June twenty-eighth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five entitled "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs withis this Commonwealth" which reads as follows

"Section 2 On and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and annually thereafter there shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within the Commonwealth one-half of the net amount received from the two per centum tax paid upon premiums by foreign fire insurance companies The amount to be paid to each of the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs shall be based upon the return of the said two per centum tax upon premiums received from foreign fire insurance companies doing business within the said cities and boroughs as shown by the Insurance Commissioner's report Warrants for the above purposes shall be drawn by the Auditor General payable to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs in accordance with this act whenever there are sufficient funds in the State treasury to pay the same" be amended to read as follows

Section 2 On and after the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and annually thereafter there shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the several cities townships and boroughs within the Commonwealth the entire net amount received from the two per centum tax paid upon premiums by foreign fire insurance companies. The amount to be paid to each of the treasurers of the several cities townships and boroughs shall be based upon the return of said two per centum tax upon premiums received from foreign fire insurance companies doing business within the said cities townships and boroughs as shown by the Insurance Commissioner's report Warrant for the above purposes shall be drawn by the Auditor General payable to the treasurers of the several cities townships and boroughs in accordance with this act whenever there are sufficient funds in the State Treasury to pay the same

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 Be it further enacted That from and after the passing of this act the Auditor General is hereby authorized to withhold payment of the amount appropriated to any city township or borough as herein provided wherein there exists a duly organized firemen's relief association in conjunction with the regular approved fire department or fire company or fire companies of said city township borough unless it shall appear that the said city township or borough has appropriated a sum equal to the amount disbursed under an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine and the supplement thereto prior to this amendment for the preceding fiscal year for the uses and purposes of the relief fund of said fire department or fire company or fire companies in said city township or borough and thereafter during each succeeding year an amount equivalent to the net amount payable to said city township or borough under Section one of this act

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 3, line 27, by inserting after the word "township" the word "or."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth and fifth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 If any provision of this act shall be held by any court to be unconstitutional such judgment shall not affect any other section or provision

Section 5 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

A Supplement to the second section of An Act entitled "A supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distributions.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and making certain exceptions, and providing a Board of Optometrical Education, Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained, and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act, and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board, and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the practice of optometry is hereby defined to be the employment of any means other than the use of drugs for the measurement of the powers of vision and the adaptation of lenses for the correction and aid of the vision of human beings

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 That on and after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen it shall not be lawful for any person in this Commonwealth to engage in the practice of optometry or to hold himself out as a practitioner of optometry or to attempt to determine by an examination of the eye the kind of glasses needed by any person or to hold himself out as a licensed optometrist when not so licensed or to hold himself out as able to examine the eyes of any person for the purpose of fitting the same with glasses excepting those hereinafter exempted unless he has first fulfilled the requirements of this act and has received a certificate of licensure from the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure created by this act nor shall it be lawful for any person in this Commonwealth to represent that he is the lawful holder of a certificate of licensure such as is provided for in this act when in fact he is not such lawful holder or to impersonate any licensed practitioner of optometry or to fail to deliver the certificate provided for in section six of this act

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be subject upon his first offense to a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or imprisonment for not more than six months in the county prison or both or either at the discretion of the court and upon conviction on second or later offences shall be subject to a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than one year at the discretion of the court

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move to amend section two, page two in line twenty-four, by striking out the word "it" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "is."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 For the purpose of carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this act there shall be established in this Commonwealth a board which shall be known as the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania The said board shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before July first nineteen hundred and seventeen Each mem-

ber shall receive a certificate of his appointment signed by the Governor and attested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth The members of this board shall be optometrists citizens of this Commonwealth who possess the requisite qualifications to practice optometry under this act and who shall have been so practicing in this State during the five years next previous to their appointment Two members of the board first appointed under this act shall serve for one year two for two years and three for three years after which the successor of each member shall be appointed for the term of three years but no member of said board shall be a member of the faculty of any undergraduate school or college teaching optometry The first appointees shall by virtue of such appointment receive certificates of licensure without examination The Governor shall by appointment fill all vacancies caused by death resignation or otherwise and may remove any member of said board for continued neglect of his duties in connection therewith or for any unprofessional or dishonorable conduct Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term of the deceased or retiring member The board herein created is hereby charged with the enforcement of this act

All suits for the recovery of the penalties prescribed in this act shall be prosecuted in the name of the State of Pennsylvania in any court having jurisdiction and it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the county where such offence is committed to prosecute all the persons violating the provisions of this act upon proper complaint being made

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move to amend section three, on page three, line twenty-two by striking out the word "bee" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "be."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 Said board shall affect its organization immediately after the appointment of its members by the Governor by holding a meeting at which it shall elect from its membership a president and a secretary who shall also be treasurer It shall have authority to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this Commowealth for the transaction of its business and for the registration of all optometrists of this Commonwealth and for conducting examination of applicants Said rules shall be printed in pamphlet form for public distribution Five members shall constitute a quorum for transaction of all business except for the revocation or suspension of a certificate of licensure or the determination of the fitness of any school or college to render eligible its graduates for licensure when the consent of a majority of the whole board shall be necessary No license shall be granted under this act except with the approval of at least four members of the board Said board shall meet at least twice a year at Harrisburg Any member may administer oaths and take testimony when appointed so to do by the board The appointed members shall receive compensation at the rate of ten dollars and necessary expense for each day actually devoted to the work of the board

Section 5 Every person desiring to commence the practice of optometry or if now in practice to continue the practice thereof after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen except as herein otherwise provided shall take the examination provided in this act and satisfy the other requirements hereof as here provided Any person who has been engaged in the practice of optometry in this Commonwealth for two full years prior to the passage of this act or for one year in this and for the year preceding it in another state and is of good character shall be entitled to take a limited examination covering the following only

(a) the limitation of the sphere of optometry
(b) the necessary scientific instruments used
(c) the form and power of lenses used
(d) a correct method of measuring presbyopia hypermetropia myopia and astigmatism
(e) the writing of formulae or prescriptions for the adaptation of lenses in aid of vision

Any person over the age of twenty-one years of good moral character who has had a preliminary education equivalent to two years of the course of high school whose standard is approved by the Bureau of Professional Education of the Department of Public Instruction which preliminary education shall be ascertained by examination or by acceptable certificate as to credentials for work done in such approved institution and has graduated from a school or college of optometry approved by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure which maintains a course in optometry of not less than two years and has afterwards studied optometry for at least one year in a licensed optometrist's office shall be entitled to take a standard examination Said standard examination shall consist of tests in practical theoretical and physiological optics in theoretical and practical optometry and in the anatomy and physiology of the eye and in pathology as applied to optometry Provided that any person not less than twenty-one years of age who is actually engaged in the practice of optometry at the time of the passage of this act shall be entitled to take the standard examination merely upon proof to the board that he is of good moral character and is not addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol or narcotic drugs

Section 6 Every person desiring to be licensed as in this act provided shall file with the secretary of said board upon appropriate blank to be furnished by said secretary an application verified by oath setting forth the facts which entitled the applicant to examination and licensure under the provisions of this act The said board shall hold at least two examinations each year In case of failure at any standard examination the applicant after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination by the board without the payment of an additional fee In case of failure at any limited examination the applicant shall have the privilege of continuing the practice of optometry and of taking a second examination without the payment of an additional fee But in the event of his failure to pass the second examination on or before July first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen he shall thereafter cease to practice optometry in this Commonwealth Every applicant who shall pass the standard examination or the limited examination as the case may be and who shall otherwise comply with the provisions of this act shall receive from the said board under its seal a certificate of licensure entitling him to practice optometry in this Commonwealth which certificate shall be duly registered in a record book to be properly kept by the secretary of the board for that purpose which shall be open to public inspection and a duly certified copy of said record shall be received as evidence in all courts of this Commonwealth in the trial of any case Each person to whom a certificate shall be issued by said board shall keep said certificate displayed in a conspicuous place in the office or place of business wherein said person shall practice optometry together with the photograph of said person attached to the lower right hand corner of said certificate and shall whenever required exhibit the said certificate to any member or agent of the said board Peddling from door to door or the establishment of temporary offices is specifically forbidden under penalty of revocation of certificate by said board Whenever any person shall practice optometry outside or away from his office or place of business he shall deliver to each person fitted with glasses by him a certificate signed by him wherein he shall set forth the amount charged his post office address and the number of his certificate Each person to whom a certificate has been issued by said board shall before practicing under the same register said certificate in the office of the prothonotary in each county wherein he proposes to practice optometry and shall pay therefor such fee as may be lawfully chargeable for such registry The prothonotary in each county shall keep a certificate registration book wherein he shall promptly register each certificate for which the fee is paid

Section 7 Said Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure shall charge the following fees for examination registration and renewals of certificates The sum of twenty-five dollars for a standard examination and ten dollars for a limited examination Every registered optimetrist who desires to continue the practice of optometry shall annually on or before the first day of January pay to the secretary of the board a renewal registration fee of two dollars per annum for which he shall receive a renewal of his certificate

In case of neglect to pay the renewal registration fee herein specified the board may revoke such certificate and the holder thereof may be reinstated by complying with the conditions specified in this act But no certificate or permit shall be revoked without giving sixty days' notice to the delinquent who within such period shall have the right of renewal of such certificate on payment of the renewal fee with a penalty of five dollars provided that retirement from practice for a period not exceeding five years shall not deprive the holder of said certificate of the right to renew his certificate on the payment of all lapsed fees

The board shall adopt a seal and certificate of suitable design and shall have an office at Harrisburg in this Commonwealth where examinations may be held and where all its permanent records shall be kept which shall be open to public inspection It shall have power to make requisition upon the proper state officials for office rooms and supplies including stationery and furniture All printing and binding necessary for the work of the said board shall be done by the State Printer upon an order issued by said board through its president and secretary to the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding

Section 8 All fees received by said board for examination or from any other source shall be utilized in regulating the practice of optometry and paying the expenses of the board including necessary clerk hire as provided for in this act any surplus to be turned over to the State Treasurer at least once in each twelve months An annual audit of the accounts of the board shall be made by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth The treasurer of said board shall give a bond to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars for the faithful performance of his duties said bond to be approved by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth who shall be custodian of the bond

Section 9 The Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure shall refuse to grant a certificate of licensure to any applicant and may cancel revoke or suspend the operation of any certificate by it granted for any or all of the following reasons to wit The conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits or stimulants narcotics or any other substance which impairs the intellect and judgment to such an extent as to incapacitate for the performance of the duties of an optometrist. The certificate of licensure of any person convicted of a violation of section two of this act shall be ipso facto revoked

Any person who is the holder of a certificate of licensure or who is an applicant for examination for a certificate of licensure against whom is preferred any charge shall be furnished by the board with a copy of the complaint and shall have a hearing before the board at which hearing he may be represented by counsel At such hearing witnesses may be examined for and against the accused respecting the said charges which examination shall be conducted in the manner usually followed in the taking of testimony before commissions in this Commonwealth The suspensions of a certificate of licensure by reason of the use of stimulants or narcotics may be revoked when the holder thereof shall have been adjudged by the said board to be cured and capable of practicing optometry

The tenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 10 An applicant for a certificate of licensure who has been examined by the State Board of Optometrical Examiners of another state which through reciprocity similarly accredits the holder of a certificate issued by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of this Commonwealth to the full privileges or practice within such state shall on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars to the said board and on filing in the office of the board a true and attested copy of the said license certified by the president or secretary of the State board issuing the same and showing that the standard or requirements adopted and enforced by said board is equal to that provided for by this act shall without further examination receive a certificate of licensure provided that such applicant has not previously failed at an examination held by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of this Commonwealth

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move to amend section ten on page eleven, line twenty-six, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 11 Nothing in this act shall be construed as conferring on the holder of any certificate of licensure issued by said board the title of doctor oculist opthalmologist or any other word or abbreviation indicating that he is engaged in the practice of medicine or surgery of the treatment or diagnosis of diseases of or injuries to the human eye or the right to use drugs or medicines in any form for the treatment or examination of the human eye

Section 12 The provisions of this act shall not apply (a) to the physicians or surgeons practicing under authority of license issued under the laws of this Commonwealth for the practice of medicine or surgery or (b) to persons selling spectacles and eye-glasses but who do not assume directly or indirectly to adapt them to the eye or neither practice or profess to practice optometry

Section 13 This act shall take effect and be in full force from the date of the appointment of the said board by the Governor as herein provided

Section 14 Whenever in this act the singular number is used it shall be interpreted as meaning both singular and plural if compatible with the sense of the language used and vice versa and wherever in this act the masculine gender is used it shall be construed as comprehending also the feminine gender

The fifteenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 15 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed it being intended that this act shall furnish a complete and exclusive system of an in itself for obtaining the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and for the regulation of the practice of optometry therein

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move to amend section fifteen in line three by striking out the article "an" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The preamble of the bill was read as follows:

Whereas The eyesight of the citizens of this Commonwealth is endangered by incompetent persons practicing optometry and due regard for the safety and protection of the citizens demands that only authorized and qualified optometrists shall be permitted to practice optometry

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the preamble?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move to amend the preamble in line one by striking out "eysight" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eyesight."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the preamble as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act defining Optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five) which reads as follows

"Section 3 The presiding judge shall appoint a chief probation officer whose salary shall not exceed three thousand dollars per year and such additional probation officers as the majority of the judges may determine at salaries not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year whose compensation shall be fixed by the majority of the judges of said court and whose powers and duties shall be similar to those heretofore exercised by probation officers appointed by the court of quarter sessions of the peace of said county In addition to such compensation the probation officers shall receive such expenses as may be necessary and shall have been approved by the judge of the juvenile court Said compensation and expenses shall be paid monthly out of the treasury of Allegheny county in the manner in which other county expenses are paid by law" shall be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The presiding judge shall appoint a chief probation officer whose salary shall not exceed three thousand dollars per year and such additional probation offi-

cers as the majority of the judges may determine at salaries not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year whose compensation shall be fixed by the salary board The presiding judge of the said court shall constitute a member of the salary board when such salaries are to be fixed The powers and duties of the probation officers as herein appointed shall be similar to those heretofore exercised by probation officers appointed by the court of quarter sessions of the peace of said county In addition to such compensation the probation officers shall receive such expenses as may be necessary and shall have been approved by the judge of the juvenile court Said compensation and expenses shall be paid monthly out of the treasury of Allegheny county in the manner in which other county expenses are paid by law

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 17, by striking out "bp" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "by".

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 84, as follows:

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie county Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due them or either of them from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through any negligence of the Commonwealth on the Lake Road between the city of Erie and North Girard Erie county Pennsylvania This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 85, as follows:

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie county Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due them or either of them from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through any negligence of the Commonwealth on the Lake Road between the city of Erie and North Girard Erie county Pennsylvania This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 86, as follows:

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie county Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due him from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through any negligence of the Commonwealth on the Lake Road between the City of Erie and North Girard Erie county Pennsylvania This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 87, as follows:

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie are authorized to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife in their own right arising out of certain injuries occurring to them and their property while lawfully driving along State Highway route number eighty-four in the County of Erie State of Pennsylvania This suit shall be subject to the same rule of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 98, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of July one thousand eight hundred eighty-five entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the third day of July one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and fifty-six) entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act all witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth shall be entitled to compensation as

follows namely For each day necessarily in attendance fifty cents and for each mile necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the office of the justice of the peace or alderman out of which the subpoena issued three cents" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act all witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth shall be entitled to compensation as follows namely For each day necessarily in attendance one dollar and for each mile necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the office of the justice of the peace or alderman out of which the subpoena issued three cents

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 99, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stock and upon deliveries of transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations co-partnerships associations and joint-stock associations providing the manner of collecting such tax and prescribing penalties" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by this act.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever the Auditor General shall appoint as agent or agents for the sale of stamps for the purpose of paying the State tax provided for by the act to which this is a supplement and shall sell consign or deliver to such agent or agents any such stamps for sale or use such agent or agents shall be entitled to receive as compensation for his or their services and expenses as such agent or agents and to retain out of the moneys to be paid by him or them into the State Treasury for such stamps a commission of two per centum (2%) of the par value thereof and the Auditor General and State Treasurer are hereby directed and required to allow such commission or compensation in the settlement of the accounts of such agent or agents upon payment by him or them into the State Treasury of any moneys which may be or become due to the Commonwealth by reason of the sale delivery or consignment to such agent or agents of stamps as aforesaid

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1 in line 4 by striking out the word "as" and inserting in lieu thereof the article "an".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stock and upon deliveries of transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations co-partnership associations and joint-stock associations providing the manner of collecting such tax and prescribing penalties" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by this act.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 3 by striking out the word "of" where it last occurs and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time. and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

MOTION TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT ON PROOFREADING OF BILLS.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, in connection with the bill just read, I would like to draw the attention of the presiding officer and the members of the Senate to the fact that practically two-thirds of all the bills which come in here contain typographical errors, dropping of words and things of that sort, which necessitate amendments, require a great deal of additional printing, and take up the time of the Senate.

Mr. President, I move that the Chairman of the Printing Committee of the Senate be requested to look into the matter of the carrying out of the printing for the Senate and proof-reading, and make some kind of investigation and report which will correct the situation as it exists.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 104, as follows:

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the approval of this act the superintendent and deputy superintendent of the Department of State Police and the officers and enlisted men of the State Police Force and their salaries shall be as follows

A Superintendent of State Police at six thousand dollars ($6,000) per annum

A Deputy Superintendent of State Police at three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500) per annum

Four captains each at twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum

Four lieutenants each at eighteen hundred dollars ($1,800) per annum

Four first sergeants each at thirteen hundred and fifty dollars ($1,350) per annum

Sixteen sergeants each at twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum

Thirty-two corporals each at eleven hundred dollars ($1,100) per annum

Two hundred and seventy privates each at ten hundred and twenty dollars ($1,020) per annum.

Section 2 That the officers and enlisted men of the State Police Force shall receive an increase of sixty dollars ($60) per annum during continuous service after two years and an additional increase of sixty dollars ($60) per annum during continuous service after four years Provided this section shall not apply to the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 112, as follows:

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb a resident of Dauphin county Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met by virtue of the power vested in it by section eleven of article first of the Constitution of Pennsylvania does hereby authorize and allow Charles S. Grubb a resident of the county of Dauphin Pennsylvania to bring suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin

county any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Charles S. Grubb for personal injuries received by the said Charles S. Grubb on the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen while employed in the State Highway Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth Said suit or suits to be subject to the rules of pleading evidence and appeal as other suits brought in said court are subject

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 114, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates' passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate" approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all appraisement and setting aside of property real or personal made by three appraisers since the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen under article two of section one of an act approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates' passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of said intestate" are if otherwise lawful hereby validated and made as good in law as if they had been made by two appraisers

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, on page 2, in line 3, by striking out the word "estate" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "estates"; also on page 2, in line 6, by striking out the word "said" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "such".

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates' passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate" approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 5 by striking out the word "estate" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "estates".

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties if highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the several counties of this Commonwealth shall have power and they are hereby authorized whenever the commissioners or a majority of them shall by resolution duly adopted deem it expedient so to do and upon the approval thereof by a grand jury and by the court of quarter sessions as hereinafter provided to cause to be located constructed operated and maintained under the provisions of this act a public highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road or highways bridges tunnels subways or underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof and any highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road constructed under the provisions of this act shall forever thereafter be a county highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road and the duty of maintaining the same and keeping in repair shall devolve upon the county and the expense thereof shall be paid by the county as hereinafter provided

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1 in line 5 by striking out "commssioners" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "commissioners".

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 Whenever the commissioners of any county shall resolve to construct any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road in accordance with the provisions of this act they shall cause to be prepared surveys and plans for said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road with an estimate of the cost and expense of the same and shall thereupon present such surveys plans and estimate or a copy thereof together with their petition to the court of quarter sessions of the county and upon the filing thereof the court shall direct notice to be given of the same substantially describing the location and termini of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road by publication at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in the county wherein said proposed public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road is to be constructed or if no newspaper be published in said county then in a newspaper or newspapers published in the nearest adjoining county of the time when said application is to be laid before the grand jury and after advertisement as aforesaid the said court shall cause the said application to be laid before the grand jury when in session and if a majority of said grand jury after a full investigation by the grand jury shall approve the same they shall certify their approval to the court whereupon the court shall fix such time for filing exceptions to said proceedings as the court shall deem proper and upon hearing thereof the said court may for cause shown disallow said application but if no sufficient cause be shown to the contrary said application shall be approved and said court shall thereupon order that said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road be constructed in accordance with the plans and surveys accompanying the said application and thereupon the right to proceed with said construction of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as set forth in said proceedings shall remain absolute

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2 in line 3 by striking out "wth" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "with".

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 For the purpose of making all necessary preliminary surveys in order to prepare such plans and estimates the commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth and the persons by them employed for such purposes shall and are hereby given the right to enter upon the private or public property and designate by proper marks upon the ground the line and location of any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road proposed to be constructed under and for the purpose authorized in section one of this act

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?
Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section three, line fourteen by striking out the word "the."
Mr. McNICHOL. I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 In the location construction maintenance and operation of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road it shall be lawful for the several counties to enter upon take appropriate and use whatever land ground and property may be necessary for the proper construction thereof and of the proper approaches slopes fills embankments the damages therefor if any shall be taken into consideration and determined and reported by the said board of viewers in the manner herein provided

Section 5 When said application surveys and plans shall have been finally approved by such court and said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road ordered to be constructed as aforesaid the said county commissioners or a majority of them shall endeavor to agree with the persons or parties interested in the properties affected thereby as to the damages if any sustained by reason of the taking injuring or destroying such property and upon agreement being made the said county commissioners shall report the same to such court showing the amount of damages agreed to be paid and the names of the persons or parties to whom the same are payable and upon the approval thereof by such court the said damages shall be payable by said commissioners out of the moneys specifically raised for such purposes in the manner hereinafter provided

Section 6 In case the said commissoners or a majority of them and the parties interested in the land upon or under which said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road shall be or is to be constructed as aforesaid fail to agree upon the compensation to be made for the property so taken injured or destroyed by reason of such construction then upon petition of such commissioners or a majority of them or any person or parties interested in said proposed construction and whose property or land is affected thereby to a court of common pleas of said county the said court of common pleas shall appoint three disinterested freeholders residents of the county aforesaid as viewers and appoint a time not less than twenty nor more than thirty days thereafter when said viewers shall meet upon the line of the proposed construction and view the same and the properties affected thereby The said viewers shall give at least ten days' notice by publication in the newspapers aforesaid of the time and place of their first meeting and shall also give notice thereof by handbills posted in conspicuous places in the vicinity of the said proposed public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road

Section 7 The said viewers having been sworn or affirmed faithfully justly and impartially to decide and true report make concerning all matters and things to be submitted to them and in relation to which they are authorized to inquire under the provisions of this act and having viewed the properties connected with and affected by said proposed improvement shall hear all parties interested and their witnesses and having due regard to the advantages and disadvantages shall estimate and determine the damages if any for the property taken used or appropriated and to whom the same are payable They shall give at least ten days' notice thereof in the manner herein provided to all parties interested of the time and place when said viewers will meet and exhibit their report and hear any exceptions thereto After making whatever changes are deemed necessary and proper said viewers shall make report to said court showing the damages if any allowed and file therewith a plan showing the properties acquired taken used and appropriated for the purpose aforesaid and the names of the parties or persons to whom such damages are payable The said viewers shall have the right to adjourn from day to day as may be found necessary and to administer oaths to all parties and witnesses appearing before them and desiring to be heard upon all matters connected with the construction maintenance repair change or extension of the public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground roads as aforesaid

Section 8 All damages found awarded or sustained for or on account of the construction maintenance and operation of any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road under the provisions of this act and all costs and expense thereafter incurred in repairing and maintaining such public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road shall be paid from the funds raised by taxation or by bonds as hereinafter provided and authorized

Section 9 The viewers provided for in the preceding sections may be appointed before or at any time after the entry taking appropriation or injury of any private property used and acquired in said construction The costs of said viewers and all court costs incurred including all advertising and notices shall be paid by said county and each of the said viewers shall be entitled as compensation to a sum not exceeding five dollars per day for every day necessarily employed in performing the duties herein prescribed

The tenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 10 Upon the report of said viewers or a majority of them being filed in said court any party in interest may within thirty days hereafter file exceptions to the same and the court shall have the power to confirm said report or to modify change or otherwise correct and amend the same or refer the same back to the same or new viewers with like power as to their report or within thirty days after the filing of any report in court the county commissioners on behalf of the county or any party whose property is taken injured or destroyed may appeal therefrom and demand a trial by jury and any party so interested may within thirty days after final decree and confirmation of said report by said court have an appeal either to the Superior or the Supreme Court according to law That said court of common pleas shall have the power to order and direct what notices shall be given in connection with any part of said proceedings and make such orders as it may deem requisite in the premises For the purposes of this act it shall be lawful for a majority of said board of viewers to hear determine pass upon and report all matters in this act relating to said viewers but all said viewers shall act unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable cause

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?
Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 10, line 28, by striking out the word "hereafter" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thereafter."
Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 11 After said surveys and plans and the aforesaid applications to the court of quarter sessions shall have been approved by the court and the said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as decreed by said court of common pleas ordered to be made and constructed in accordance therewith the commissioners or a majority of them of the respective counties wherein said improvement is made or to be made and constructed shall invite proposals for the making and constructing of the same or such part or parts of same as the commissioners shall deem proper by publication in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in said county or if no newspaper published in said county then in a newspaper or newspapers published in the nearest adjoining county once a week for four consecutive weeks fixing a time therein when such proposals will be opened and contracts therefor awarded In addition to the notices so ordered to be given for publication there shall be posted in the office of said commissioners of the respective counties like notices as those now given inviting proposals for the construction and repair of all public highways and bridges The contract or contracts as aforesaid shall be awarded by the said commissioners or a majority of them to the lowest responsible bidder No contract shall be awarded for any of said public work until proper bonds shall be given for the faithful performance thereof by the person or persons to whom the same shall be awarded with proper security to be approved by said commissioners or a majority of them Any incorporated company doing business within any of said counties authorized by law to become security for persons or corporations may be taken and accepted as surety upon the bonds herein required to be given

Section 12 For the purpose of performing all necessary duties relating to the construction improvement mainte-

nance and repair of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads herein authorized the said county commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized to employ or appoint proper persons to do all necessary and proper work connected therewith and shall fix the compensation of all persons so employed

Section 13 The said county commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized and empowered to make and enter into a contract or lease with any street railway or transportation company its successors and assigns for the concurrent use of such a portion of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as shall not substantially impair or restrict the public use and enjoyment thereof upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon Provided however That no such contract or lease for the concurrent use of a portion of such improvement shall be for a longer term or period than twenty years And provided further That no such contract or lease shall be made or entered into by the said county commissioners or a majority thereof affecting the public use and enjoyment of said improvement or any part thereof except upon and after any such contract or lease has been duly approved by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county

Section 14 The said commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized to levy assess and collect an annual tax of not more than two mills on the dollar on all real and personal property within said county now or hereafter taxable for county purposes for the purpose of acquiring and securing a fund from which to pay all costs damages and expenses required in locating opening constructing maintaining and repairing public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads constructed under the provisions of this act and the taking using and enjoying of such land as may be made necessary in constructing the same and in maintaining proper slopes embankmants approaches and termini for said public highways bridges tunnels subways and undergrounds roads and the money so raised shall not be used or expended for any other purpose than that named in this section All warrants for the payment of any portion of the money raised for the purposes aforesaid shall be issued by said commissioners or a majority of them in the manner now provided by law in the several counties upon estimates which shall be made from time to time by the person charged with such duty and the amount and time within which the same shall be paid shall be fixed and determined in the contract made for the public work herein authorized

Section 15 The several counties are hereby authorized when the county commissioners of the respective county shall by a majority vote resolve so to do to borrow money and to incur indebtedness to an amount in the aggregate not exceeding one-half of one per centum of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county as fixed by the last preceding assessed valuation thereof for the construction of such public highways bridges tunnels sidepaths and underground roads or for the purpose of funding any indebtedness incurred therefor and to issue as evidence thereof registered or coupon bonds payable within thirty years from the date of their issue and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum payable annually or semi-annually Said bonds shall not be sold for less than their par value and accrued interest

Section 16 Said commissioners or a majority of them are hereby authorized to make provision for a sinking fund to pay at maturity any bonded indebtedness which may be incurred as hereinbefore provided and to levy and collect taxes on all the taxable property in the several countes in addition to all other taxes for the purpose of paying the same

Section 17 Should any board of county commissioners in the exercise of the powers herein conferred deem it necessary or advisable to enter upon or appropriate any highway street or property of any city or borough in said county or take any other action affecting the property rights or authority of such city or borough for the purpose of constructing or maintaining a highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road or otherwise the consent thereto of such city or borough by ordinance shall be obtained before the actual entering in or upon or the appropriation of such street highway or property and after such entry and appropriation by any county as aforesaid said county shall be liable and charged with the supervision control and maintenance of said highway streets and properties or so much thereof as is taken and used for the purpose of constructing and maintaining such highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road

Section 18 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of the public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties if highways streets and properties of cities boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line eight by striking out the word "thereof" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "therefor;" also in line ten, by striking out the word "if" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of."

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act to amend sections twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twelve hundred and five of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1205 In school districts of the second third and fourth class all contracts with teachers shall be in writing in duplicate and shall be executed on behalf of the board of school directors by the president and secretary and signed by the teacher" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1205 In school districts of the second third and fourth class all contracts with teachers shall be in writing in duplicate nad shall be entered into for at least one calendar year and shall be executed on behalf of the board of school directors by the president and secretary and signed by the teacher

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section one on page two in line twenty by striking out the words "one calendar year" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twelve calendar months."

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 That section twelve hundred and ten of said act which reads as follows

"Section 1210 The minimum salary of every teacher in public schools of this Commonwealth holding a professional or a State certificate who has taught successfully

for two years and presents a certificate to that effect from the proper superintendent shall be fifty dollars ($50.00) per school month The minimum salary of every other teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth shall be forty dollars ($40.00) per school month" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1210 The minimum annual salary of every teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth holding a professional or a State certificate who has taught successfully for two years and presents a certificate to that effect from the proper superintendent shall be as follows

(a) In districts having a seven months' term six hundred ($600) dollars

(b) In districts having an eight months' term six hundred and fifty ($650) dollars

(c) In districts having a nine months' term seven hundred ($700) dollars and

(d) In districts having a term of more than nine months, seven hundred and fifty ($750) dollars

The minimum annual salary of every other teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

(a) In districts having a seven months' term five hundred ($500) dollars

(b) In districts having an eight months' term five hundred and fifty ($550) dollars

(c) In districts having a nine months' term six hundred ($600) dollars and

(d) In districts having a term of more than nine months six hundred and fifty ($650) dollars

The salaries of all teachers in districts of the second third and fourth classes shall be paid monthly during entire calendar year and all teachers shall be at all times during the terms of the respective contract subject to assignment to duty in matters connected with school affairs by the board of school directors notwithstanding that such assignment is not during the actual school term

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section two on page two in line twenty-six by inserting after the word "in" the word "the;" also on page four, lines two and three by striking out the words "monthly during entire calendar year" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "in twelve monthly installments during the term of the contract."

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 3 That sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of said act are absolutely repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend sections twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten, and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the second time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second reading?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I desire to call the attention of the Senators to the fact that this is a minimum wage bill for school teachers in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I ask every Senator to read the bill between now and to-morrow and to vote for it, too, because all you men are for high wages.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second reading?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 126, entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof

The first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh sections of the bill were read and agreed to.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "Overseer of the poor" as used in this act means any person whose duty it is under existing laws to care for and relieve poor and indigent persons

Section 2 Overseers of the poor shall provide for the relief of indigent soldiers sailors and marines who served in the Civil War the War with Spain the Philippine Insurrection or the Boxer uprising in China and for the relief of the families of such persons and the families of deceased soldiers sailors and marines in the manner hereinafter provided

Section 3 The commander of any organization composed of war veterans undertaking the work of relief provided for in this act shall before any such relief is granted and annually thereafter during the month of February file with the clerk of the proper city or borough or with the overseer of poor of the proper district a notice setting forth that the organization intends to undertake the work of relief provided for by this act and the names of the commander quartermaster and relief committee of such organization

Section 4 Upon the written request of commanders and quartermasters of organizations composed of war veterans the overseers of the poor of the proper district shall furnish such sums of money as may be reasonably necessary for relief of the indigent veterans and their families and the families of deceased veterans

Section 5 Before any relief is granted in any case the commander and quartermaster of such organization shall file with the overseers of the poor a statement setting forth (a) the name and address of the person for whom relief is desired (b) if a veteran the organization that he served in (c) the length of time such person has resided within the Commonwealth (d) the cause of the indigency if practicable (e) the approximate period during which such indigency will continue (f) a certificate by the relief committee of such organization stating that an investigation of the case has been made and that it is the opinion of the committee that the person is in actual need of relief

Section 6 No relief shall be granted under this act unless the person for whom the same is requested has been a resident of this Commonwealth for at least six months At the end of the period approximated if the person is still in need of relief a new statement shall be filed

Section 7 Where no organization of veterans exists in a city or borough the proper overseers of the poor may accept the statement of the commander and quartermaster of the organization located in the nearest city or borough

The eighth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 8 If more than one such organization exists in any borough or city and such organizations have a joint or central associations the officers of such joint or central associations may make the request and file the statement required by sections four and five of this act Where more than one such organization exists in a city or borough and such organizations maintain no joint or central association the commander of each such organization shall furnish as soon as possible to each of the other organizations the names of all persons to whom relief has been granted through his organization

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 8 in line 14 by striking out the word "associations" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "association"; also in line 15 by striking out the word "associations" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "association".

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth sections of the bill were read and agreed to.

Section 9 In urgent cases any such organization which has complied with the provisions of section three of this act may advance such sums as the relief committee and commander may deem necessary not to exceed the sum of ten dollars Overseers of the poor shall reimburse any such organization upon the filing of the statement required by section five of this act

Section 10 Overseers of the poor may require the commander of any such organization to execute a bond in a reasonable sum with good security for the faithful accounting for all funds received

Section 11 Commanders of such organizations shall require vouchers from persons to whom relief is granted Such vouchers shall during the month of October of each year be open to the inspection of overseers of the poor who may require the commander or quarter master to make oath that the case in question was investigated and in his opinion was worthy of relief

Section 12 In the month of December of each year each commander shall file with the person with whom the notice required by section three was filed a detailed statement showing the names of the persons to whom relief was granted and the amounts received The statement shall be verified by oath or affirmation Any wilfully false oath or affirmation shall be perjury and punishable as such Any commander refusing to make the statement required by this section within one week after written request therefor by the person entitled thereto shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars to be recovered as sums of like amount are now by law recoverable

Section 13 Overseers of the poor are prohibited from sending indigent veterans or their families or the families of deceased veterans to any almshouses or orphan asylum without the consent of the commander or relief committee of an organization having jurisdiction as provided in this act

Section 14 Indigent veterans their families and the families of deceased veterans shall whenever practicable be provided for at their homes Indigent veterans not insane and who have no families or friends may with the consent of the overseers of the poor commander of any such organization and the veteran be sent to any soldiers' home and the transportation and other necessary expenses for such veteran shall be paid by the overseers of the poor

Section 15 Any indigent insane veteran shall upon the recommendation of the commander and relief committee of any such organization be sent to any insane asylum and be cared for as provided for indigent insane

The eighteenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 18 The Department Commander of an organization composed of war veterans shall annually on or before the fifteenth day of January report to the Governor such transactions of their respective organizations relating to the subject matter covered by this act as may be of interest to the organization and the people of the Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 18 in line 14, by striking out the figures "18" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "16".

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 155, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth

Whereas, By a concurrent resolution adopted the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen it was provided that the Governor of the Commonwealth should appoint a commission of five persons whose duty it should be to continue the work of the former commission and further investigate and examine the various laws now in effect in the several states relating to the recording of deeds mortgages and the transfer of lands the insurance of titles and the practical operation of such laws and to propose such changes in the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth as to insure the best system of recording and make report and recommendations to the next General Assembly and

Whereas In said resolution it was provided that the sum of three thousand dollars or so much thereof as might be necessary should be provided in the next general appropriation bill and

Whereas Such commission in carrying out the duties imposed by said resolution has incurred expenses which according to said resolution were authorized to be incurred therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of three thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the commission to investigate the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth in payment of the actual necessary expenses incurred by said commission

Section 2 The Auditor General is directed to draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer in favor of such commission upon the filing with the Auditor General of vouchers duly countersigned by the chairman of said commission

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND TO FURNISH LIST OF INSURANCE COMPANIES TO WHOM STATE COMPENSATION FUND INSURANCE HAS BEEN UNDERWRITTEN, WITH AMOUNT OF INSURANCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 13, 1917.

Whereas, Reports are in circulation that the Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Fund by and with the consent of the Insurance Commissioner of Pennsylvania is underwriting its compensation insurance with the London Lloyds; and

Whereas, The London Lloyds, by reason of its unwillingness to comply with the laws of the several States of the Union, is not licensed to do business in any of the Commonwealths; and

Whereas, Statements have been made that the London Lloyds is unwilling to comply with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for which said reason it is not licensed to do business in the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, All the reputable casualty insurance companies doing business, or attempting to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are duly registered; and

Whereas, The said London Lloyds, instead of being a duly incorporated insurance company is merely a mutual insurance company, whose membership consists of approximately four hundred and twenty (420) members, none of whom are either citizens of the United States or residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, It is the sense of the General Assembly that the rights of individuals intended to be protected by compensation insurance should be so protected by carrying the insurance with reputable insurance companies licensed to do business within this Commonwealth;

Therefore, be it Resolved, By the Senate (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Insurance Commissioner and the Workmen's Compensation Fund be and they are hereby directed to furnish to the General Assembly on or before the 19th day of February, 1917, a full and complete list of all the Insurance Companies to whom the State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten, together with the amounts of insurance carried with each of the said Companies.

RECESS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 12 o'clock noon.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bill of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 95 (Senate Bill No. 202), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sum as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government, when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties, or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

reported from the Committee on Judiciary Special at today's session, be read the first time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government, when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties, or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, to be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 186, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations; the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SALUS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 204, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Polyclinic and College for Graduates in Medicine.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 205, entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, for the amount of such part, if any, of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by, and paid by him to, the Treasurer of the City and Council of Philadelphia, in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.30 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, February 14, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, February 13, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Great Father in Heaven, tormented with the infirmities of the body, Thy poor miserable servant would confess his absolute trust in Thee and hereby acknowledge the great benefit of life, liberty and opportunity. May we all appreciate the great blessing attending material life to do Thy will, to serve our fellowman and to have an enlarged vision of our usefulness.

We thank Thee for civil and religious liberty and all the great institutions of our state and nation.

Give us light to seize every opportunity, to promulgate virtue, liberty, and exercise our consciences unseared, void of offense to God and man. Bless us all as we are gathered here this morning. Make Thy Word a lantern unto our feet and a light unto our paths. Establish us according to Thy law. Make us to hate evil things and love Thy commandments. Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. George W. Williams, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. SIMPSON. House Bill No. 354.

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes, by topics, of the existing laws of this Commonwealth, for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly; fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein; fixing the compensation of the assistant director; and making an appropriation therefor," fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SHUNK. House Bill No. 355.

An Act requiring dimmers on headlights of electric street cars; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Electric Railways.

By Mr. MANGAN. House Bill No. 356.

An Act to repeal sections three and four of an act approved the nineteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-three), entitled "An Act requiring employers to make report to the Department of Labor and Industry of accidents to employes, and prescribing a penalty for non-compliance therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 357.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINN. House Bill No. 358.

An Act to amend section ten of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles upon the public their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating their service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder," by providing for the payment to the several cities, boroughs, towns and townships, of fifty per centum of the registration and license fees collected under the provisions of said act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BENNINGER. House Bill No. 359.

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motion to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 360.

An Act making an appropriation to the Society of the Home for the Friendless Women and Children of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SPROWLS. House Bill No. 361.

An act making an appropriation to the Memorial Hospital Association, of Monongahela City, Washington County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 362.

An Act regulating lobbying; requiring the registration of legislative counsel and agents and regulating their activity; and prohibiting improper and corrupt lobbying.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 363.

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand, under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 364.

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures, or merchandise and fixtures not in the ordinary course of business, providing certain requirements therefor, and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer; and making their violation a misdemeanor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 365.

An Act making an appropriation to the Berwick Hospital, Berwick, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 366.

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward L. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 367.

An Act making an appropriation to Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 368.

An Act making an appropriation to the Bloomsburg Hospital, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 369.

An Act making an appropriation to the Eye and Ear Hospital, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 370.

An Act making an appropriation to the Montefiore Hospital Association of Western Pennsylvania, located at Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SHUNK. House Bill No. 371.

An Act making an apprporiation to the Corry Hospital Association, of Corry, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 372.

An Act making an appropriation to the Chester County Hospital, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. NEARY. House Bill No. 373.

An Act relating to the payment of funeral expenses of decedents by executors or administrators.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BENNETT. House Bill No. 374.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section six of Article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 375.

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten, and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven, one thousand two hundred and thirteen, and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 376.

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 377.

An Act authorizing each city in the Commonwealth to prepare, adopt and amend its own charter, regulating the preparation, adoption and amendment thereof, providing penalties for violations of the act and repealing certain laws relating to the government of cities.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. REICHENBACKER. House Bill No. 378.

An Act to provide for the selection and purchase of a site for a Cottage State Hospital for the Counties of Wayne and Pike; providing for the management of, and admission of patients to such hospital; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REICHENBACKER. House Bill No. 379.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Wayne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. REICHENBACKER. House Bill No. 380.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Wayne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. REICHENBACKER. House Bill No. 381.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Wayne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 308.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by an animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

Re-referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. SCOTT, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 339 (Senate Bill No. 89), entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. McCURDY asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague Mr. Brumbaugh on account of sickness.

Mr. ERDMAN asked and obtain leave of absence for his colleague Mr. George J. A. Miller.

Mr. BENCHOFF asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague Mr. Walter after to-day.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. WALLACE offered the following resolution, which was twice read and laid over under the rules.

In the House of Representatives, February 13, 1917.

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby instructed to report to this body not later than Tuesday, February the twenty-seventh, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the name, home address, salary and occupation of every employe of the payroll of the House of Representatives for the session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, together with the name or names if known to him of the person or persons who recommended such employes for appointment and set forth whether or not the person appointed is actually rendering the service for which he was employed.

Be it further resolved That a statement of the current expenditures of all persons employed by the House of Representatives for telephoning, traveling and any other items of expense which have been charged to the State since the beginning of the session to and including February thirteenth, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, be included in the report to be made under the direction of the resolution.

SENATE BILL NO. 1 MADE A SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 326, (Senate Bill No. 1), known as the Sproul Investigation Bill, be made a special order of business at 11.30 A. M. to-day.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 61, as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropraition Acts, page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act be and the same are hereby specifically appropriated to the several objects hereinafter named to be made in the manner prescribed by law Provided That all sums hereby appropriated shall be paid on the warrant of the Auditor General drawn upon the State Treasurer unless otherwise prescribed by law And provided further That out of the amount hereby appropriated to the Senate and House of Representatives for salaries and mileage of officers and employes there shall also be paid any increase in salaries as well as salaries and mileage of any officers and employes for the session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen as may be authorized during said session

Section 2 For the payment of the deficiencies in certain appropriations and for minor appropriations to the following named executive departments of the State government the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid in the manner prescribed by law

Auditor General's Department.

For the payment of persons employed by the Auditor General to discover prosecute and collect delinquent corporation taxes for the payment of compensation and expenses of persons appointed in pursuance of law to examine the accounts of officers or individuals receiving or disbursing moneys of the Commonwealth and for the payment of traveling expenses of the Auditor General his

deputies and traveling auditors for the purchase of patent indices records law books and other books necessary for the proper conduct of the work of the Department and the printing and issuance of laws rulings opinions et cetera of the Attorney General the payment of compensation of informants in escheats and the fees and expenses of escheats and the service of attorneys authorized by the Auditor General in connection with escheat proceedings the payment of costs in suits against delinquent dealers for mercantile and other license taxes the employment of extra clerical assistance and for the payment of postage express charges cost of filing liens and all other necessary expenses in the proper administration of the Department the sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars ($29,000.00)

Treasury Department.

For the payment of such extra clerks as the State Treasurer may find it necessary to employ for the purpose of balancing and transferring accounts making new indices rendering services made necessary by legislation enacted at the session of the Legislature of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen or rendering any other general assistance to the regular clerical force the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000)

Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure.

For the payment of the deficiency in the amount appropriated for the expenses incurred in the regulation of the practice of midwifery Act of June fifth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen Pamphlet Laws four hundred and forty-one the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary up to June fourth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

State Livestock Sanitary Board.

For the payment of a deficiency in salaries and expenses of the State Livestock Sanitary Board for the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred and sixty-four dollars and seventy-five cents ($34,164.75)

Department of Forestry.

For the payment of a deficiency in the Department of Forestry for salaries and expenses of foresters and forest rangers the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000)

Department of Health.

To the Department of Health for a deficiency for the medical inspection of the pupils of the public schools in accordance with the provisions of the School Code the sum of thirty-three thousand four hundred and one dollars ($33,401)

For the deficiency "for the payment of expenses of registration of births and deaths in cities of the first and second class in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Assembly regulating such payments" the sum of four thausand five hundred ($4,500) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary

State Highway Department

For the payment of a deficiency in the Automobile Division of the State Highway Department for salaries and other necessary expenses for the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of thirty-four thousand dollars ($34,000)

Department of Public Grounds and Buildings

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the purchase of any article of furniture furnishings stationery supplies fuel or any other matters or things and for the payment of any repairs alterations or improvements the want of which may not have been anticipated at the time of the issue of the annual schedule of supplies and which do not appear in the same and for which requisition is made on the superintendent and known as the board's general fund in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of ten thousand two hundred dollars ($10,200.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the cost of general supplies including stationery furniture fuel repairs alterations or improvements and other matters needed by the legislature the several departments boards and commissions of the state government and executive mansion set forth in and included in the general annual schedule of supplies for the state government in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the rent of offices and rooms outside of capitol buildings when necessary for the accommodation of any department board or commission of the state government in accordance with the act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven and also in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the cost of electric current gas and steam for light heat and power for the public grounds and buildings where not supplied from the capitol power plant in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the salaries of the chief and assistant engineer of the power plant and all other employes required in conducting cleaning and making repairs and everything necessary for the safety and keeping of the buildings and grounds in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment by the superintendent for any emergency supplies the want of which may not have been anticipated at the time of the issue of the annual schedule of supplies and which do not appear in the same and for which requisition shall be made upon the superintendent and for the payment by the superintendent for emergeney repairs and supplies and all temporary help for the care maintenance and preservation of the public grounds and buildings including the executive mansion in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Six Thousand Dollars ($6,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

Department of Public Printing and Binding.

For the payment of printing binding ruling et cetera the additional sum of one hundred and seventy-eight thousand nine hundred and seventy-four dollars and seventy-one cents ($178,974.71)

For the payment of paper envelopes and other supplies the additional sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00)

Department of Fisheries.

For the purpose of hatching propagating and distributing food and game fish and stocking and supplying the waters of the Commonwealth with the same the distribution of fish and employing the necessary labor and implements therefor purchasing and paying for the repairs improvements and necessary expenses to the State hatcheries the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00)

For the payment of the necessary and reasonable expenses of the Commissioner of Fisheries and other members of the Fishery Commission and office employes the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00)

For the purpose of maintaining and operating launch "Commodore Perry" on Lake Erie the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00)

For the purpose of maintaining and operating the cruiser "Anna" at Torresdale on the Delaware the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.00)

For field work gathering spawn transferring fish employing and paying the necessary labor and incidental expenses thereto the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00)

Water Supply Commission.

To the Water Supply Commission for an emergency fund for field examinations which may be necessary by reason of spring floods the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000.00)

Pennsylvania State Board of Censors of Motion Pictures.

To the State Board of Censors of Motion Pictures for the payment of a deficiency in the contingent traveling and incidental expenses the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00)

Legislative Department.

Section 3 For the payment of the deficiencies in certain appropriations and for minor appropriations to the Senate and House of Representatives the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid in the manner prescribed by law

Senate.

To the chief clerk of the Senate for the payment of the postage on the Legislative Journal bills and calendars session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of salaries and balance of salaries due the Persident pro tempore and other officers and employes of the Senate during the two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and which have not otherwise been provided for the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the mileage of the officers and employes of the Senate session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of seven hundred dollars ($700.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the incidental expenses of the Senate the six months commencing December one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the additional sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000) or so much as may be necessary to be expended by the chief clerk of the Senate who shall render to the Auditor-General accounts from time to time with proper specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts

For the payment of officers and employes of the Senate session of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen employed on the completion of the Legislative Journal work after close of said session the sum of four hundred and forty-eight dollars ($448.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the salaries and mileage session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen of such additional officers and employes of the Senate as may be authorized by resolution the sum of five thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars ($5,750) or so much thereof as may be necessary to be expended by the Chief Clerk of the Senate who shall render to the Auditor-General accounts from time to time with specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts Provided That all vouchers for salaries and mileage of officers and employes shall be certified by the President pro tempore and the Chief Clerk of the Senate

House of Representatives.

To the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives for the payment of the postage on the Legislative Journal bills and calendars session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of salaries and balances of salaries due the Speaker and other officers and employes of the House of Representatives during the two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and which have not otherwise been provided for the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the salaries of the returning officers of the House of Representatives at the beginning of the session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the incidental expenses of the House of Representatives the six months commencing December one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the additional sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to be expended by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives who shall render to the Auditor General accounts from time to time with proper specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts

Legislative Journal.

Section 4 For the payment of the person or persons appointed to index the Legislative Journal session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) in accordance with the act establishing said journal

Section 5 For the payment of the balance of the compensation allowed by law to the compiler and assistant compiler of Smull's Legislative Hand Book for the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the sum of five hundred dollars each ($1,000.00) and like amounts for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen ($1,000.00)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 134, as follows:

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster Lancaster County to sue the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster Lancaster County is authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said George C. Souder arising out of a contract for the construction and improvement of a certain section of State highway in Salisbury township Lancaster County on Route Number one hundred forty-two District Number six which road was constructed by the method known as Asphaltic Macadam on Telford Base This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleading and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 218, entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

The first section was read as follows:

Whereas By reason of the great demand by the people of this Commonwealth for the pamphlet containing the Game the Fish and the Forestry laws of this Commonwealth the many proposed changes of the same and additions thereto and that the people of the State be given the opportunity to become acquainted with these laws as quickly as possible after their enactment therefore

Section 1 Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) That the Secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners of Commonwealth be and is hereby directed to prepare the data and as soon as possible after the close of its session present the same to the Superintendent of Public Printing who shall at the expense of the State have published in pamphlet form one hundred thousand (100,000) copies of said laws together with such letter of instruction or explanation by those entrusted with the care of our game our forests and our fish as may seem necessary these pamphlets to be placed by the Division of Distribution of Documents in numbers as provided by law

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 1, line 9, by inserting after the words "Commissioners of" the word the.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 69, as follows:

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after June first Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the compensation of the chief clerk in the Department of Banking shall be two thousand dollars per annum the compensation of the five clerks shall be sixteen hundred dollars each per annum the compensation of the three stenographers shall be twelve hundred dollars each per annum and the compensation of the messenger shall be fourteen hundred dollars per annum which compensation shall be paid upon warrants drawn by the Auditor General upon the State Treasurer

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the

public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act" which reads as follows

"Section 16 Documents shall be distributed in the following manner only Personally to those entitled thereto or to their duly authorized agent Upon the requisition of any member or principal officer of the General Assembly at any time during the term of his office and document requested shall be delivered by mail or otherwise to the address of the person indicated in such requisition Due credit shall be given to the respective member or officer by stamping in the front of such document "compliments of John Doe" member or officer of the Senate (or House of Representatives as the case may be) Such stamps shall be furnished by the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings This however shall not prevent any member or officer from having one in every five or fractional part of five of his allotment of the different documents sent on requisition to his address or business address if he shall so desire The Chief Clerk of the Senate the Librarian of the Senate the Chief Clerk of the House and the Resident Clerk of the House may in their discretion requisition their documents singly or in bulk" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 16 Documents shall be distributed in the following manner only Personally to those entitled thereto or to their duly authorized agent Upon the requisition of any member or principal officer of the General Assembly at any time during the term of his office any document requested shall be delivered by mail or otherwise to the address of the person indicated in such requisition Due credit shall be given to the respective member or officer by stamping in the front of such document "compliments of John Doe" member or officer of the Senate (or House of Representatives as the case may be Such stamps shall be furnished by the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings This however shall not prevent any member or officer from having all or any part of hi allotment of the different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire The Chief Clerk of the Senate the Librarian of the Senate the Chief Clerk of the House and the Resident Clerk of the House may in their discretion requisition their documents singly or in bulk.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 9, by striking out the word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word any.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

nd said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 7, as follows:

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of same That the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for payment of the salaries of eight shore employes including nurse is hereby transferred to the following named funds and in the amounts respectively indicated namely

For the payment of the salaries of nine employes on the boat the sum of eight hundred dollars ($800)

For the maintenance of the office rent care of office stationery telephone and telegraph service and for like expenses at the office at Marcus Hook the sum of two hundred dollars ($200)

Section 2 The Auditor General shall draw his warrants and the State Treasurer shall make payments of said amounts accordingly

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of forty-five thousand nine hundred ninety-two dollars and ninety-one cents ($45,992,91) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department for the purpose of constructing and improving that part of the State highway Route numbered two hundred and three located and running between the southern boundary of the borough of Kittanning and the northern boundary of Ford city in the County of Armstrong The amount hereinabove mentioned is appropriated from funds heretofore appropriated for State-aid highway purposes and now available for the purpose of constructing and improving State-aid highways in the County of Armstrong

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 27, by omitting "and now available for the purpose."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The preamble was read as follows:

Whereas The State Highway Department by an agreement wtih the county commissioners of Armstrong County and the supervisors of certain of the townships in such county agreed to build a part of the State Highway route numbered two hundred and three located as hereinafter described which State highway was to be constructed and improved in the method provided by existing law for the construction and improvement of State highways in the same manner as State-aid highways and

Whereas Subsequent to such agreement it was held in an opinion of the Attorney General that the construction and improvement of all State highways constructed and improved in the same manner as State-aid highways must be paid for from funds appropriated for the construction and improvement of State highways and

Whereas Under the above mentioned agreement it was the intention of the State Highway Department to construct and improve said road from funds appropriated for State-aid highway purposes and at that time available for State-aid highway purposes in the County of Armstrong and

Whereas Owing to the defect in the law and the inability of the State Highway Department to use said funds then available from Armstrong County for the construction and improvement of said particular State highway said agreement between the County of Armstrong and the township authorities and the State of Pennsylvania has never been consummated therefore

On the question,

Will the House agree to the preamble?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Preamble, page 2, line 8, by striking out "from Armstrong" and inserting in lieu thereof for Armstrong.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the preamble as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 162, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk township Warren County Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of four hundred ($400.00) dollars is hereby specifically appropriated for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen to be paid to the treasurer of Elk township Warren County Pennsylvania for the purpose of maintaining in good repair the public roads and highways passing through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in said township Said money shall be paid on warrant drawn on the State Treasurer by the Auditor General and shall be disbursed under the direction of the supervisors of Elk township

Section 2 The sum of five hundred ($500.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the treasurer of Elk township Warren County Pennsylvania for the purpose of building retaining walls to protect the public roads and highways in the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in said township from damage and destruction by floods caused by the overflowing of Cornplanter Run Said amount herein appropriated shall be paid on warrant of the Auditor General drawn on the State Treasurer and shall be disbursed under the directions of the supervisors of Elk township

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 37, as follows:

An Act to further amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act approved the seventh day of February one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section sixteen of an act approved the seventh day of February one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended by an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to amend sections one ten fourteen sixteen eighteen twenty-one twenty-three twenty-five twenty-eight thirty-one thirty-four thirty-five thirty-seven thirty-eight and forty-two of an act entitled 'An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor' approved the seventh day of February Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five by further regulating said Department and by further regulating the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" which as amended reads as follows

"Section 16 The book paper shall be of the following size namely twenty-six by forty inches It shall be used for the printing of the laws journals documents Smull's Legislative Hand Book and all reports and other matter printed in book form except the archives and any other work of such character that the aforesaid size will not be in harmony with the same and the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding may increase the size or decrease the size of the paper required for such work as in his judgment will be best suited for the character of the same The paper on which the bills of the Senate and House of Representatives shall be printed shall weigh twenty-six pounds to the ream and measure seventeen by twenty-six inches Paper for blank books books of record and miscellaneous printing shall be of a size weight and quality best suited for such work and all envelopes cardboard parchment and other supplies shall be of the best quality" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 16 The book paper shall be of the following size namely twenty-six by forty inches It shall be used for the printing of the laws journals documents Smull's Legislative Hand Book and all reports and other matter printed in book form except the archives and any other work of such character that the aforesaid size will not be in harmony with the same and the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding may increase the size or decrease the size of the paper required for such work as in his judgment will be best suited for the character of the same The paper on which the bills of the Senate and House of Representatives shall be printed shall weigh twenty-six pounds to the ream and measure nineteen by twenty-four inches Bills shall have a margin of one inch on each side of the printed matter Paper for blank-books books of record and miscellaneous printing shall be of a size weight and quality best suited for such work and all envelopes cardboard parchment and other supplies shall be of the best quality

Section 2 Section twenty-five of said act as amended which reads as follows

"Section 25 The laws journals reports messages and documents shall be printed on paper twenty-six by forty inches in octavo form and in neat ten-point type Each page to contain as near as may be one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six ems the lines to be of thirty-two ems wide by fifty-eight ems in length including head and foot-lines except rule-and-figure or column-work which may be in eight-point or smaller type (provided same cannot be set in ten-point) whenever such work shall exceed one page and in no case hereafter shall any tables or rule-and-figure work be printed except in consecutive pages The page size of all reports shall be six by nine inches when trimmed The bills to be folio form in twelve point type each full page to contain not less than thirty lines thirty-seven ems twelve-point in width with a twelve-point slug between each line and to have folios on right-hand page

"The calendars Same size as the bills in ten-point type to contain columns as follows

"First file folio second number of bill whether of the House of Representatives or Senate third title of the bill fourth three separate columns one for each reading and action thereon

"There shall be printed as many of each Senate and House bill and each Senate and House calendar as may be ordered in writing by the chief clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives with additional copies for the several State departments which shall be delivered by the contractor or contractors as follows

"Fourteen copies of each Senate and House bill and four copies of each Senate and House calendar for the Executive fifty copies of each Senate and House bill and three copies of each Senate and House calendar for the Secretary of the Commonwealth and two copies of each House and Senate bill and one copy of each Senate and House calendar to each of the following departments Adjutant-General Agriculture Attorney-General Auditor-General Banking State Library Commission of Soldiers' Orphan School Fisheries Highway Mines Factory Inspector Forestry Insurance Internal Affairs Grounds and Buildings Public Instruction Public Printing State Treasury Health Railroad Commission State Police Executive Controller and fifty of each Senate and House bill and fifty of each Senate and House calendar to the Legislative Reference Bureau The Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is hereby authorized to increase this number in order to provide a similar number for any new departments that may hereafter be created" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 25 The laws journals reports messages and documents shall be printed on paper twenty-six by forty inches in octavo form and in neat ten-point type Each page to contain as near as may be one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six ems the lines to be of thirty-two ems wide by fifty-eight ems in length including head and foot-lines except rule-and-figure or column work which may be in eight-point or smaller type (provided same cannot be set in ten-point) whenever such work shall exceed one page and in no case hereafter shall any tables or rule-and-figure-work be printed except in consecutive pages The page size of all reports shall be six by nine inches when trimmed The bills shall be in folio form in ten-point type on twelve-point slug Each full page to contain not less than twenty-two lines including folio twenty-five ems pica in width with a twelve-point slug between each line and to have folios on the right of page

The calendars Same size as the bills in ten-point type twenty ems pica in width to contain columns as follows

First file folio second number of bill whether of the House of Representatives or Senate third title of the bill

There shall be printed as many of each Senate and House bill and each Senate and House calendar as may be ordered in writing by the chief clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives with additional copies for the several State departments which shall be delivered by the contractor or contractors as follows

Fourteen copies of each Senate and House bill and four copies of each Senate and House calendar for the Executive fifty copies of each Senate and House bill and three copies of each Senate and House calendar for the Secretary of the Commonwealth and two copies of each House and Senate bill and one copy of each Senate and House calendar to each of the following departments Adjutant-General Agriculture Attorney-General Auditor-General Banking State Library Commission of Soldiers' Orphan School Fisheries Highway Mines Factory Inspector Forestry Insurance Internal Affairs Grounds and Buildings Public Instruction Public Printing State Treasury Health Railroad Commission State Police Executive Controller and fifty of each Senate and House bill and fifty of each Senate and House calendar to the Legislative Reference Bureau The Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is hereby authorized to increase this number in order to provide a similar number for any new departments that may hereafter be created

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia county for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby granted to the purchase by the government of the United States of certain tracts of land in all approximately twenty-eight acres in extent adjoining the Frankford Arsenal in the City and County of Philadelphia for an addition to the said arsenal said tracts of land being more particularly described as follows

One beginning at a point in the middle of Tacony street corner of land of Kensington and Tacony railroad at the distance of two hundred and two feet eight inches northeast from the northeast line of Sanger street Thence extending south-eastwardly along said land on a line curving toward the right with a radius of fourteen hundred and eighteen feet a distance of one hundred and thirty-two feet and three-eighths of an inch to a point thence still along said land the following three courses and distances (1) South thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East thirteen hundred and twenty-seven feet nine and one-fourth inches to a point (2) On a line curving toward the right with a radius of four hundred and sixty-three feet a distance of four hundred and ninety-one feet nine and one-half inches and (3) South twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West three hundred and twenty-six feet six inches to a corner in the lines of land of the said railroad and the United States of America "Frankford Arsenal" thence along the said last mentioned land the following three courses and distances North thirty-nine degrees fifty-seven minutes fifty-seven seconds West nine hundred and six feet and two and three-eighths inches to a point north twenty-five degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West four hundred and eighty-nine feet and eleven and seven-eighth inches to a point and north twenty-eight degrees fifty-nine minutes fifty-seven seconds West six hundred and twenty-five feet eight and one-eighth inches to the said middle line of Tacony street and thence along the same North fifty-four degrees twenty-seven minutes three seconds East four hundred and eighty-seven feet and nine inches to the place of beginning containing twenty-three acres and seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-five ten thousandths of an acre more or less

One other beginning at a point on the southeasterly line of the said Kensington and Tacony railroad and a point on the southwesterly line of land now or late of Edwin H. Fitler thence by land of said Edwin H. Fitler south thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds Each one hundred and ninety-five feet nine and five-eighths inches to a point in the Bulkhead line of the River Delaware approved by the War Department of the said United States of America on the fourth day of September one thousand nine hundred and eight thence by said line south thirty-four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds west five hundred and forty-one feet and one-eighth of an inch to a point thence north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds west forty feet five and seven-eighths inches to a point a corner of land of the said United States of America and thence north thirty-nine degrees fifty seven minutes fifty-seven seconds west sixty-three feet five and one-fourth inches to a point in the said southeasterly line of said Kensington and Tacony railroad and thence along the same north twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds East six hundred and twenty-eight feet ten and seven-eighths inches to place of beginning containing one acre and eight thousand six hundred and thirty ten-thousandths of an acre of land

And the other of them beginning at a point in said bulkhead line first above mentioned and the southwesterly line of land of the said Edwin H. Fitler Thence south thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East three hundred and four feet five and one-eighth inches to a point in the pierhead line approved by the said War Department on the date aforesaid thence along the same south thirty-four degrees four minutes forty-four seconds West two hundred and sixty-two feet nine and three-eighths inches to a point thence still along said pierhead line north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds West three hundred and thirty-three feet four and one-fourth inches to a point in the said bulkhead line and thence along the same North four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds East five hundred and forty-one feet and one-eighth of an inch to the place of beginning containing two acres and six thousand two hundred and eighty ten-thousandths of an acre more or less

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, my question of personal privilege is this: I presented a bill to this House on January 23rd. and in the meantime, through trickery and treachery, that same bill has been deliberately stolen and is up before you to-day. I raise this point, gentlemen, not for myself particularly, but because your interests and the courtesy of this House to its members are at stake, and if we permit, as members of this body, to let legislation proceed as it is at the present time without any protest, God knows what will happen to all of us members before the ending of this session. This particular bill relates to an arsenal that is in my particular district. For thirty years I have lived within a hundred feet of this arsenal, and I have seen it grow from a few hundred people employed there until at the present time ——

The SPEAKER. I do not think that under a question of personal privilege the gentleman has a right to discuss the bill. If the gentleman desires to discuss the bill he can do so when the proper time arrives. So far as discussing the bill is concerned, I do not think it is in order at the present time.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, if that be your decision, I will bow to it; but I only want to explain to the members the reason why this thing has been done.

The SPEAKER. I desire to state to the House and to the gentleman from Philadelphia that he will have ample opportunity to discuss the bill and its merits, but I will have to rule that it is out of order to discuss the merits of a bill under a question of personal privilege.

Mr. DUNN. I will bow to your decision at the present time, Mr. Speaker, but the members of this House are going to know the full particulars in regard to this bill before they vote on it.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 3, line 9, by striking out "each" and inserting in lieu thereof East.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section and title were separately read and agreed to, as follows:

Section 2 Exclusive jurisdiction over the lands so purchased is hereby ceded to the United States by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and said lands shall be exempt from the payment of all taxes State and local

Provided That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall retain a concurrent jurisdiction with the United States over the lands so acquired by the United States for the purpose of serving all civil processes and Provided further That such criminal process as may issue under the authority of the Commonwealth against any person or persons

charged with crimes committed without the area so acquired may be executed therein in the same manner as though this cession had not been granted

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to make a motion.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Dunn, offers a motion which will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the motion as follows:

Moved that House Bill No. 265, File Folio 91 be recommitted to the Committee on Judiicary General for purposes of amendment.

Mr. GLASS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this bill that is before you to-day and which you are about to proceed to pass on second reading is one or a direct copy of one which your humble servant presented on January 23rd, from my district. This institution, these buildings, etc., are in my district. For thirty years I have lived there and I have seen that property grow from two hundred employes until up to the present time there are twenty-six hundred people working there. For years we have been trying to enlarge that arsenal because of congestion and because it has been used for the manufacture of explosives, and owing to the congestiveness of the works these twenty-six hundred people are at any moment liable to a disastrous explosion and likely to be blown into atoms. For years we have been appealing to Congress, a Republican Congress, I want to say to my Democratic friends, and I want them to know this: that we have been appealing to Republican Congresses of the Government to buy this land, so that improvements might be made and the buildings enlarged by this additional ground for this great manufacturing ammunitions plant. They gave a deaf ear to our bill until this time of preparedness came along. The great cry then was raised that this Government is not prepared for war and the Democratic Congress in the session at the close, on July 1st, 1916, made an appropriation of $125,000 to purchase this twenty-six acres of ground. That Democratic Congress also allowed $700,000 for buildings. That same Democratic Congress appropriated $10,000,000 for munitions, high explosives and small arms munitions. The Secretary of War then appealed to the Commandant at the Arsenal to get busy and as soon as the Legislature convened to have a bill passed ceding jurisdiction of the Government, which is required by the Constitution of our great country. Immediately the Commanding Officer of that Arsenal sent for me and showed me a draft which had been prepared by the United States District Attorney, Mr. Kane, and after consulting with him on that draft, I came over here from the City of Philadelphia and on the twenty-third day of January, after the reconvening of our wonderful recess of three weeks, I presented that bill with all honor and with all fairness and then after hearing of explosions almost daily in that arsenal and for humanity's sake we should have had the wishes of any man or any chairman of a committee of this House to rush that bill through so that the powers could be given to the United States Government to proceed. I was sick immediately after I presented that bill for a whole week. The next week I came up here and I found that the bill had been presented to the Committee on Judiciary Special. I went to the Chairman of the committee, a man whom I have always considered to be my friend, as I am from Philadelphia, and I didn't think it possible that any factional politics would enter into such a meritorious bill. I went to that gentleman and I said, "You have a certain bill in your committee; a very important bill for this Government, and I would ask you to see that that bill is reported out immediately because we know not what time or what day, through the congestion of that arsenal, with twenty-six hundred employes, they may be blown to atoms." He said, "There is no hurry for that bill." I told him again the condition there and he turned to me on the floor of this House and he said, "Jim, you have been a friend of mine, I have considered you a friend but I don't want to give you any false encouragement;" and he used terms to which I have not been accustomed in declaring that no bill would come out of that committee unless it has the O. K. of Jim McNichol, without honoring him with the name of Senator, to which he is entitled. I doubt whether Senator McNichol made any such remark to him, that any bill should not go through before he O. K.'ed it. He is too broad-minded, he is too honest, he is too fair, even to his political enemies, to make any statement like that. I walked away from the man because a man who is honored by this great Assembly as chairman of a committee, who would speak in that way to any humble member of this House, who is only asking for his rights, I thought, as I think now, was not worthy, in my mind, to be considered any longer a friend of mine in legislative duties. What happened? My friends in the committee, two or three of them, I judge, went into that committee last Tuesday a week and brought up this bill before that committee. Out of courtesy he could not turn the bill down because there was a resolution in the committee that it should be handed to a sub-committee and that sub-committee got that bill out and it came on the floor of this House. My friends came out here and said, "Mr. Dunn, we have your bill here. We see that it is a meritorious bill and we propose to go back into the general committee and recommend reporting it out with a favorable recommendation." Then they went around and got some of the members, as many as they could get, and secured their signatures—twelve out of thirty-five, to the following paper, dated February 6, 1917:

"To Chairman Isadore Stern:

"The Sub-committee of the Judiciary Special Comimttee having favorably considered House Bill No. 3, File Folio No. 7, we, the undersigned members of this committee on Judiciary Special, request you that the same be reported out as amended."

This was signed by twelve members.

Last Tuesday, in the morning, there was another bill presented here. In the afternoon, at the close of the session, that bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special and immediately the Chairman of that committee calls that committee together. The report of the sub-committee goes in, and they say they have another bill bearing on the same thing, a substitute against the wishes of that sub-committee. They substituted a bill, identically the same. I don't want to place it at the door of my good friend from Philadelphia (Mr. Perry) who presented the bill. I have considered him a friend now in these sessions for two terms or more, and I don't think that he could be used to serve, as, what is commonly called "the goat", in order that it might be brought out in this disreputable manner, carrying a bill through a committee and bringing it out in his name. That bill is a copy of my bill, word for word, as it was taken over to the Reference Bureau. It is a copy of the pink bill of my bill, and I ask those in authority over there to bring it here and tell whether my good friend from Philadelphia brought it in. They said he did not. They said if that bill went out in that man's name that man must request us to make the copy of that bill.

My good friends, if he, a friend of mine, was so much interested in that bill would have come to me as a friend I would have cheerfully, willingly, said to my friend, that if you are anxious to report that bill out take it and report it out for humanity's sake but don't do it in a submarine way in order to pull it over one of your friends who has been a member of this House for three terms. Now, my friends, you have been brought to the position of almost passing the bill on second reading. When I went home during the week my thoughts rested on my good friend's mind, whether he would not see the light of day, whether he would not consider to me, as I would to him, such legislation that has been presented. I, as a member, would never have gone into his district to even put in an appropriation bill that might be presented to me, I care not from whom. The only order that I would take, my friends, is from you as the representatives of the people of this Commonwealth, and I would not go into that district. But what is on the records to-day? You are about to pass it on second reading and the bill as it stands to-day is defective. I hold from the United States District Attorney the deed for that property to show that I have been honest and fair, and I have taken that deed and the

United States Government requested that the description in that deed must correspond to the description in the bill, and I have compared it, word for word, and there are at least three or four corrections that ought to be made in that bill, that will make it perfect and compare with the description of the grant; and it is going to place you, my friends, if you permit this bill to go to-day and pass as it is, it is going to place you, my Democratic friends, on the other side. I want to say to you, those who have been here in the session of 1913, those who have been here in the session of 1915, know that the only legislation that I put in this House was good, clean, honest legislation for the benefit and honor and help of some poor unfortunate. In the session of 1911 one of our members had only put in one bill, a little appropriation bill in his county, and he was unable to get it out of that Appropriation Committee and he came to me—a Democrat—I know no politics in that body; I came a servant of these people, and we should all be broad-minded men instead of getting down into petty politics, instead of trying to bring Philadelphia politics up here for the purpose of washing the dirty linen. My friends, you country members, ought to call a halt to-day and say such things should not be done. I went to the committee and said my friend on the Democratic side has a little appropriation bill in there; would you kindly put it out; the only bill that he presented; two weeks from now we will adjourn; he will go back to his people ashamed to face them because he was unable to get an appropriation bill out of that committee. I went to the chairman and the chairman told me, yes, and inside of five minutes I had my Democratic friend's bill out of the committee and in three days' time it had passed through the House, went over to the Senate and finally became a law. That shows I have no feeling, partisan feeling or factional feeling when legislation of merit is before this body, and if you vote on this bill to pass this down, my friends, in the defective way as it is—the sponsor of the bill don't know the corrections to be made and it places the United States Government down on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania where they think the widest minded and best men and most careful men are selected to come here to this Legislature for the purpose of legislating in the interests of the common people ,the great Democratic government to-day. Let me tell you further, my friends, on this: For the past three years the government of the United States has been trying to find a way to take the arsenal away from the City of Philadelphia. They say it is too close to the seashore, too close to the coast. Those great guns that they are manufacturing in Europe to-day, throwing high explosive ammunition from ten to fifteen miles, can in a very short time destroy that entire plant, and they have been trying to take the plant away and place it in the western part of our country for protection. But we convinced them that it was necessary and they have given us this money, $10,000,000, to be spent in the interest of the working people of Philadelphia, and then through some petty politics—I know not why this thing should be done, but it must be some petty politics, underhand on this, which the members of this House should not tolerate. We stand here for the good of our country; we stand here for the good of our State. I think every man here is broad enough and is wide enough and is generous enough at this time to stop any high-handed proceeding if we are going to continue through the session of this body; and I ask you, my friends, at this time for myself, for my own district, for my own people in the district and for you, who it might strike sometime later if you don't put your stamp of disapproval on it now, I ask you now to support this motion so that we can get it in the right way and in the safe way in the name of this great Commonwealth. (applause)

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia (Mr. Dunn).

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia (Mr. Dunn) permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, yes sir.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the gentleman whether there are any corrections of any serious consequence to be made in the bill as it now stands on second reading?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, there are.

Mr. BEYER. Then, Mr. Speaker, acting upon the statement of the honorable gentleman from Philadelphia and in justice to him, to the House and to the bill itself, I would ask that his motion to recommit be sustained by the House.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. At this time I would call the attention of the House to the fact that under the motion just carried this bill goes back to the committee from which it came. I don't want any misunderstanding about it.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would just like to say a word about this bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is out of order. The bill has been recommitted and he cannot now speak on it. The gentleman has the right, however, to speak on a question of personal privilege if he so desires.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, my proposition is that if the gentleman from Philadelphia (Mr. Dunn) who has preceded me is right and explosions are occurring daily and it is so important to the United States government that this bill be passed granting authority to it to buy land adjacent to the arsenal, that he is only delaying and fostering the evils that he speaks of in having this bill recommitted.

The SPEAKER. I would state to the House that both the remarks of the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Dunn and the remarks of the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, under the question of personal privilege—they did not confine themselves to the question of personal privilege but entered into a discussion of the bill. The Chair did not like to interrupt the gentleman but the Chair will have to insist upon the rules of the House being rigidly adhered to hereafter. There can be no discussion of a bill had under a question of personal privilege.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 175, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the collection revision indexing and proof-reading of the material contained in the pamphlet known as "The Game Fish and Forestry Laws" of this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of three hundred dollars is herewith specifically appropriated to the use of the secretary of the Game Commission of Pennsylvania to pay for the services to be rendered in collecting revising indexing and proof-reading the material to be published in the said "Game Fish and Forestry Laws" for the year nineteen hundred and seventeen as directed by a joint resolution of the Senate and House of Represntatives same to be paid from the Resident Hunters' License Fund

Payment of this amount to be made upon proof rendered to the Superintendent of State Printing that said pamphlet was published as directed by said joint resolution

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 223, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County

Whereas The General Assembly by enactments of the eighteenth of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six and its supplements of the tenth of February one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two and the twelfth of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and the seventh day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five and the third day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and supplement thereto on the twenty-second day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven has established schools and made appropriation for the encouragement and education among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County and

Whereas The appropriation provided for by the enactment of the tenth of April one thousand nine hundred and five as amended by the enactment of the thirteenth of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven expired on

the first Monday of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and it is deemed wise to extend further aid on the part of this Commonwealth for the maintenance of said schools and the encouragement of education among said Cornplanter Indians therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the annual sum of six hundred dollars ($600) be and the same is hereby specifically appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to be paid to the county superintendent of schools of Warren county on warrant drawn on the State Treasurer by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction which money shall be disbursed by the said superintendent of Warren county in such manner as shall best promote the cause of education among the Cornplanter Indians Provided That the appropriation under this act shall commence with the first Monday of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen at which time the last preceding appropriation act for such purposes expired and shall only continue in force for the period of ten years from that day and shall terminate on the first Monday of June one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 32, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars ($32,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania the same being maintenance deficiency for the current fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 85, as follows:

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporation organized under the laws of this State is entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 90, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs" which reads as follows

"Section 1 No burgess shall hold any other borough office or appointment during the terms for which he is elected nor be eligible to succeed himself he shall not be a member of nor preside at the meetings of the council except at provided in section three article one of this chapter" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 No burgess shall hold any other borough office or appointment during the term for which he is elected but he shall be eligible to succeed himself he shall not be a member or nor preside at the meetings of the council except as provided in section three article one of this chapter

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 54, as follows:

A Joint Resolution for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and a provisional brigade selected for that purpose

Whereas The Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly by concurrent resolution approved by the Governor on the ninth day of January one thousand nine hundred and seventeen authorized the Governor to provide for the participation in the inaugural parade at Washington District of Columbia by the Commander-in-Chief and Staff and not exceeding one brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania therefore

Resolved By the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly that the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated and made immediately available to defray the expenses of participation by the Commander-in-Chief and Staff and a provisional brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia on March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and for which the Auditor General is authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the State Treasurer in favor of the Adjutant General The expenditures from this appropriation shall be for transportation subsistence at the rate of one dollar per day for two days for each officer and enlisted man horse hire quarters music and proper incidental expenses to be apportioned and paid by the Adjutant General upon specifically itemized vouchers filed with the Auditor General any unexpended balance to be returned to the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 87, as follows:

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally due the said William H. Heard for personal injuries sustained by the said William H. Heard upon property owned by or

subject to the maintenance supervision and control of the Commonwealth or its agency the Valley Forge Park Commission through the negligence of officers and employes of the Commonwealth or of the said agency

This suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleadings and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available were the suit one between individuals

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases in which the period of two years the limitation of the warrants of the duplicates of the county State dog poor road city township ward school and borough tax collectors have expired and in case where the power and authority of said tax collectors have expired or shall expire during the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen by virtue of the expiration of their terms of office and said tax collector or collectors have or shall become personally liable for the taxes contained in such duplicates and warrants or any part thereof by reason of the personal payment or otherwise by the said tax collector or collectors of the said taxes or any part thereof without having recovered or collected the same from the person or persons against whom they have been levied and assessed or without having recovered or collected the same from the person or persons owning the property against which the said taxes have been levied and assessed—the said duplicates and warrants and the powers and authority of the said tax collectors in all such cases are hereby revived and extended for another period of two years in the passage of this act and the said tax collector or collectors their executors or administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the said surety or sureties have paid the said taxes are hereby empowered to proceed and collect said taxes from all such persons who have not paid them residing in said district within which said taxes are assessed as well as from all persons who may remove or have removed from said city ward township or townships or boroughs and have neglected to pay the taxes as aforesaid assessed with like effect as if said warrant or warrants had not expired by the limitation of the two years as aforesaid or the term of office of said tax collector had not expired Provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to warrants issued prior to the year one thousand eight hundred ninety-four and that nothing in this act shall release any bondsman or security Provided That this act shall not apply to cities having special laws on this subject Provided also That no collector or the sureties thereof who take advantage of this act shall be permitted to plead the statute of limitations in any action brought to recover the amount of any duplicate or warrant so extended or renewed Provided further That no statute of limitations shall prevent the collection of any tax for which the warrants and powers and authorities of the said tax collectors have been so as aforesaid extended renewed and revised

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 11, by striking out "haveing" and inserting in lieu thereof "having."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 17, by striking out the word "in" and inserting in lieu thereof "after."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 279 (Senate Bill No. 18), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, February 13, 1917.

Whereas, Reports are in circulation that the Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Fund by and with the consent of the Insurance Commissioner of Pennsylvania is underwriting its compensation insurance with the London Lloyds; and

Whereas, The London Lloyds, by reason of its unwillingness to comply with the laws of the several States of the Union, is not licensed to do business in any of the Commonwealths; and

Whereas, Statements have been made that the London Lloyds is unwilling to comply wtih the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for which said reason it is not licensed to do business in the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, All the reputable casualty insurance companies doing business, or attempting to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are duly registered; and

Whereas, The said London Lloyds, instead of being a duly incorporated insurance company is merely a mutual insurance company whose membership consists of approximately four hundred and twenty (420) members, none of whom are either citizens of the United States or residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, It is the sense of the General Assembly that the rights of individuals intended to be protected by compensation insurance should be so protected by carrying the insurance with reputable insurance companies licensed to do business within this Commonwealth;

Therefore, be it Resolved, By the Senate (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Insurance Commissioner and the Workmen's Compensation Fund be and they are hereby directed to furnish to the General Assembly on or before the 19th day of February, a full and complete list of all the Insurance Companies to whom the State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten, together with the amounts of insurance carried with each of the said Companies.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution of the House of Representatives as follows:

Whereas, There has been no comprehensive revenue legislation enacted in Pennsylvania in the last sixteen years, and the amounts available for the public schools and public roads of the Commonwealth have not been increased in proportion to the increase in the general State revenue or the growth of the State in population and wealth, and there is now a great public demand for better and more efficient schools and for the improvement and better maintenance of the highways.

Therefore be it Resolved, (if the Senate concur) That a joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, to be known as The Committee on Revenue, be and the same is hereby created. Said Committee to consist of the Chairmen of the standing Committees of Finance, Public Roads and Highways, Appropriations and Education, on the part of the Senate, and of the Chairmen of the standing Committees of Ways and Means, Public Roads and Highways, Appropriations and Education on the part of the House of Representatives, with the President Pro Tem of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives members ex-officio.

The duty and purpose of the said Committee shall be to obtain full information of the needs of revenue for the ensuing two years, and the sources wherefrom increased revenue may be secured by just and equitable taxation, and to submit to both branches of the General Assembly their findings and suggestions so that the demands of the people for better public schools and public highways may be realized.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The SPEAKER. The hour of 11.30 A. M. having arrived, the House will proceed to the consideration of House Bill No. 326 (Senate Bill No. 1), set for this hour.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 326 (Senate Bill No. 1), entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

The first section was read as follows:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

Whereas, Statements have been made by reputable citizens and the responsible press of this Commonwealth alleging mal-administration on the part of public officers by their gross extravagance, by their misuse of public funds, by their continued absence from their respective offices, by their failure to properly discharge duties imposed upon them by statute, by their wilful, malicious and unnecessary delay in the transaction of public business, by their intimidation and coercion of employes and business interests by their misuse of appointive, administrative and regulative authority, by their alleged bribery in bargaining and selling as rewards for votes of members of the General Assembly offices and positions created by the public and supported by the public for the transaction of public business, by perjury on the part of certain officials in accepting public offices from which they have knowingly disqualified themselves by violating the Corrupt Practices Act of this Commonwealth, by repugnant and flagrant political activity on the part of semi-judicial officers, by the encroachment of the Executive upon the Legislative Branch of the Government, and

Whereas, Such officers debauch, defame and disgrace the fair name of this Commonwealth, demoralize the public service by their malfeasance and hold up to ridicule its citizenship, and

Whereas, The above-named charges and allegations concerning the conduct of public business by its recognized officials and subordinates have so aroused public sentiment concerning the administration of the affairs of this Commonwealth as to demand a full, free, unobstructed, comprehensive and impartial investigation of the public business; now, therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That a joint committee consisting of three (3) members of the Senate, one of whom shall be of a minority political party to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and four (4) members of the House, one of whom shall be a minority political party, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, be created for the purpose of making a full, free, unobstructed, comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges, and

Be it Further Resolved, That said joint committee is hereby directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor to hold such and as many hearings as it may deem necessary, to summon witnesses to further the purposes of this investigation, to issue subpoenas, administer oaths and compel the attendance of such witnesses, and the production of all such books, bills, checks, checkbooks, papers, minutes, records, vouchers, agreements and all each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent or germain to the inquiry, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the said joint committee shall be vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and all Acts of Assembly can confer upon such committee for the accomplishment of its purposes, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the said joint committee shall be authorized to employ auditors, accountants, counsel learned in the law, stenographers, clerks, messengers, investigators and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon said committee and to further the inquiry by them to be made, the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate is hereby directed to attend said joint committee, to serve all subponeas issued by it and generally to enforce all the orders which said joint committee is hereby authorized to make, and

Be it Further Resolved, That said joint committee shall from time to time report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as the members deem expedient, to the end that proper legislation may be enacted to remedy and prevent such abuse as may be found to exist and that said joint committee shall also be empowered to certify to the prosecuting officer or officers of the proper jurisdiction the proceedings of the committee, setting forth any violation or violations of law committed within their respective jurisdiction for such action as the law provides, and

Be it Further Resolved, That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person giving evidence before said joint committee tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in the corrupt practices above mentioned should be indicted and prosecuted for the offense disclosed by such evidence or admission so given or made by him or her, and

Be it Further Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to defray the expenses necessarily incurred by said joint committee in the discharge of the duties imposed upon it, and that payment shall be made on order of the Chairman of said joint committee and on warrant of the Auditor General in the manner now prescribed by law.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

That Joint Resolution No. 1, file folio 121, be amended as follows:

By adding after the last word on the ninth line of page two the following words:

"Whereas, The honesty and integrity of certain members of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth and the Senior United States Senator from this Commonwealth have been attacked by persons prominent in the public service and by the public press, it having been charged that these legislative representatives of the people have been, and, in fact, are, the representatives and servitors of special interests seeking legislation to promote their selfish purposes rather than the public good, that some of these legislative representatives have been guilty of all the crimes in the political calendar, that a member of the State Senate was financially interested in the defeat of proposed legislation and that large sums of money were contributed by these special interests to secure the election of a United States Senator and members of the General Assembly in 1914 and 1916 as a consideration for the defeat of legislation to which these Special Interests were opposed, which contributions were not accounted for as is required by the corrupt practices acts of this Commonwealth, and

"Whereas, This General Assembly cannot permit to go unchalleneged the libeler and slanderer, or unpunished the public official who, if the charges be true, has so basely and wantonly betrayed the people of the Commonwealth, and"

And further, by adding after the word "business" on line 19 of page 2 the following:

"And whereas, Such investigation should be conducted by men of whose fairness there can be no possible suspicion, whose eminence, worth and integrity as men and citizens are a guarantee of the fairness, impartiality and thoroughness of such investigation."

And further, by striking out all after the word "met" in line 23 on page 2, down to and including the word "and" on line 22 on page 4, and substituting therefor the following:

"1. That the Honorable John Stewart, of Franklin County; the Honorable Edwin S. Stuart, of Philadelphia; the Honorable Mayer Sulzberger, of Philadelphia; the Honorable William A. Glasgow and General Albert J. Logan, be, and they are hereby constituted a Commission to make a

full, free, thorough, comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges, and the implications and intendments thereof, and all matters, facts, circumstances and things, directly or indirectly connected therewith.

2. That the said Commission be and it hereby is directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor, to hold such and as many hearings as may be necessary, to summon witnesses to further the purposes of this investigation; to issue subpoenas, administer oaths, and compel the attendance of such witnesses and the production of all such books, bills, papers, minutes, records, vouchers, agreements, and of each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent and germane to the inquiry.

3. That the said Commission be, and it hereby is vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and all Acts of Assembly can confer on such Commission for the accomplishment of its purposes.

4. That the said Commission be, and it hereby is authorized to employ auditors, accountants, counsel learned in the law, stenographers, clerks, messengers, investigators, and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon it, and to further the inquiry by it to be made. The Commission is hereby authorized to appoint a marshal or marshals to attend it, to serve subpoenas issued by it, and generally to enforce all the orders which it is hereby authorized to make.

5. Said Commission shall, on or before June 1, 1917, report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as it deems expedient, to the end that proper legislation may be enacted, to remedy and prevent such abuses as may be found to exist, and said Commission is hereby empowered to certify to the prosecuting officer or officers of the proper jurisdiction its proceedings, setting forth any violation or violations of law committed within their respective jurisdictions for such action as may be provided by law.

6. That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person giving evidence before said Commission tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in the corrupt and unlawful practices referred to in the said charges, should be indicted and prosecuted for the offense or offenses disclosed by such evidence or admissions so given by him or her, that that all such persons shall be immune from prosecution for any offense or offenses concerning which they are compelled to testify before the said Commission, but this shall not be deemed or taken to exempt any person or persons from prosecution for perjury in giving such testimony.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, these amendments are in line with the purpose and aim of the original Democratic resolution which I introduced on the first day of this session, and which was indefinitely postponed in this House about three weeks ago. Since that time, however, the Governor of this Commonwealth has come out openly in a communication to the Senate and has said that he courts a full, free and impartial investigation, intimating thereby that this resolution which is now before the House is not such a resolution as will give him such a fair and impartial investigation. Since that time also Senator Penrose has come out and reiterated at least three or four times his desire that a full, fair and free investigation shall be had, and that the people shall know the truth and the whole truth, no matter where the chips shall fly or whom it may hit. The Democrats already have gone on record in favor of such an investigation. Now then, since both factions of the Republican party and the Democrats have all agreed to the same things, since we have all committed ourselves in favor of a full, fair and impartial investigation, it seems to me that the real question before this House at this time is what constitutes a full, fair and impartial investigation. Now the amendments which I have suggested to my mind—and it is the opinion not only of myself but of all the Democrats in general—will give to the people of Pennsylvania such a full and free and fair investigation as is possible for the human mind to conceive.

Mr. Speaker, I cannot think of any form that would give a fairer investigation than the one I have prepared. Now, I wish to say that I want to call the bluff here and now. There is a great deal of talk in the newspapers that this investigation is all a bluff and I want to call that bluff right here and now. If these two factions are in favor of an investigation, such as they claim to be, then let them come up and vote for these amendments. I believe that we have spent enough time on this investibation business. We are in session now about six weeks and very little has been done in the line of legislation. I believe we ought to get together, inasmuch as we are all agreed that we want this investigation; that we want it to be free and fair; we want it to be impartial, and I say then that now is the time to go on record to vouchsafe such an investigation that the men here are investigated and also that we may go to the people back home who are looking to us and want the real facts. I believe that petty politics which has been played here has run itself out and I believe that the time is here when the people of the State demand that some action, definite action, should be taken by this body. I want now to call this bluff right here to let the people know that it is a bluff. If it is not a bluff, if the Governor of the Commonwealth and the Senior Senator of the United States are honest and sincere when they say they want such an investigation, then let their friends and followers vote for this amendment and put themselves on record accordingly. The people all over this Commonwealth have their eyes turned on this body. They are anxiously waiting and watching to see that we are in action and what we are doing with the matter. I say, to-day, the Governor has practically served notice that he will not sign the resolution in the form in which it is, and I scarcely believe that any effort will be made to pass it over his veto. If we want a fair investigation then vote in these amendments and show to the people of Pennsylvania that we have not been fooling away ther time and that we have not been bluffing but that we have been trying to give them what they demand and that is a full, a fair and a free investigation.

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. BEYER. Notwithstanding anything the Governor may wish to have done but in the full consciousness of our own responsibility as members of this chamber and without undertaking at this time to take issue with my distinguished friend from Berks in what he has so well said concerning the imperative need for investigation it nevertheless is true that the amendments offered to the pending resolution are entirely out of order and most undoubtedly unconstitutional because they seek to delegate legislative power and legislative responsibility upon a third person or persons who are in no manner answerable for their conduct to the people themselves, who have delegated by our state constitution whatever of legislative authority they ever intended to confer upon this legislature as its constitutional agent.

It is a well settled principle in the law of agency that a power conferred upon an agent because of his fitness and the confidence placed in him cannot be delegated by him to another, without the consent of the power which makes the original selection. A State Legislature stands in this position to the people whom they represent. They derive their authority from the state constitution, which makes them an agency in the general plan of government, and, unlike many other contracts of a private nature, there is no authorization to the agent or agents thus selected to deputize any other person or number of persons to act as agents or deputies for them, because the people who are the source of all governmental power have never given to their agents the power so to do.

All power is inherent in the people (says our state constitution) and all free governments are founded upon their authority, and instituted for their peace, their safety and happiness. For the advancement of these ends they have at all times an inalienable and indefensible right to alter, reform or abolish their government in such manner as they think proper. But until such time as the people themselves see fit to change our existing law the power of legislation will remain where the framers of our present state constitution placed it in 1874.

"The legislative power of this Commonwealth shall be vested in a General Assembly consisting of a Senate and a House of Representatives."

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I arise to a point of order

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, the point of order I take is that the gentleman is debating the point of order which he has raised, which ought to be out of order until the Chair has decided upon it.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I am only making my point of order.

The SPEAKER. The Chair does not sustain the point of order raised by the gentleman from Franklin. The gentleman has the right to give his reasons for raising the point of order and to refer to authorities.

Mr. BEYER. The constitution says that this legislative power shall be vested. It does not say may be vested, but distinctly confers this power where it belongs, on the responsible servants of the people. To have done otherwise would have led to confusion, disorder in government, divided responsibility and chaos. The people themselves powerful as they are cannot exercise this legislative function, except by first repealing the contract of government under which we live—and what they themselves cannot do, they certainly will not allow their agents to do.

Mr. Justice Bell in a well considered opinion in 1843 in the case of Parker vs. Commonwealth in reviewing the authorities on this subject uses this very logical and appropriate language:

"To exercise the power of making laws delegated to the General Assembly is not so much the privilege of that body as it is its duty. Wherever the good of the community calls for legislative action, there a legislative body must act. No man is bound under the constitution to accept the office of a legislator, but he who does so accept, cannot, rightfully, avoid the obligations it imposes, or evade the constitutional responsibilities incident to it. As has been well remarked, the constituent is entitled not only to the industry and fidelity of his representative, but to his judgment also in all that relates to the business of public legislation.

The election of a Speaker in the House of Representatives is the business of those who are members of the House, and not of any other department of state government. We cannot delegate this right to the Governor or to the courts because it belongs to us, and is part of our duties. The appointment of committees to aid in legislation belongs to the assembly and it cannot be delegated to any one else. Committees are composed of members, not of outsiders. Who would think of supporting any citizen not a member of this House on the Judiciary General Committee or the Law and Order Committee? If this is true of these committees it is equally true of all other committees. Committees are but a subdivision of the larger body such as the House or the Senate in order to divide the work and give to pending legislation sober and serious thought.

There would be a revolution in Pennsylvania if we undertook to delegate committee powers to outsiders. If we could do this we could with equal right and justice delegate all our powers. Again, the people want some one to hold responsible, some one who they can reach and remove from office, when dishonest or false in judgment.

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I renew my Point of Order on the ground that the gentleman from Philadelphia is not confining himself to stating the authorities and reasons for the Point of Order as the Chair a moment ago ruled.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to state to the gentleman from Franklin that as the question now stands the proposition on which the Chair will have to express his opinion, as to whatever opinion is in the minds of the members, either pro or con on this subject, the Chair will rule that they have the right to express themselves. If the question was referred to the House rather than to the Chair it would be open to discussion among the members before they would decide. The Chair still insists that the gentleman is in order.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I have but one word more to say on the subject of my reasons.

The inquiry of a committee or legislative commission made up of outsiders may be perfectly honorable and even fair, but their knowledge derived by inquiry is not our own knowledge as legislators, it is hearsay, and their recommendations are not what the people demand or expect. they want every branch of legislation or legislative inquiry to remain where the constitution has placed it, and where they can reach it.

Mr. GOODWIN. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman from Berks (Mr. Sarig) would have studied the Constitution a little more thoroughly I don't think he would have offered his amendment.

Our Constitution is the great framework upon which rests the principles of our State government. It creates the three great departments; the Legislative, the Executive and the Judicial; and they are all subject to its authority. It is superior to all laws, and all acts of the State government must conform to its authority else they are void.

But all auxiliary laws which are necessary to give effect to the principles of the Constitution must necessarily come from the Legislative branch.

The Constitution provides in Article II, Section 1, that "The legislative power of this Commonwealth shall be vested in a General Assembly consisting of a Senate and House of Representatives. Under this provision the Legislature has authority to enact any legislation not forbidden by the Constitution. This Constitutional provision may be expressed in words or it may be by necessary implication.

It is not expressly prohibited, but the Assembly could not do an Executive or Judicial act. By the same principle of "necessary implication" the Legislature can not enact any law contrary to any provision of the Constitution, although the provision is not expressed in words.

In Page versus Allen, 58 Penna. Supreme Court Reports, it was held that "The expression of one thing in the Constitution is necessarily the exclusion of things not expressed."

While on the one hand the Legislature can not exercise any power not authorized by the Constitution, on the other hand it can not divest itself of any of the powers committed to it by delegating them to any other bodies.

The people are divested of all Legislative authority by the clause placing that power in the hands of its representatives. By this clause they decided that the enactment of all laws shall be entrusted to the discretion of the men whom they elect to the General Assembly. They have determined by the Constitutional mandate that the enactment of all legislation shall be entrusted exclusively to the membership of this legislative body, and they have a right to demand that the discretion of this membership shall be exercised in the enactment of all legislation.

This investigation partakes of a penal character, and it is a well settled principle of criminal law that penal statutes must be strictly construed. Nothing is to be taken on presumption.

If the framers of the Constitution had intended that the power of investigating official misdemeanors and impeachments could be delegated to any other body they certainly would have said so.

It is a settled principle of Constitutional law that this Legislature can not delegate any of the powers conferred upon it by the Constitution. Where the people, through the Constitution has located authority there it must remain, until they change the Constitution themselves.

The auhority to where a certain discretion has been intrusted can not relieve itself of that responsibility by delegating another body upon whom the authority shall be vested.

This Legislature can not transfer the power of legislation to any other bodies.

The members of the Senate and House are the trustees of the people for the purpose of enacting legislation, and they have no right or authority to place that power in the hands of any others than their own.

Where the sovereign power of the State has placed this power there it must remain.

Lock on Civil Government says "The Legislature neither must nor can transfer the power of making laws to any body else, or place it any where but where the people have."

If the true spirit of the Constitution is obesrved it will be difficult to arrive at any other conclusion than that the representatives of the people should conduct the proposed investigation into the conduct of public officials.

It is a sort of a State inquest. Who can so properly be the inquisitors as those who have been elected to represent the people of the whole State.

If we do our duty as representatives we must be presumed to be watchful of the people's interests.

There is a wide difference between ordinary misdemeanors and official misdemeanors committed by public servants. For the latter class the law provides for investigation and impeachment; for the former class the remedy is the inquest by the grand jury, drawn from the county, and a trial before a court of criminal jurisdiction.

The proposed investigation is in the nature of a grand inquest for the State.

As the grand jury is the guardian of the peace of the county, so the representatives of the people should be the guardians of the welfare of the people of the State.

As the grand jury should bring to light, for examination, trial and punishment all violators of the criminal code; so should those elected to represent the people endeavor to bring to light all those who betray their trust by official misconduct.

Mr. LAUCKS. Mr. Speaker, the gentlemen who have preceded me have gone at length into what they have called authorities on the delegation of legislative power, but they have failed to point out that which is important and absolutely necessary, namely, in what manner. On this proposed commission and the exercise of legislative powers, the constitution says, "The legislative power of the Commonwelth shall be vested in the General Assembly, which shall consist of a Senate and a House of Representatives"; but it says nothing in regard to the delegation of any power which is merely inquisitorial.

One of the gentlemen referred to the law of agency, and said that an agent cannot delegate authority to another. That is true, but if he goes one step further he will find that that agent cannot delegate authority where discretion is involved. In this case there is no delegation. This proposed commission is merely to assist, it is merely to inquire, it is merely to collect evidence; and after that evidence has been collected to report that evidence to this legislative body and have this legislative body act upon it.

There is nothing that we can do at the present time better than to refer to specific authorities. The gentlemen as I take it have referred to authorities which do nothing more than becloud the issue. Let me refer to Lock's Appeal, 72 Pennsylvania 491, and read a portion of the opinion of Judge Agnew, in which he says: "The legislature cannot delegate the power to make a law, but it can make a law to delegate a power to determine some fact, or state of things upon which the law makes or intends to make its own action depend."

This proposed commission is to do nothing more than that, it is merely to inquire, to get the evidence and report. Other commissions have been created in many instances by this very legislature with powers as great and even greater than is proposed in this instance.

Let me refer to a commission that was appointed in 1911. This will be found in the 1911 Pamphlet Laws, page 26. In this instance, the Legislature authorized the Governor let me point out there that in the first instance the Legislature authorized the Governor and the Governor in turn was to appoint a commission, another step which this does not propose to introduce. In the first place, if this is unconstitutional, how could that be constitutional when the Governor was in the first place delegated to have this power and the Governor is a part of the executive and not a part of the legislative branch of this state government? In that instance the Legislature authorized the Governor to investigate and report upon the physical conditions and legal rights in the matter of surface support in the anthracite coal district. This was composed of nine competent citizens, four mining experts and five disinterested citizens, these to report to the Legislature. Also in 1911 the Governor was authoried to appoint a commission to perform the work of dredging the Erie Harbor. In the same year the Governor was authorized to appoint a commission to investigate the chestnut tree blight disease. Also in 1911 the Legislature, by joint resolution, created a commission to investigate and report to the General Assembly a plan for the segregation and care and treatment of the feeble-minded and epileptic persons within the Commonwealth. In this instance, the Legislature did not designate the personnel of the Commission by name, but by the official positions that the individuals occupied. These members were first the Commissioner of Health, the Director of Health and Charity in Philadelphia and members of the Lunacy Committee of the Board of Public Charities, these to report to the Legislature. Also in 1911, by joint resolution, a commission was appointed to arrange for the selection of the site and the building of a building for the making of a proper exhibit by Pennsylvania at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

Also the same year a commission was appointed to revise and codify the anthracite mining laws, and of these nine members three were to be selected from the coal operators and three from among the workers. The same year a commission was authorized and appointed by the Governor to investigate and report as to the safe construction of buildings and building materials. And so I could go on and name you perhaps hundreds of commissions that have been appointed from time to time with inquisitorial powers, the same thing as is proposed at the present time, and there was no question raised in regard to constitutionality. I will call your attention to two more commissions, one appointed in 1913 to investigate a combination of fire insurance companies. This commission included within its members two citizens of the Commonwealth who were not members of the Legislature of Pennsylvania. A similar commission was created in 1915 to investigate and report the cause of the increased price of anthracite coal. Now, gentlemen of this House, I think I have cited sufficient instances where commissions similar to this, with similar powers, have been created, and where the question of constitutionality was not raised. I think by this time it must be clear in your minds that this point of order on the proposed commission of investigation consisting of men whose public careers are above reproach, that this point of order is not what it should be, that is, that it is not to the point, but that it is merely an attempt to overthrow an honest attempt by the members of the minority party to make this investigation fair and impartial.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman's remarks are relative to the appointment of commissions with power to to investigate certain matters, in order that bills may be drawn and referred to the committees in this House. This commission is to report back to this legislative body after making this inquiry, giving its recommendations.

The SPEAKER. The Chair shall decide that the point of order that the resolution is out of order, by the gentleman from Philadelphia, is well taken. My reasons for this decision are found in Article II, Sections 1 and 15. The resolution directs that this commission shall have the power to subpoena witnesses and compel attendance. Section 15 designates just what summons will lie against a member of the House: "The members of the General Assembly shall in all cases except treason, felony, violation of their oath of office and breach or surety of the peace, be privileged from arrest." Should this commission issue a summons for a member of this House, he could disregard it, and that to my mind clearly indicates that the only body that would have power to issue summons with force would be members of these two bodies. I therefore sustain the point of order of the gentleman from Philadelphia and the resolution falls.

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, I appeal from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. ERDMAN. Mr. Speaker, I second the appeal.

Mr. RAMSEY in the Chair.

The SPEAKER. The question before the House is shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained. A roll call has been asked for: All those who desire to sustain the decision of the Chair will vote "Aye"; those opposed will vote "No".

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call the Chair's attention to Rule 3 on the question of appeal and ask whether or not this is debatable?

The SPEAKER. It is the thought of the Chair that this matter, insofar as this appeal refers to it, has been so thoroughly discussed that no gentleman at this particular time can add more to it. I think as a matter of advancing the business of the House that every gentleman is thoroughly conversant with what the appeal has reference to and can vote according to his judgment.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, am I entitled to recognition for the purpose of making remarks at this time.

The SPEAKER. The Chair has ordered the roll call. There is nothing in order before the call of the roll.

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Chestnut and Mr. Canon and were as follows:

YEAS—148.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Sinclair,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, J. W.,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, L.,
Baker,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mervine,	Snowden,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Michel,	Somerman,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Hess,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Clements,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Conner,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Cox,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Cummins,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Weimer,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Wells,
Dale,	Leary,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Schaeffer,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCollough,	Shunk,	
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Siggins,	
Fackler,	McKay,	Simpson,	

NAYS—44.

Barner,	Eby,	Mitchell,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Erdman,	Murphy,	Snyder,
Black,	Hollern,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Sweitzer,
Burnett,	Horne,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Campbell, J. O.,	Howarth,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Canon,	Isherwood,	Rinn,	Walter,
Chestnut,	Jack,	Rothenberger,	West,
Christman,	Lanius,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Coldsmith,	Laucks,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Dean,	Maurer,	Sarig,	
Donneley,	McVicar,	Shaffer,	
Drake,	Miller, Allen,	Showalter,	

So the question was determined in the affirmative and the decision of the Chair was sustained.

Mr. BALDWIN in the Chair.

The SPEAKER. I desire to declare that the amendment offered by the gentleman from Berks, Mr. Sarig, follows under the vote on the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer an amendment at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

Moved by Mr. Walter, of Franklin, seconded by Mr. Williams of Tioga, Resolved, That Joint Resolution No. 1, File Folio of the Senate No. 125, House Bill No. 326, be amended by striking out the word "June" in line 13, page 4, and inserting in place thereof the word "May."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, My purpose in offering this amendment is to shorten the session of this body. The report of such a committee as is likely to be appointed under this resolution, will naturally be considered by this body and by the Senate. If that report is not before the House until June 1st it will mean that this body will be in session until July 1st or longer. This resolution, I take it from its terms and by the arguments that have been offered in support of it, contemplates an increase in economy and efficiency of government. In my humble judgment, Mr. Speaker, the thing for this House to do and for this Legislature to do is to perform its duties and go back home as soon as is possible after attending to the urgent public business that comes before it. This investigation, if a commission be appointed under this resolution, can be conducted in several months and if there were urgent public necessity by reason of any disclosures made through it, the time might be extended, but I don't believe that it is a good thing for the Republican Party or a good thing for the people of Pennsylvania to drag out this session away into the summer months. I feel that I voice the sentiment of the upstate members in taking the position I do.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, the amendment suggested by the gentleman from Franklin is right and I endorse all that he has so well said in support of its adoption. The commission created by the Legislature of 1907 to investigate the charge of irregularities in the erection and furnishings of this Capitol Building was authorized by resolution calling for a repodt during the session of the Legislature. They called together to examine hundreds of witnesses and being unable to complete their work, when the Legislature adjourned on the 16th of May, they came before the Legislature and asked that the power of that commission be extended, which was done with an increased appropriation to carry the added expenses for further investigation. Should the Governor, in his judgment, approve of the resolution now under consideration, I assume that the members of this commission will be promptly appointed and they will get busy and will have two full months, if the amendment offered by the gentleman from Franklin, is adopted, in which to carry on their investigation and make their report, which should be ample time in which to complete the suggested investigation. If, however, they find as they proceed with their investigation that they will not be able to complete their work in that time they can ask for additional time as ws done by the commission in 1907, without necessitating the longer or further session of this Legislature beyond, I hope, the middle of May. Those who have assumed to shape the course of this Legislature, unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, have not taken the House as a whole into their confidence as regards their policy so that we are simply drifting toward an adjournment harbor of uncertain date. Mr. Speaker, you very properly said a week ago that the farmer members of this body could not attend to their outside home work at this time which should enable them to be attentive to their duties here from week to week and expedite legislation.

Two months hence when my friend, the Good Shepherd from Potter, and my neighbor from Bradford, the blue ribbon winner with his stock throughout the State, and the scientific agriculturist from the Sixteenth Philadelphia District, together with the rest of us who are engaged in agricultural pursuits will be so busily engaged with our planting and laying the foundation for crops with which to feed multitudes in the cities and possibly to feed—I hope not—the hundreds of thousands of our soldier and sailor boys who may in these trying times be called into active service. Mr. Speaker, this Legislature could do no one thing that would please its constituency as much as to pass the necessary appropriation bills, together with the corrective and remedial legislation that may be needed to cure defects in existing stautes and adjourn. I sincerely hope this amendment will be adopted.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I have no special interest in this matter whether we agree to ask the commitee to report back in May or in June; but I do feel that a task that is laid upon this legislative body of such immense importance, with so many various departments particularly referred to in the resolution offered by my good friend from Berks a few weeks ago, may require a little more time than that which will be allowed us by making a report in May instead of June. I am as anxious to save the time of the people of Pennsylvania as any other member in this House. I regret, however, that this occasion has been made use of in order to draw out a sort of inducement to men that by voting for this amendment they are likely to get home sooner than by not voting for it. It is injecting ing into this discussion here not a truthful representation of what may be important in the legislation of this body but what may concern us more personally. I take issue with the statement made so frequently and say that it is an injustice to the Legislature of Pennsylvania when men in this very chamber will rise in their seats and say that the people are waiting for this legislative body to adjourn. I say it would be better for the State of Pennsylvania if we would sit longer and consider legislation with the care and consideration that it deserves. It is not the amount of statutes that we pass but it may be equally as

important to sit in committee and thresh out your bills and see that unworthy legislation does not come upon the statute books. If that means time, it is for the benefit of the whole State; and all this cry constantly made against this body that we are a set of idle servants here, neglecting our duties here without any excuse, is an insult to the intelligence of this chamber and an insult to the constituency that sends us here.

I shall vote against the proposed amendment because I do not believe that the time allowed in the amendment is sufficient for a proper investigation, especially when it is made by members of the Legislature and I almost endorse what was said by the gentleman from Berks when he intimated that we were making a joke out of this proposition. It begins to look like a joke when you are trying to close the doors on the proper sort of investigation by asking to cut down the time and make the efforts of your committee fruitless.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The Speaker declared the nays appeared to have it.

Whereupon, Messrs. Walter and George W. Williams called for the ayes and nays

The SPEAKER. The ayes and nays have been called for by the gentleman from Franklin, Mr. Walter, and the gentleman from Tioga, Mr. George W. Williams. Now I hope the House will be in order and that the members will answer loudly to their names when they are called for by the Clerk. It is very important that the members answer loudly because it is impossible for the Clerk to keep a correct roll, and I do hope that there will be no controversy over the question of the roll, and I do not believe there will be if the members speak out loudly when their names are called.

The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Franklin. Those who are in favor of shortening the time for the report of the committee, as I understand it, as provided in the resolution, the first day of June or the last day of May to the first day of May.—those who are in favor of making the report on the first day of May will vote aye; those who are in favor of it remaining as now in the resolution, the thirty-first day of May, will vote no. The Clerk will call the roll.

The roll was called as follows:

YEAS—82.

Albee,	Drake,	Malie,	Ross,
Aston,	Dunn,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,
Barner,	Eby,	Maurer,	Rudisill,
Bell,	Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Sampsel,
Benchoff,	Erdman,	McKay,	Sarig,
Bennett,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Schaeffer, A. C.
Bidelspacher,	Geary,	Mervine,	Showalter,
Black,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Shunk,
Bovee,	Helt,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Burnett,	Hess,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Christman,	Howarth,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Jack,	Ogden,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Phillips,	Wallace,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Reitzel,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wylie,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rich,	
Dewey,	Lohr,	Ringler,	

NAYS—113.

Aron,	Franklin,	Michel,	Sones,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Milner,	Spangler,
Baker,	Gans,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Baldi,	Glass,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Neary,	Steedle,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Patterson,	Stern,
Beyer,	Graham,	Perry,	Stoltlet,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Richards,	Ulsh,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Rininger,	Urich,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Rinn,	Vogdes,
Clements,	Horton,	Robertson,	Walker,
Conner,	Hough,	Rogers,	Weimer,
Cox,	Jones,	Ruddy,	Wells,
Crosby,	Leary,	Scott,	West,
Cummins,	Luppert,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Mangan,	Shattuck,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	McArdle,	Siggins,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	McCaig,	Simpson,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	McCollough,	Sinclair,	Wood,
Donneley,	McKinney,	Smith, E. R.,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McNichol,	Smith, J. W.,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McPeake,	Smith, L.,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Snowden,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	Mehring,	Somerman,	Speaker.

So the question was determined in the negative, and the amendment falls.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the first section?

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, I take it that in a deliberate body of this character clothed with the importance and the dignity that pertains to the Geenral Assembly of Pennsylvania, that any enactment or resolution is offered not through some haphazard purpose, but is the result of calm deliberation and in furtherance of some definite design. I take it for granted further that this resolution has been offered either for the purpose of advancing materially the economic and moral welfare of this Commonwealth, or else it has been offered for some purpose which is ignoble, mean and petty. Having considered this resolution from its preamble to its end, and having further regard to the surrounding circumstances, and the peculiarity of its birth, I have no hesitation in saying that I have reached the conclusion that this resolution if adopted would add to the fair name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania disgrace rather than dignity, and shame rather than honor.

Now let us consider from purely patriotic motives, and from a desire to do that which is best for our State, whether this resolution should have support of the members of this body. I want to say right at this point that I come from a district which is not in any way interested in the factional fight which has developed within the Republican Party within the great City of Philadelphia, and any observation that I make upon this bill is made solely because I have at heart the inteerst and the good name of this State and have regard for her great traditions which we all hold dear.

Now let us consider the preamble of this resolution and see whether it is frank and candid and whether it is the kind of resolution that commends itself to us because of its unity of purpose. I want to ask every member of this House within the sound of my voice, if he intended to present charges against another man and wanted the action of this House in support thereof, what would he do? Why, in the first place you would make his purpose clear and specific, and in furtherance of that purpose, if it was an honest purpose, would lay before this House all the information he had which might bear upon the question. Why? Because for the very same reason that you would desire honestly to do right by the man who was charged, and I say to you that the members of this House will not act rightly and with due regard to their sworn oath in doing something that may effect the sacred honor and dignity and reputation of any other man, unless upon clear information properly supported by adequate proof. I am frank to say that so far as I am personally concerned before I take action which attempts to smear smoke, soot or black paint that you may place upon the integrity of another man, I want to know specifically what the charge against him is, whether the man who supports the charges is himself a man of integrity, and whether he acts from motives that are sincere and unbiased.

Now I know it will be said by the gentleman on the other side that on honest man need not fear an investigation; let the chips fall where they may; lay the axe to the root of the tree, and all that sort of thing. Well, gentlemen we are practical men. We know what happens when the reputation of another man is committed to the tender mercies of a partisan committee, to skillful and inquisitorial council, clever atorneys, and to newspapers who are always eager to print the unusual and the sensational. If you see in your paper the inference and the innuendo which goes with such things, that Mr. Smith is a liar and a thief, the fact that later on Mr. Smith proves that he was not a liar and a thief, but an honest man, you still have a doubt in your mind whether or not Mr. Smith might not have been subject to criticism because you saw it stated in scare headlines in your favorite newspaper.

Now Mr. Speaker, let us consider for a minute the circumstances behind the birth of this peculiar resolution. A factional contest was on in the City of Philadelphia and it spread out into the state, and just at this time there came on the contest for the Speakership. It seemed to be a matter of great importance to the two factions as to whether they were able, or might be able, to elect the particular candidate they favored for Speaker of this House, and the air was full of abuse and vituperation in the unseemly effort of those gentlemen who opposed the rule of the Senior Senator from this state and they were in high glee. They said that Mr. Penrose was a dead cock in the pit, that his day had come, that his friends were standing by pumping air into him, that on the first day of January on Capitol Hill in the City of Harrisburg his political end would occur, and that he would depart from this political life fanned on one side by the gentleman, the Senator from Delaware, and on the other side by the gentlemen from Chester. They had a political epitaph prepared for the Senior Senator, which red something like this: Here lies Boies. Restrain your tears. He threw the bull for twenty years. He passed away on New Year's Monday. Please send all flowers to Joseph Grundy. On the other side the gentlemen who were in favor of the Senior Senator were equally loud in predicting the end of the Chief Executive of this Commonwealth and those allied with the Senator from South Philadelphia. They said that on the first of January at the nomination and election of a Speaker that unholy alliance would be broken and those men would be counted out. And they had prepared a little epitaph to place above the political graves of those gentlemen and it went something like this: Let ingrates shiver; let traitors beware, we have put the kibosh on Martin and Vare. And so it ran. You gentlemen know what happened. The election was held and a man was chosen for Speaker of this House who has been here for many sessions. So far as I was personally concerned I yielded gracefully. Did the gentleman who had won the conflict with wise political acumen do what they ought to have done; let things die and go on about the state business? I do not think so. They began to sprinkle salt in the wounds of the gentlemen on the minority side and have kept up an unseemly contest, supported by this miserable resolution, until the people of the state are tired and sick of it. Now we have got to turn to this preamble for the particular charges because we have no other information. Nobody has appeared who has given us anything tangible as to why we should support this resolution. It is stated that statements have appeared in the newspaper press made by reputable citizens, but the statements we have are the statements made in the heat of a political conflict, statements to which you and I, under ordinary circumstances, would not give two minutes' consideration. Is this legislative body to sit here for weeks and weeks and appropriate $25,000 to find out whether the Attorney General of this Commonwealth is a political shyster?

Is this great deliberative body, with more than two hundred members, to concern itself with whether or not the Congressman from Philadelphia who had to do with the Vare campaign in the recent conflict, as was said by the Senior Senator, is a tenderloin statesman, and are we concerned, I mean in a dignified way, with the proposition that was advanced during this recent contest with proving whether or not, as was said, that the Senior Senator himself, with all his dignity and high office, was a political degenerate. I do not think so. I say to you that the people of this state have absolutely no interest in this contest and would like to see it wiped off the board. Let us look at this preamble, the very first provision of it, and I consider that it is of primary importance, related to questions of gross extravagance, and I presume following out what has appeared in the papers, and that has to do with the so-called extravagances of the Chief Executive. In all sincerity, is this deliberative body really concerned with whether or not Mr. Brumbaugh paid a dollar and a half or two dollars and a half or three dollars and a half to have his pants pressed. Now in all good conscience, since the Legislature of 1915 said that he should have so much for traveling expenses, are we concerned really with whether or not the Governor of the Commonwealth used one taxicab or two taxicabs or even three taxicabs, and had Mrs. Brumbaugh with him? I don't think so. This is a great inland empire that we represent of eight millions of people,—not a piker kingdom, not by any means; it is a Commonwealth that charms the admiration, that elicits the enthusiastic approval of men wherever the name of Pennsylvania is spoken. And I submit to you that it is undignified, not only undignified but unpatriotic, for this body to consider seriously charges of that character. What kind of a man is this Governor? What kind of an administration has this Chief Executive given? Now I stand here to protect no man guilty of crime. If Martin G. Brumbaugh, the Chief Executive of the State of Pennsylvania, and for our purposes a private citizen, has done wrong, take him into the courts of law and prove wherein he has done wrong, and the statutes of this state are amply sufficient to redress any wrong done. And if Francis Shunk Brown, a citizen of this Commonwealth, and temporarily occupying the high office of Attorney General, has not lived up to the sacred principles of his office, but has violated some principle not to be violated, let us cite him into a court of law on the question of malfeasance and have him properly punished. But in all sincerity and dignity, and realizing the fact that this is a dignified body why are we concerned with statements made when men's blood was at top heat, when they had lost that calm consideration which men ordinarily have, and when they spoke from motives that were not impartial and unpatriotic, but purely party. Now I understand, Mr. Speaker, I understand that very serious charges have been made against your Chief Executive of this Commonwealth. I understand, Sir, that in the City of Philadelphia, at a public function, it was charged that the Chief Executive of this Commonwealth was a Hessian Dutchman. Sir, I shiver when I think of that. In these strenuous times of international complications I consider it very unpopular for a man, for any man, to be a Dutchman, and I presume that it is far worse for a man to be a Hessian Dutchman. But suppose we go on for two or three months, and we prove that the Governor was a political ingrate, that he was a Hessian Dutchman, has the dignity of this Commonwealth been furthered, or has her fair name been elevated in the eyes of the public, or have we done anything to which we can later on point back with pride? Now with regard to the Attorney General, I understand, may it please the gentlemen of the House, that certain extravagances in that statement have been referred to by inuendo or by inference as belonging to the office of the Attorney General. You members have no information on this subject, but I have. I have some inside information. I understand that no later than last summer—and I can furnish you with the date if any gentleman desires it—I understand that last summer the Attorney General had not expected on the thirteenth of July, I think it was, to go home to dinner. Finding that he could get away from his office, he called up his devoted wife on the 'phone because he wanted her to wait dinner for him. Thetelephone charge was made against his office and the state, and for several weeks the Attorney General of this Commonwealth forgot to pay for that telephone charge, and it was charged against the state. That is part of the charge of malfeasance in office. Think of the gravity of that offense, gentlemen. It is true that later on he paid for it. But I think it is true that men will say, Why didn't the Attorney General immediately pay for that telephone call? The Senior Senator the other day said that Mr. Brown's conscience has been troubling him, because he paid back certain moneys into the treasury. It is the custom to make these charges, and they take them when the charges come in and separate those which are purely personal and which have nothing to do with the business of the state. Now, gentlemen, the resolution goes further and refers to continued absences. I presume we will all agree that has crept into this resolution through inadvertence, perhaps a mistake of the printer, and should not be in here, because I take it that this body has nothing to do with absences in the Senate of the United States or Congress. And in that connection the only statements we have are as to the absence of certain distinguished gentlemen from ther seats in the Congress of the United States, and I submit that that is unworthy of our consideration. Now the resolution resorts to bribery in connection with the solicitation of votes. I do not believe in the recent speakership contest that anybody bribed anybody else in case he should vote either for Mr. Cox or for our present distinguished Speaker. I want to say for myself that pressure was brought to bear on every man who would cast his vote. I know in my own individual case, if you will pardon me,

that I began to think that my vote was out of all proportion to its value because of the demands made on me to vote this way or that way. Nobody bribed me. The solicitation was fair. Both the men supporting the present Speaker and the adherents of Mr. Cox were anxious to have either one or the other elected, but nobody was bribed. I do not believe that anybody within the sound of my voice would stand here and say that he was bribed to vote either for the present Speaker or his opponent. During the course of the contest a distinguished friend of mine who occupies a seat in the other side of this body, whose sunny smile has endeared him to everybody, was discussing the question with me, and wanted me to vote for Mr. Baldwin, and I told him I was going up to select my seat in the House.

In his jovial, jocular way he said, "Well, go ahead, if you want to, but if you happen to lose out, if you are on the losing side remember this, it would not be worth while for you to go up there to select a seat, because if you are on the losing side you will get put to the bottom and so far as a seat is concerned you will be lucky if you get inside of the House." Looking about me and considering the location of my seat, and looking over my committee assignments, I can truly say, "a Prophet has arisen in Israel." It has grieved me, beyond measure that I was separated from my distinguished colleagues from Montgomery County, and I have only one consolation and that is that I sit here among stalwarts—the real red blood of this House, and our Star of Hope still shines clearly because we know that political chickens, like other chickens, "always come home to roost."

Now the Resolution goes on to refer to flagrant political activities. Flagrant political activities, considering by whom these charges are made—that ought not to be put in the Legislative Journal; it ought to be featured in the front page of Puck or Judge. Flagrant activities, indeed. Did you ever see Mr. Penrose, or Mr. Vare, if you please, or Mr. McNichol, or Mr. Eyre, or Mr. Sproul or any of those distinguished gentlemen when they wanted to pull over an election talk of flagrant political activities. Why, we all know, as practical men, that they move heaven and earth and almost assail the legions of Hades itself in their efforts to accomplish their political purposes. The resolution goes on to say that all these allegations have so aroused public sentiment, presumably in favor of this resolution, that you would imagine from that that there was a riot in the market place; that men were congregating with righteous horror in their souls demanding that this resolution be put through. I say to you, gentlemen, that eight out of ten Republican voters in the State of Pennsylvania if you were to ask them their honest opinions would say to you, "For Heaven's sake, why don't you fellows cut loose from that thing and get down to business?" outraged public sentiment! I think if you were to take the lowest ward politician that you could get and you would say to him, "What do you think of that resolution?" He would say to you and to me that "Brumbaugh was a political ingrate" and would go on and add that that resolution is bunk and if they will keep on with it they will split the party wide open and nobody will profit by it except the Democrats. If I have not stated the facts in regard to that resolution you gentlemen of course will correct me. I say to you, gentlemen, that there is not in the State of Pennsylvania any crystallized sentiment of any responsible character, whatever, for any single item in this resolution. You get away from the sensational front page of any newspaper published in this Commonwealth and turn to the editorial column and I offer to bet that forty-eight out of every fifty editorial writers in this State are thoroughly against this resolution from start to finish. Why? Because it is offensive to every sentiment of public decency. It proposes no good for this great State and honest patriotic legislators ought to put it where it belongs —in the waste-basket.

I have considered this for a moment from purely patriotic consideration; for the good of the State. Let us have a Republican Caucus right here for a few minutes. I think it is proper on this side of the House to consider it from the other side. I am frank to say that I think it is a less worthy reason to say: "I have opposed the resolution because I believe that every man who comes into this hall ought to feel that he is a servant of the people and not of a party." But this has been introduced for the reason of purging the party and since it has, let us consider it. What do you think will happen when we get on with this resolution, fellow Republicans? Why, we will be in the same position that General Kuropatkin was in during the Russo-Japanese War. A message came from that land to a little town in Pennsylvania, which reads something like this: Kuropatkin is in statuo quo." The boys at the crossroads store, who got the message, didn't know what that meant—Kuropatkin is in statuo quo, so they took the message to the wise man of the town who knew everything and they said, "Uncle Sam,, look over this message and tell us what it means." The old man put on his glasses and looked over and read it, "Kuropatkin is in statuo quo." He thought a moment, as he didn't know any more about the meaning of that message than they did, but he was game and took a chance and he said, "Why fellows, this means that Kuropatkin is in a hell of a fix." I say to you, Mr. Speaker, and to you, fellow Republicans, that if we go on with this resolution and pursue it to its logical conclusion we will find ourselves, two years hence, in just that sort of a fix. The very best test that I know with regard to Republican sentiment in favor of this resolution was shown in the Senate the other night when it was put to a test vote and nineteen Republican Senators voted against it and eighteen voted for it and the majority had to rely upon a crystallized Democratic sentiment to put it over. The very best criticism I can make of the lack of wisdom from a party standpoint on this resolution is the fact that our Democratic friends are so enthusiastically in favor of it. Whenever I see a measure that the Democrats are thoroughly in favor of I conclude, Mr. Speaker, that it is bad medicine for a Republican to take. Mr. Speaker, I believe that the time has come to us that the eyes of the county are on the State of Pennsylvania. We are traveling in different times than those in which the great Quay lived. We have reached the time in the history of our Commonwealth and in the history of the country as a whole when men's minds are broader and on better things, due to the wonderful advancement in invention and in the furtherance of science. The whole earth, to-day, is merely a neighborhood; an operator sits in his office in Washington and with a twitch of his fingers he drops about the world in a single heart-beat sentiments of sorrow, sentiments of patriotism, sentiments perhaps of fear and we catch it out beyond the three mile limit or down through the cactus covered regions of Mexico.

The day has gone by when Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is to be regarded as the West and our thoughts to-day as politicians, our thoughts to-day as men who have in our hearts impulses that lead to a better Pennsylvania turn toward that western country where everything is potential, inviting and full of life, and we hear those men, and they said it in November last, "we don't like the kind of politics you fellows have in the East and you want to clean house"; and they said it so loud that they put in the White House a man who, not because he kept us out of war but because those fellows in the West doubted whether or not our political leaders were acting on the level. I say to you that the time has come when man's thoughts ought to draw from ward politics to the broad consideration of the best good, to the good of the Commonwealth. I cannot find in this miserable resolution anything at all that commends itself to me from the standpoint of patriotism or from the standpoint of public expediency. I say a man cannot sit in this House and not feel as he looks about a certain thrill of patriotism. Just above your right, Mr. Speaker, is that wonderful painting of William Penn concluding his Treaty with the Indians. He was a man through whose veins ran the desire always to do the best, whose cause he regarded as a sacred trust. Just up there is the painting of the great father of his country speaking words of wisdom to an expectant people. Just below him I see I think that very old patriot Witherspoon, the only clergyman who signed the Declaration of Independence, and when somebody assailed him, claiming that he was a fool to risk so much on the outcome of a mere experiment he said, "Of property I have some, of reputation more; that property is pledged, that reputation is staked upon the issue in this contest. I had rather that these gray hairs descend under the curse of the hangman's axe than desert at this crisis the sacred cause of my country;" and I would desire that some of that spirit

might descend on the floor of this House at this moment and animate the hearts and minds of patriotic citizens and good Republicans when they consider this resolution for I assure you, sir, that this great Commonwealth with its eight millions of toiling people, with its miles of smoking coke ovens and roaring furnaces, with its treasuries of coal and iron embowelled deep in the earth, with its waving fields of grain and its broad acres of tobacco, and with its splendid citizenship demands something better at our hands than this miserable resolution which has to commend it not one single feature that can recommend itself to the mind or heart of a patriotic, honest legislator. (Applause.)

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I could not help but think to myself while sitting here listening to the eloquent address of the gentleman who has just closed, of the words of him whose memory we celebrated yesterday and to take for my theme as a Republican and as a Pennsylvanian the beautiful sentiment expressed on the battlefield of Gettysburg: "With malice toward none and with charity to all;" and as we approach the consideration of this important resolution which now lies before us let us do so in a spirit of charity and with malice toward none; but let us remember, at the same time, what it is we are here for and why we are here at this moment to consider this resolution. It is not the fault of any member of this chamber on either side of the House, but in the midst of a campaign for the Speakership of this body a gentleman, respected by every one of you, even though you may not follow him politically, made known his desire to aspire to the high office he here occupies, as he had a perfect right under the inalienable laws of our nation to do; but the moment that he did the foul tongue of slander reached out from the Executive Chamber in Harrisburg throughout every county of Pennsylvania. They told that this honest man, who came to the front by sheer force of his own character and his own individuality, and whose love of country and whose love of State was as great as the eminent gentleman from Montgomery, was an unfit man for any decent man in Pennsylvania to have any associations with, because he, in his judgment and his careful deliberation upon the legislative matters in the sessions gone by, during which he has served as a member from Delaware County, had seen fit at times to differ in his judgment from that of the Governor, the people of Pennsylvania were immediately told that all that was good and sweet, too sweet to be kissed in Harrisburg, lay in the Executive Chamber and all that was wicked and wrong was in the personnel of the candidate who aspired to the office he now occupies.

When men in the heat of political strife forget themselves and make charges which are unfounded it is only reasonable to expect that the answer will come back and that those who recklessly make charges against faithful servants are bound to get the answer and bound to open themselves to criticism from those against whom they are contending. I have heard it said, heard it said repeatedly and you can see it right there in that motto, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." That should be our guide and light, but let me tell you, gentlemen, there is one other that might be added in this building and might well shine in the Executive Chamber here in this building and it was spoken by a man over three thousand years ago who had wisdom greater than any man before him. He said: "Accuse not a servant unto his master lest he curse thee and thou be found wanting." Unfortunately for those who entered upon the malicious campaign of destroying the personal character of this candidate for Speaker the light was turned upon them and now you find they are running away and every time this matter comes up for discussion, whether it be here or in the Senate chamber, all that we hear is the cry of party, come to the rescue of the party; you are going to destroy the grand old party of which you are a member. Let me tell you, my friends, on this side of the chamber, that honesty of purpose, honesty of effort never yet destroyed the party of which you and I have the honor to be members.

If, unfortunately, false charges are made here one side against the other and some charges which may or may not be well founded, yet nevertheless the great citizenship of this State has come here today, and in every town, in every village and in every hamlet, the farmers and the citizenship of this State are gathering together to discuss the iniquities of our State government, whether it be in the hands of the Executive or the Legislative department of the government. I say that it is in the interest of our party, it is in the interest of ourselves, that we give these men who have been thus charged an opportunity to clear themselves if they are innocent of all that has been said against them, and the public ever-ready with a charitable thought is ready to forgive them, they will not allow any one to remain under an unjust cloud if he comes forward like a man and meets his accusers and comes out clean and whole. The guilty flee when no man pursueth. You heard what my good friend said from Montgomery a moment ago, that the Attorney General became conscious-stricken because of the fact that he called his dear wife on the telephone and charged it to the great State of Pennsylvania. I do not recall what it was but I have some recollection, and I think the people of Pennsylvania have some recollection, that he stood by the cashier's desk and took a good deal more than the price of one single phone call for his dear wife. I do not care to magnify even a matter of that sort. But let us be just, let us be fair with ourselves, let us give the people of our State an opportunity to hear the truth, then if our party has been clean you will not need to be afraid of the other side of this chamber. But if our servants and our representatives in our party have been disloyal and unfair with the citizenship of this State then you cannot blame the other side of this chamber if they make an issue of it and carry it into the campaign. Suppose you do not investigate. What is the answer from the other side of the chamber? You heard it this morning from the lips of the gentleman from Berks; that you are afraid to be investigated that you have not the courage to be investigated. Shall we permit that sort of argument to be held against the grand old party of which you and I are members and which at all times was manly enough to face every issue in the State and the Nation and considered the welfare of all the people.

I speak for no man, I hold a brief for no man. I claim to be a loyal Republican as every man in this chamber has a right to claim to be. I regret the insinuations that were made on both sides of this question during this Speakership fight, which gave rise to the assertions which were made. So far as I am concerned I wish they had never been made, but now that they have been made, the charges are ringing in the ears of our people, we must have the courage to stand by, face them, and permit the light to be turned on that the people may see what all this talk has been about.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, much has been said as to the reasons prompting this investigation. I submit for the consideration of the membership of this House that it is for them to pass upon whether the investigation proposed in accordance with this resolution is one to benefit the people of this State or whether it is one for the benefit of certain individuals who wreak their vengeance upon the administration. My friend from Philadelphia said that this investigation had its inception as a result of the recent Speakership contest, when he knows if he would refresh his memory that this investigation had its inception as a result of legislation passed of a beneficient character in the 1915 session of which he was a member as well as myself. You gentlemen remember that the Executive of this Commonwealth went before the people on a personal platform promising the people of this State that in the event of his election he would lend his efforts towards placing on the statute books laws of humanity, laws of a beneficent character to the workmen and the child. If he has kept his promise, you know by reference to the statutes passed in that session certain gentlemen high in party politics, supreme in command, others high in the official life of this Commonwealth, took it upon themselves on the very night that the information came from this great State that Martin G. Brumbaugh had been elected, to keep promises that were made to the interests in opposition to the Governor, and because the Governor saw fit to keep the promises made to the people, then it was that in the minds of these gentlemen opposed to him this investigation was conceived.

Is this the first time that investigation committees have been appointed for the purpose of wreaking personal vengeance or spleen? No, Mr. Speaker. The first that I recall

was in 1897. An investigation committee tried to destroy the leadership of a man in Philadelphia and as a result of the deliberations of that committee the gentleman who headed it is now in exile beyond the confines of the State of Pennsylvania, somewhere, I believe, in New Mexico.

Then again in 1911 a commission was formed for what purpose? For the benefit of the great State of Pennsylvania or the benefit of the people thereof? No. For the purpose of advancing the factional interest of those men who were desirous of attaining by legislative enactment that which they could not get from the people. What is the history of that commission. Did it do anything for the people of the state? I believe not, and no one on the floor of this House will contradict this statement.

Gentlemen, we know that charges have been made, not in the recent Speakership contest before referred to, but at a time when the people of the State of Pennsylvania were selecting national delegates. Were those charges then made for the benefit of the state, or for factional reasons? I say to you, gentlemen, that the remarks made by the gentleman from Pittsburgh affecting the integrity and honesty of the Chief Executive of this Commonwealth are well founded. There is no excuse for an investigating committee. There are standing laws upon our statute books that if he comes forward and substantiates his statements by an affidavit that the man can be brought before twelve of his peers and tried, and if found guilty, punished. As to the expenditure, we require no commission to spend twenty-five thousand dollars to find out whether or not any of the Executive's appointments have exceeded their right of expenditure. A joint committee of the appropriations could summon before them any head of a department and compel him to account to them for every dollar that he has spent. If there has been an abuse that committee could come here to the floor of the House and have a remedy, in the enactment of legislation that in the future would prevent such abuse. And, gentlemen, do you think that this investigating committee proposed is born of an honest purpose, or is one with the voice of the Master speaking to be produced within all sections of our great Commonwealth on the eve of a primary and to have its dried bones rattle, so say I to those of you here. If you don't think as I do, I will let loose bugaboo on you? And you know, as well said by the distinguished gentleman from Montgomery, if a man be accused of a crime, he will appear guilty in the eyes of the public. Do you propose to make yourselves parties—and I am now appealing, not basing my appeal to you altogether on party interests—but are you Republicans going to make yourself a party to the destruction of that party that honored you, or are you going to by your vote to-day that this resolution is not born in honesty, has not the disposition or desire in it to serve the people, or will you say that it is the emanation of petty and foolish politics, and to the man that proposes it, that you will save him from himself? Now, gentlemen, one word in conclusion. My friend said the farmers in every hamlet in the State of Pennsylvania were gathering together and discussing the iniquities of the state administration, but I believe that if we were to go to each one of the two hundred and six sitting members of the Houes and ask them where there is any sentiment among their people calling for this investigation or that would warrant the starting of it, that they would answer in the negative. Because the people recognize that if there were anything wrong, anything of a character that would proclaim anybody connected with the state administration guilty of malfeasance in office, they certainly would not put it in black and white. Everything that has been printed in the papers has been obtained from the Auditor General's Department, where everything is in black and white, and you all know if there is anything wrong or anything wrong done, he would not put it in black and white, in a way that he who runs may read. Gentlemen, this resolution is not born in honesty, this resolution is not for the purpose of bringing credit to this great Commonwealth, but it is a resolution conceived in the minds of men who, because they cannot boss, will destroy and tear down, and I ask you men of this House to look at it in an honest, calm and deliberate manner and vote it down.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Mr. Goodwin.

Mr. GOODWIN. Mr. Speaker, I will at this time yield to the gentleman from Armstrong, Mr.. Milliron.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Armstrong, Mr. Milliron.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House, it is not my intention to go into a discussion of this resolution at any great length, but I take this opportunity of pointing out what I think the prime motive or the prime reason for the members of this session at this time to be concerned about this resolution, and secondly to state my reasons for supporting said resolution. It occurs to my mind that this cause, or the cause for this resolution, has not originated within the last three or four months. Those of you who were in the session of 1915 will remember that the same factional fight that exists to-day in the City of Philadelphia existed then. You will recall that we have in the City of Philadelphia two factions, each headed by a contractor. The heads of both of these factions are fine, reputable men, as far as I know, but after making a million or two by removing the garbage from the streets and collecting it in the City of Philadelphia, they were not satisfied, but they wanted to crop out and take hold of the contracts of this state. They would have us believe, gentlemen, that the old boundary lines of Pennsylvania that you and I were taught by the teacher in the little red school house, that Pennsylvania is bounded on the north by New York, on the east by New York and New Jersey, on the south by Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia, and on the west by West Virginia and Ohio, has been changed, and these two contracting powers, the heads of these factions, would have us believe, the citizens of this state believe, that the State of Pennsylvania is bounded on the north by Montgomery and Bucks Counties, on the east by the Delaware River, on the south by the Delaware River and on the west by Delaware and Montgomery Counties. Two years ago these factions brought to the members of this Legislature their dirty linen to be washed, and how effectively we did that work! We all agreed that it should be done, and we not only washed it, but we blued it and ironed it and sent it back to Philadelphia with instructions that these two factions get together and keep their linen unsoiled until we met here in 1917. When we met here for the organization of this House the same batch of dirty linen was in the clothes closet for our consideration, and I want to say to you, Mr. Speaker, and to my friend here, Mr. Cox, and to my friend, Mr. Williams, there could not have been said one word of truth against any one of you with regard to ability, honesty and integrity. With the assistance of the rural members, the members who represented the rural counties outside of the City of Philadelphia, they succeeded in organizing the House.

They wanted to demonstrate these two things and they did demonstrate them; first, that it matters little to the citzens of this State, outside of politicians, who collects the garbage as long as the actions of the garbage collectors don't become obnoxious to the taste of the decent citizens of this Commonwealth. The other thing that we demonstrated in the organization ofthis House for the session of 1917 was that we were not in the laundry business. It seems, from the arguments, that the impression has gone out that this resolution is aimed at the Governor of this Commonwealth. I want to say to you, frankly and candidly, that possibly I have known Governor Brumbaugh as long as most any member of this House. I knew him when in school work, not associated directly with him, but having him come to my institutes and by meeting him at educational meetings. I always had a high regard for him and I would be the last man to say anything disrespectful of him. I remember the campaign of 1914 when Dr. Brumbaugh was the candidate for the Governorship and I was a candidate for the Legislature and we had arrayed gainst us both, in Armstrong County, all the civic organizations of that county, and the ministers of the Gospel and the Anti-Saloon League and other civic and religious bodies were fighting both Dr. Brumbaugh and myself. I recall the same thing last fall, as in 1914, that I said to the people where I spoke that if you cannot support both of us, to vote for Brumbaugh because I know that he will make one of the best Governors this State has ever had and I have not lost faith in him up to this present moment. He has been good to me, he has returned that. I remember when I came down here in 1915, a big countryman that had never seen a legislative hall, when I was met with favor. I was met with the greatest kindness that could be bestowed on any man and before that session was over a

man purporting to come from the Executive Chamber literally fell upon my neck and kissed me and said, "Is there any position within our gift here that we can give you so that you may dwell here in the tents of wickedness all the days of your life?" I remember in the campaign of 1916, last year, I was again permitted to go into an agreement with the Governor of this Commonwealth and his friends in our county to keep down any opposition and to support my candidacy and to give me no opposition and the nice part about this is that they kept it up until about two or three days or until the last day before filing nomination papers; then they brought out a minister of the gospel and because I feel that I want to be charitable I say that I felt that they thought I should have some man to give moral training and approval with me through the campaign. No man could have been given greater consideration than that. I read in the papers, and I don't like to quarrel with newspapers or the press, but I take it that the journalism of this State and the public press has a function to perform, if directed in the right channel and is a greater agency for building up decent citizenship than the educational system of this State, but I am sorry to say that there are two newspapers in this State, one published in the eastern end, and the other in the western end, that is forgetting that functional duty and that left that elevating position and they have tried a paralyzing proposition by printing those things that are not true and which they know are not true but print them simply because they can sell their papers to people who are fanatics and want to read that kind of yellow journalism. I say, I read in one of those papers an accusation against our good Governor, concerning his private expenses in the expenditure of money which was appropriated to him. I want to say so far as I am personally concerned that I never saw a piece of tommyrot that quite equalled that in the way of anything calling for an investigation. For example, it calls attention to the fact that the Governor had used sixty dollars worth of cigarettes. Great Scott, if the Governor would see fit to smoke cigarettes he ought to have them and the State ought to pay for them. It has been printed that there was paid sixty-eight dollars for twenty cent cigars. Is that any reason why a little legislator should investigate, because he smokes a five cent Tom Keene cigar. They speak of another item, that Mrs. Brumbaugh spent seventy dollars on a little Hallowe'en celebration in Philadelphia. You know that a person cannot have very much of a time in Philadelphia for less than seventy dollars. These things are so silly that they should not be given any consideration. They speak about heads of departments. I presume that there has been some extravagance. Among them are men who are at the heads of these departments whom I know and I know that they represent the best citizenship of this State. Certain men may not be filling the positions for which they are prepared or for which they are qualified. A man is at the head of the State Highway Department who has a thorough knowledge of agriculture and another one is at the head of the Agriculture Department who knows nothing of agriculture and has spent almost his whole time in building roads. We see that there might have been a little better arrangement in those affairs, but those things are liable to happen all the time. When a man who makes these statements listens to factional politics all these matters must be considered. I am for this resolution for this reason: That Governor Brumbaugh and the heads of these departments and anyone else, as the resolution says, who has been accused of any wrong doing, shall have a chance to have themselves vindicated. If I say to a member of this House that I will make a certain accusation against you and you feel hurt about it, and you can go in the courts of justice of this State and say, "Here they blame me for doing certain things; I want you to prove me either guilty or innocent." You cannot do that. This commission formed by the passage of this resolution will create such a condition that any man or woman who is accused of wrongdoing in connection with the State Government can go before that commission and have themselves vindicated and when they have served their term of office, it may be either by election or appointment; after they have been vindicated, they can go back to their own town or county in which they reside, and they can gather the little family around the old fireside and they can hear the admonition of people all over this State saying, "Well done, good and faithful servant." I make this prediction: That the men who support this resolution will give men a chance to go home with clean shirts where they will receive from the constituents who have supported them the approval due them in the districts in which they reside.

Mr. GLASS. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I am not opposed to any investigation where an investigation is necessary to right a wrong, where a wrong has been committed; I am not here to defend any man who has committed a wrong, but as I read the Joint Resolution that is now before this body I can find nothing in it which accuses any man or set of men specifically. This is an insult to the intelligence of this body; it is an affront to the dignity and honor of this Commonwealth. What is this resolution? Look at the preamble, Mr. Speaker, and you will find that it says nothing; it means nothing. It is borne and conceived, as the gentleman from Philadelphia has well said, in spite and in malice. If an investigation is sought for, if they are honest in their purpose, let them make an investigation that would be fair, honest and just. We are not asking for charity. My friend from Philadelphia has quoted that great man when he says' "With malice toward none, with charity toward all." I am not here on the floor of this House asking charity for any man, but I stand here to-day, not as a Philadelphian but as a Pennsylvanian, in defence of the great name of Pennsylvania, asking common justice for the people and the citizens of Pennsylvania. I think that the citizens, that the public have been maligned; they have been defamed. Ah, the preamble read: "Whereas, statements have been made by reputable citizens and the responsible press of this Commonwealth." I ask the members of this House, who are these reputable citizens that are referred to in the resolution? Are they the reputable citizens who in the session of 1915 worked so strenuously and so assiduously to defeat the passage of the Workmen's Compensation Act? Are they the same reputable citizens who attempted to defeat the passage of the Child Labor Act? The same influences that were at work then, Mr. Speaker, are at work now. It is those very influences that we are here to contend with. If we are to have an investigation, as the gentlemen who are members of the bar well know, if we are to bring indictments against any one or any man or set of men I think we ought to say who the men are who are preferring the charges, what the charges are specifically, so that they may have an opportunity to answer. Is there any one specifically mentioned? By innuendo, the Executive of this Commonwealth has been mentioned. Now I take it, Mr. Speaker, that in all fairness and in all honesty, this resolution, if it is conceived in honesty of purpose, should state specifically what the accusations are and who are making them.

Now, I do not intend to take up the time of this House, Mr. Speaker, but there is no one who is running away from the truth as the gentleman from Philadelphia has said, If there has been any wrong-doing, if the men are called in the proper form and before the proper tribunal they can make answer to any charges that may be preferred against them, and I say in the name of common decency, in the name of honesty, I think we ought to be fair with ourselves, we ought to be fair to our constituency which sends us here, we ought to be fair to this Commonwealth and protect its fair name and vote down this resolution.

Mr. GOODWIN. Mr. Speaker we have heard a great deal upon the necessity of this resolution, about the necessity for this investigation. If ever an investigation was demanded within this Commonwealth it is imperatively demanded to-day. For weeks and months the public press has been full of charges and counter-charges and the eight millions of people throughout this Commonwealth are interested in seeing whether or not these charges be true; therefore public sentiment to-day imperatively demands this investigation.

In the debates on the other side we heard almost every other subject discussed but the real issue of the question. They talked about congressmen; they talked about a United States Senator; they talked about the resources of Pennsylvania, but the real question to-day is whether or not this investigation should be proceeded with. We have heard a great deal about a full and free and fair investigation. They seem to forget the dignity and the responsibility of the members of this House. We are here elected to repre-

sent eight million people but in their forgetfulness they talk about a free and fair investigation as though it were going to be a game of chance and as though it might be conducted as a game of cards. We are here called upon to do our sworn duty and the members of the proposed investigating committee, if it is proceeded with, will be sworn to do their duty and to obey the constitutional requirements, and I am at a loss to know what higher sanctity can be given to any member of the investigating committee than their oath that they will support the Constitution and do their duty.

This resolution has also been objected to on the ground that it was vague; that it did not mention specific departments, or any specific individuals. Well, gentlemen, are we required to put an index into this resolution? Are we required to point out specifically the charges that are to be investigated? No. Does our Federal Government send word ahead when it is going to send its bank examiners to a certain bank? No; they drop in in the most unexpected manner.

Now, in regard to the vagueness of this resolution I want to read to you from the resolution which investigated the building of this capitol building: "Whereas, statements have been made by certain public officials and others that the expenditures of moneys in connection with the construction and furnishing of the State Capitol have been grossly irregular, and also in excess of the amounts which could be lawfully expended for that purpose; and

Whereas, as a result of said statements, public sentiment imperatively demands that all the transactions connected with the erection, construction, and furnishing of the State Capitol should be fully investigated;"

That resolution was no more specific than the one before us to-day, but the investigation of that resulted in sending a number of those accused to the penitentiary and resulted, ultimately, in the recovery by this Commonwealth of hundreds of thousands of dollars. That resolution was no more specific than the one before us and it was not objected to on that account but it was proceeded with.

Another objection is that this investigating committee is not authorized or requested by any creditable authority. What creditable authority was there for that investigating committee that investigated this Capitol Building. There is no one creditable there set forth in that resolution.

I have been much amused at hearing the warnings about those who may happen to sit on the proposed investigating committee. We heard how members of other investigating committees have been defeated when they came up for reelection or how their majorities have been reduced. Reference has been made about the head of one investigating committee, that he was ostracised and had to go to New Mexico. Well, what fears the other gentlemen should have I do not know.

I do not know but during my experience as district attorney in my own county as long as I represented the Commonwealth I made it my duty to do my duty regardless of consequences. Now the question before us to-day is this: if this investigation is necessary to convict or charge an innocent man of a crime it would be a stain upon the public justice, a blot upon our statute books, but if any man who is connected with our State government be guilty of the charges set forth in this resolution he ought to be brought to justice. If the charges in this resolution are well founded let us clear the situation, and if any man be guilty let him be convicted and brought to justice but if he be innocent let him be vindicated, so I am in favor of going on with this investigation.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I reluctantly arise in my place to say a word or two on this resolution. Speaking about this subject the charge was made not very long ago that had I not been a candidate for Speaker of this House there would never have been any investigation. I want to apologize to my friends in this House for being a candidate. Had I known that such would be the case I do not believe I would have lent myself to be a candidate. Be that as it may, I am opposed to this resolution, in the first place, because it is absolutely narrow, unutterably small, unspeakably little and does not appeal to my sense of justice. I believe if we want to do anything we ought to do it in a calm, dignified manner, specifically presenting the charges against the person, naming him and quoting the authority, and bring it before the courts, and let us strike it out in an honorable gentlemanly way.

But let me warn the members of this House if this resolution is passed and should be signed, it will spell the death knell of the Republican organization in this State. It reminds me very much of the can of nitroglycerine that is placed upon the wagon with no springs. We are all on it, all the majority members are on the Republican wagon and one faction is attempting to blow the other faction up But let me remind you, that you will all be blown up, and an independent Governor, or a Democratic Governor will grace this State and rob the smaller men of the positions they are now enjoying, because we are bringing into this a factional fight that should not be here. We represent no particular party when we are upon this floor, and I challenge any man to claim that I represent any particular faction. I am working for the welfare of the State. True we worked for humanitarian legislation in the last session. If that has been the basic cause of this resolution I want to say "Amen" and I intend to fight against it, because I believe it is absolutely unfair that we should at this time support it. With that in view, Mr. Speaker, I would therefore move you that this resolution be dropped from the calendar.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, ———

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I arise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, my point of order is that there is a motion before the House.

The SPEAKER. The Chair has recognized the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern..,

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I made the motion before you had recognized the gentleman.

The SPEAKER. I do not like to state to the House why I recognized the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, but I feel ———

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker I withdraw my motion at this time.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a few minutes and I am going to state some facts that will probably gratify the curiosity of my friend from Montgomery County. I am going to make some specific charges for his benefit, and for the benefit of such others who are here and may want to know. In the first place in answer to my friend from Philadelphia, who stated that this contest arose and this resolution was brought into the House and is now before you, because of the last Speakership fight, let me say to you, and the past records of Pennsylvania's political history will bear me out, that the contest arose some time last spring when His Excellency had the audacity to become a candidate for the Presidency of the United State. He at that time came forward as the foremost citizen of this country and stepped out from the State capitol of Pennsylvania to become a figure in the national politics of the United States. Then we arose to fight him, and then, gentlemen of the House, I went from highway to highway, from hall and school, and every place where there was a platform in Philadelphia, and I then and there said, "gentlemen of this district, voters of Philadelphia, this man is not fit to be President of the United States, he is not even fit to be Governor of Pennsylvania. I will ask him some questions. I am a member of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania."

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, admit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STERN. When I am through, Mr. Speaker, I will answer anything the gentleman wants to know.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I will ask him all right.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, it was stated in that campaign, when his Excellency was a candidate for the presidency, that a certain man in Pittsburgh, whose name is Oliver, and there is no secret about it, gave him a thousand dollars towards his campaign expenses. It was stated that he was on a railroad train when he received that money and he said to the man alongside of him: "Look at this. Isn't this the knd if men to have send your campaign expenses?" That was stated in every newspaper in Pennsylvania. He never answered that, he never even found the letter that accompanied the

check. It was then stated further that another man in Philadelphia gave him five thousand dollars for campaign purposes. It was stated where that money was borrowed, it was stated who it was borrowed from, when and where it was borrowed, and how it was used. He never answered that. The only answer I have ever heard to any of those charges was one answer made by a certain gentleman who said, "I have confidence in the Governor and he never abused my confidence." And the Governor said, "I have confidence in this gentleman who loaned me the money." A couple of confidences.

And now, gentlemen, in the last session of the House, and I defy any man on any side of factional politics to deny what I am going to say, I was with Governor Brumbaugh on every legitimate proposition that he put forward and that he stood sponsor for. I voted for the child labor bill, I voted for the Workmen's Compensation. I believe I even talked for it on the floor of this House. The only thing in which I was against the Governor in 1915 was on the question of local option, and the reason I was against him on that I will tell you right now. I did not make a speech on the local option question. With me it was a question of the Governor's insincerity. He was a candidate on the ticket known as the Personal Liberty ticket. That ticket was composed of liquor dealers and liquor interests. I do not know any of them. I dare him to contradict that he was nominated on that Personal Liberty ticket and it was called to his attention that the liquor interests were behind that nomination by several reverend gentlemen in Pennsylvania. They told him about it and they said to him, "Doctor, you cannot run on this ticket. It is a liquor ticket." He said: "O well, we will see to that," and he did see to it. I will tell you what he did. He waited until it was a day too late and then he withdrew from that nomination. He then wrote a letter declining the nomination. That is what he did. After he got the votes and they were all counted for him. Everybody in this House knows that on that question he was insincere. There are other things that he could have gotten and could have passed his bills. everybody knows that, but he did not go far enough. He was not sincere enough.

But the Republican party—I believe I am as good a Republican as ever lived. I voted the straight Republican ticket every time I went to the polls and didn't care who was on the ticket. But let me tell you I am a Pennsylvanian before I am a Republican, and so far as I am concerned, if it is the last word I ever uttered, I would rather see a decent Democratic Governor in Pennsylvania than a rotten Republican Governor. That is the kind of a Pennsylvanian I believe I am. I believe the thing to do is to take this matter up and we will feel better for it. Let us take it up and get rid of it and purge Pennsylvania of all this unholiness or this so-called Godliness that goes stalking around under the guise and pretense of being really sincere and honest. I don't care what a man says or what pretense he makes as long as the man is honest and believes in what he says, as long as he has the courage of his convictions. But, Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, when we take a proposition of this kind, a man the metal this Governor is made of—he is a reverened minister of the gospel in the first place, holier than thou in the second place, and God Almighty of Pennsylvania in the third place—we expect something from a Governor of that kind. You don't expect him to be traveling around all over the United States and having the State of Pennsylvania paying his caddy fees, paying for the golf balls he uses, and the hotel bills for a thousand people or a hundred people, or whatever the number may be,—we do not expect him to be so cheap as to have his pants creased at the expense of the state. You expect him to be big, to be honest. But just one other word about the Governor of Pennsylvania,—and I would like you to bear in mind as I go through with this resolution that it does not attack the Governor of Pennsylvania. I am in favor of this resolution. It does not attack anybody, but for God's sake let us investigate and find out what is true.

The only reason I am speaking on the question ———

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman states that this resolution is not condemning the Governor, and I think the gentleman should talk on the resolution and not on the Governor.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Philadelphia will resume.

Mr. STERN. In response to the applause from the gallery, I will talk on the resolution. The resolution charges bribery and by the way perjury too. I do not know whether it is true or not, and would be the last man to condemn a person for it, and if he told me on his word of honor that it was not true, I would believe him. But let us have a commission to properly investigate it. It charges bribery in the last speakership fight. It does not mention the speakership fight, but it speaks of bribery and charges were made. I know of two jobs that two men got for their votes in the speakership fight. They did not get the jobs themselves, but in one case a man's brother got the ob and in another case the man's son got the job. Both of these men were known to be allied with one of the factions, but after the jobs showed up they were allied with the other faction. Further than that, both of these jobs are in the Insurance Commissioner's Department. Heads were lopped off. Men in the employ of the State for years and who rendered efficient services were suddenly found to be unfit and incompetent. The Banking Commissioner was discharged. A new insurance Commissioner was put in and a new Superintendent of Printing. Now, gentlemen of the House, I hope that you have found in the few words that I have tried to put before you something specific, some real reason, some honest cause, some idea, something that is big and real, why we should investigate. I want to say in closing that I hope it isn't true, but let us investigate and find out and purge the State of Pennsylvania.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia allow himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman, and I will read it, so as to get it correct: What was the answer of the Republican voters after you attacked the Governor of Pennsylvania while he was a candidate for President?

Mr. STERN. The Republicans re-elected me to the House of Representatives, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker, to those of us who are referred to as being on the other side of the chamber, this has all been very interesting. I tell you frankly, Mr. Speaker and my colleagues in this House, that I was entirely undecided as to what my course on this resolution should be until this very morning. I have had read to me the statements of the public press of this State, and Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of this House, if there is any body of gentlemen for which I entertain the highest regard it is the newspaper men—those men who furnish the news. I have been connected with newspaper men in my life, and although they are called falsifiers by people throughout the country, I feel that in a case like this they would not make such statements unless they were able to back them up. Mr. Speaker, we offered here in the beginning of this session a resolution in which we asked for a sweeping investigation. That resolution was defeated. I have no fault to find, it is a dead issue. We believed that at that time the resolution should have been passed. This resolution came along, and we endeavored to have that resolution amended on the floor of this House, but we found to our surprise and consternation that the gentlemen opposing this resolution by their vote declared the amendments unconstitutional and swept away the last chance we had for a sweeping investigation. Mr. Speaker, if they had voted with us this morning there is no question that the resolution would have been jammed through this House in accordance with their own wishes and desires, which is the one we should have in the place of this one. I believe there is not a man in the House who would not be for an investigation, but if he feels as was suggested that it should be a two-sided investigation, in what way are we as Democrats to know where this investigation is going to lead.

There is nothing in this resolution—there is nothing on the statute books that forces us to remain silent if there is anything that they can bring out to reflect upon the investigators. And we have a right to investigate and are in favor of this resolution. What care I for this factional quarrel? What care I for this garbage question? What care we what faction dominates the Republican party in

Pennsylvania? You never heard me referred to as a factionalist by any man or that I ever took the floor of the House and said anything that tinged of factionalism; there has never been any factionalism traced to me. I voted for the Governor's progressive measures, including his Local Option Bill. I am here because I am sincere in this amendment. We want an investigation and we Democrats cannot positively vote against this resolution without having it come back to us as a boomerang in the future. What excuse could I give back home by returning there and saying, "Oh, this is going to be a one-sided matter." The people at home know that there is no law that restrains those who are to be investigated from playing on the other side. We cannot say we tried to have an investigation; we made an honest effort. I charge the forces that are now controlling the administration as having balked that move and I sincerely trust that this resolution will pass. It matters not to me whether His Excellency signs this resolution when it is passed or not, I contend that it is my duty now and here at this moment to say that charges have been made and they ought to be investigated. Why, how can we explain to our constituents back home unless we ask and insist upon an investigation as a result of these charges. They asked me every day now, "Is it true that they do these things up there at Harrisburg?" I say, "I don't know whether it is or not. There are such charges; they have been made, such charges have been made and hinted at." Then they say, "Why don't you fellows get to the bottom of it and find out." There is no help for me or for any other man in this House who has an honest constituency, not to insist upon this investigation. I would be a mighty bad move for any of us to say there shall be no investigation. What have we to fear as Pennsylvanians? Why cannot we clean out or investigate these charges? We hear these charges and know that they are made and if the charges are not true then this investigation will give a stronger power, a more dominating influence to those men who are beng investigated. I desire to say this: That I have no knowledge of anything but what has been read to me of this resolution, or that any man has made charges to bring about this investigation and to urge this commission to investigate these charges. This is how I find it: How can any man draw up a resolution charging me or you or anybody else connected with this resolution with some offense unless he is positive that some offense has been committed? This man don't pretend to know everything; these charges don't pretend to be complete. They have never started out on that basis. We, as Democrats, dare not balk at that. We cannot stand in the light. They say these charges are biased; that they are one-sided and we say again there is nothing in the world, no matter what takes place, there is nothing to restrain the other side, if there are two sides, from going ahead voluntarily and giving the other side the story. What happens next, I would not like to say. We don't care who succeeds. We are not talking politics; we are talking Pennsylvania affairs. constituency, not to insist upon this investigation. It would Democrats on this side of the House will agree with me, that if there is an honest endeavor to investigate these charges that we would certainly stand in a very bad light and would be found wanting if we were to say now that these charges should not be placed into the hands of a commission. I ask, in conclusion, that all my colleagues will go along and support this resolution, that we may stand here, not only in our own party, but with the people of Pennsylvania as being sincere. Permit me to assure you that even in the Democratic strongholds of this state, they want this resolution and even down in my district they want this resolution and that is a district that has always stood for Governor Brumbaugh.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, now that we are intelligently informed about this resolution and are prepared to vote upon it, I move you, Sir, the previous question.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I second the call.

The SPEAKER. The previous question has been called for.

The motion was seconded by the following members: Messrs. Albee, Arthur, Baker, Baldi, Bennett, Beyer, Boulton, Bouton, Boyd, Brady, Corner, Cox, Dunn, Heffernan, Helt, Hess, Hollern, Ramsey, Robertson, Sarig, Scott, Charles A. Shaffer, West, Woodward, and others.

The SPEAKER. More than twenty members having joined in moving the previous question,

On the question,

Shall the previous question be now put?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Cox and Mr. McNichol.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I call for a verification of the roll.

The SPEAKER. The roll will be verified.

Whereupon, the roll was verified as follows:

YEAS—116.

Albee,	Goodnough,	Murdoch,	Smith, O. W.,
Baker,	Goodwin,	Murphy,	Snowden,
Baldridge,	Graham,	Neary,	Somerman,
Barner,	Haldeman,	Perry,	Sones,
Bechtold,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Spangler,
Bell,	Heyburn,	Powell,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Horton,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hough,	Richards,	Stofflet,
Bovee,	Jones,	Ringler,	Strauss,
Boyd,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Sullivan,
Brady,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Leary,	Robertson,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Urich,
Clements,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	McArdle,	Scott,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	McCaig,	Shaffer,	West,
Dawson,	McCollough,	Shattuck,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Wickman,
Donneley,	McPeake,	Siggins,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Mearkle,	Simpson,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	Mervine,	Sinclair,	Woodward,
Erdman,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,	Zanders,
Flynn,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,	Baldwin,
Fretz,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,	Speaker.
Gans,			

NAYS—80.

Aron,	Dell,	Jack,	Reitzel,
Arthur,	Dewey,	Jennings,	Reynolds,
Aston,	Drinkhouse,	Kennedy,	Rich,
Baldi,	Dunn,	Lohr,	Ross,
Benchoff,	Eby,	Malie,	Rothenberger,
Bennett,	Fackler,	Maurer,	Rudisill,
Bidelspacher,	Fowler,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer,
Black,	Franklin,	McKay,	Showalter,
Campbell, J. O.,	Geary,	McNichol,	Snyder,
Canon,	Glass,	McVicar,	Steedle,
Coldsmith,	Golder,	Mehring,	Sterling,
Conner,	Gormley,	Miller, Allen,	Stites,
Cook,	Haight,	Milner,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Walker,
Cox,	Helt,	Morgan, T.,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Hess,	Morgan, T. J.,	Walter,
Curry,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Wells,
Dale,	Horne,	Palmer,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, D. F.,	Howarth,	Patterson,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Isherwood,	Phillips,	Wylie,

So the question was determined in the affirmative and the first and only section agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF ANTHRACITE COAL IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the report of the Commission to Investigate the Increase in the Cost of Anthracite Coal in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(For report see appendix.)

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 3.10 P. M.) the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, February 14, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

Rabbi Louis J. Haas, of Harrisburg, offered the following prayer:

Our Heavenly Father, Thou Who art the source of all good and blessing, the fountainhead of wisdom and knowledge, we invoke Thy blessings upon this day's proceedings of this legislative assembly. We invoke Thy blessing upon the men who have gathered here from the various sections of this State to deliverate on and consider matters of most vital concern and interest to its citizens. May these deliberations tend to the uplift and advancement, material, intellectual and spiritual, of the men, women and children who are abiding within the confines of our State, whether they dwell in the smallest hamlet or in the most populous city.

Impress upon the members of this body the extreme responsibility which rests upon their shoulders, the sacred and bounden duty and obligation which devolves upon them; cause them to realize that in their hands, to a considerable extent, lies the destiny, yea the future, as well as the present, welfare and development of this Commonwealth. Imbue them with Thy spirit, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of knowledge and truth, of counsel and true statesmanship, of fear and trust in Thee.

At this critical period, a period fraught with momentous consideration and consequence, verily a time that is trying men's minds, hearts and souls, we are especially in need of Thy guiding hand and assistance, Thy protection and guidance. Cause us to rise to the supreme need of the hour, to prove ourselves broad minded, clear visioned and noble hearted. It is a time for sane deliberation and not for hasty action. Teach us so to act that it will redound not only to the glory of the legislative districts which the members of this Senate Chamber represent, not alone to the elevation and uplift of the Keystone State, in which we are so happy and proud to dwell, but to the glory and edification of these United States of America, of which each citizen is an integral and essential factor.

Send down Thy blessings, oh Heavenly Father, upon the members of this Senate Chamber, upon their wives and families, and all those near and dear to them, the citizens of our State and citizens of our country; may their efforts, the efforts of the members of this Senate Chamber, lead to a bigger, nobler, greater and better Pennsylvania, now and forevermore. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SONES, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. P. W .SNYDER asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Northumberland, Mr. McConnell.

Mr. W. W. SMITH asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Martin.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Crawford, Mr. Raymond E. Smith.

Mr. MAGEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens.

Mr. STEWART asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Clarion, Mr. Hindman.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. MAGEE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 147, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five), entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights; and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," as amended; by fixing the terms of city and county inspectors at four years; and regulating the terms of inspectors now in office.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 157, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such election.

Also, from the Committee on Finance, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 188, entitled

An Act authorizing executors, administrators, guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, 1916, its amendments or supplements.

Also, from the Committee on Finance, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 189, entitled

An act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks, under provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July 17th, 1916, its amendments or supplements.

Also, from the Committee on Finance, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, savings institutions, and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

Also, from the Committee on Finance, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes, approved the 13th day of May, A. D. 1915, and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt, roofing materials and building papers, or products and by products of coal and asphalt.

Mr. WHITTEN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 196, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the 13th day of June, A. D. 1911 (P. L. 903), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty

in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

Mr. CRAIG, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 148, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners; defining their duties, and providing for their expenses.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons; and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities, its officers and agents.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 197, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section six of Article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 143, entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the Courts of Common Pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

Also, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 144, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the 12th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 711), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the county of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process, or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof."

Mr. NASON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to validate all sales, public and private, and all mortgages of real estate of decedents, heretofore made under authority of orphans' court, upon petition of executors or administrators," approved the 10th day of April, 1915.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 206, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of Commissioners of Navigation for the River Delaware and its navigable tributaries, for two years, from June first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 207, entitled

An Act to authorize the acquisition by purchase or condemnation of lands for a park and the erection of a monument commemorative of Washington crossing the River Delaware, and for the appointment of a commission to acquire said lands and erect such monument and making an appropriation for the purpose of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LYNCH, for Mr. DeWitt, read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 208, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings for the payment of the cost of bridges erected in pursuance of proceedings under the act of May 5, 1911 (P. L. 177), entitled "An Act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to build bridges over any river, not more than one thousand feet and not less than five hundred feet in width, at localities not less than ten miles distant from the nearest public bridge over the same river, in counties whose indebtedness, increased by the cost of such proposed bridge, would exceed the constitutional limitation of two per centum of their assessed valuation."

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 209, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Johnstown City Hospital, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 210, entitled

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 211, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Boys' Industrial Home of Western Pennsylvania, located at Oakdale, Allegheny County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BALDWIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 212, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests, and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Which was committed to the Committee on Forestry.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 213, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the 20th day of April, A. D. 1874; entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such election.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 214, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the North Pennsylvania General Hospital and Sanitorium, located at Austin, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 215, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the South Side Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. W. W. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 216, entitled

An Act relating to the salaries and expenses of the examiners in the Department of Banking.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Mr. STEWART read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act for preventing the manufacture, sale, or transportation within the Commonwealth, of adultered or misbranded paris green, lead arsenates, lime-sulphur compounds and other insecticides, and also fungicides, and for regulating traffic therein; providing for inspection of such materials, and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 218, entitled

An Act relating to roads in townships and prescribing the duties of commissioners and supervisors.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act to authorize counties, cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men, and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection, alteration, addition and repair of public buildings.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE SENATE TO ORDER COPIES OF ADVANCE PRINTS OF THE ACTS OF 1917.

Mr. BUCKMAN offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Senate is hereby authorized to order for the use of the Senate, five hundred (500) copies of each of the advance prints of the Acts of 1917, as approved by the Governor and printed.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. SONES offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, February 14, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February nineteenth, at 9 o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February nineteenth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

BILLS ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 16, as follows:

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipeline, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air, or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one) entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" which reads as follows

"Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service Service of the notice may be accepted by the owner's attorney or the claimant his agent or attorney may serve the notice upon the owner in any of the methods now provided for by law in the case of a summons or if for any cause service by any of the aforesaid methods cannot be had then by posting the notice upon the property described in the claim and by mailing a copy thereof to the owner at his last known residence A failure to serve such notice or post it or have service accepted as herein provided and to file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim

And the amendments make thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Craig,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Magee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 88, on final passage, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the 26th day of July, 1913 (P. L. 1374), entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, re-location, or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the Commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such Commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the Commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said Commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the 19th day of June, 1911, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling

common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains,' by amending section nine thereof, repealing the act approved the 31st day of May, 1907, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act approved the 4th day of June, 1883, entitled, 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the 17th Article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations, may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars,' and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars, approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1907, and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the 29th day of April, 1874, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court, and conferring jurisdiction on the Superior Court to dispose of certain pending appeals.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relleving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county road; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 5, line 17, by striking out "now effected" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "not affected."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended, be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 37, as follows:

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Comonwealth to contract to repair build or re-build any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair building or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than two hundred and fifty dollars" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Catlin,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Craig,	Kline,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Crow,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
DeWitt,	Magee,	Sones,	
Endsley,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—2.

Leiby, Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 52, as follows:

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products and prescribing penalties.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is unlawful for any person corporation partnership or association to use in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products any bottle jar vessel or other package of another upon which is stamped blown or engraved the name title or mark of the owner after being notified by such owner not to so use them unless permission so to do is afterwards expressly granted

Section 2 Any person corporation partnership or association violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding one month or both at the discretion of the court If the violation is by a corporation partnership or association the officers or directors of such corporation or the members of such partnership or association its agents or employes with guilty knowledge of the fact shall also be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be punished as provided in this section

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Homsher,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem
Endsley,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 69, on third reading, entitled

A Supplement to the second section of An Act entitled "A supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distributions.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 74, on third reading, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 82, as follows:

An Act to amend secton three of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five) which reads as follows

"Section 3 The presiding judge shall appoint a chief probation officer whose salary shall not exceed three thousand dollars per year and such additional probation officers as the majority of the judges may determine at salaries not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year whose compensation shall be fixed by the majority of the judges of said court and whose powers and duties shall be similar to those heretofore exercised by probation officers appointed by the court of quarter sessions of the peace of said county In addition to such compensation the probation officers shall receive such expenses as may be necessary and shall have been approved by the judge of the juvenile court Said compensation and expenses shall be paid monthly out of the treasury of Allegheny county in the manner in which other county expenses are paid by law" shall be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The presiding judge shall appoint a chief probation officer whose salary shall not exceed three thousand dollars per year and such additional probation officers as the majority of the judges may determine at salaries not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year whose compensation shall be fixed by the salary board The presiding judge of the said court shall constitute a member of the salary board when such salaries are to be fixed The powers and duties of the probation officers as herein appointed shall be similar to those heretofore exercised by probation officers appointed by the court of quarter sessions of the peace of said county In addition to such compensation the probation officers shall receive such expenses as may be necessary and shall have been approved by the judge of the juvenile court Said compensation and expenses shall be paid monthly out of the treasury of Allegheny county in the manner in which other county expenses are paid by law

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 84, entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
DeWitt,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Magee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem
DeWitt,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 69, on page 4 of to-day's calendar, entitled

A Supplement to the second section of an act entitled, "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled, 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine,' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distribution.

which was put over in order in mistake for another bill of the Senator from Delaware, Mr. Sproul.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 69, as follows:

A Supplement to the second section of an Act entitled "A supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distributions.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Section two of the act of June twenty-eighth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five entitled "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide' revenue by taxation approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth" which reads as follows

"Section 2 On and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and annually thereafter there shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within the Commonwealth one-half of the net amount received from the two per centum tax paid upon premiums by foreign fire insurance companies The amount to be paid to each of the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs shall be based upon the return of the said two per centum tax upon premiums received from foreign fire insurance companies doing business within the said cities and boroughs as shown by the Insurance Commissioner's report Warrants for the above purposes shall be drawn by the Auditor General payable to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs in accordance with this act whenever there are sufficient funds in the State treasury to pay the same" be amended to read as follows

Section 2 On and after the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and annually thereafter there shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the several cities townships and boroughs within the Commonwealth the entire net amount received from the two per centum tax paid upon premiums by foreign fire insurance companies. The amount to be paid to each of the treasurers of the several cities townships and boroughs shall be based upon the return of said two per centum tax upon premiums received from foreign fire insurance companies doing business within the said cities townships and boroughs as shown by the Insurance Commissioner's report Warrant for the above purposes shall be drawn by the Auditor General payable to the treasurers of the several cities townships and boroughs in accordance with this act whenever there are sufficient funds in the State Treasury to pay the same

Section 3 Be it further enacted That from and after the passing of this act the Auditor General is hereby authorized to withhold payment of the amount appropriated to any city township or borough as herein provided

wherein there exists a duly organized firemen's relief association in conjunction with the regular approved fire department or fire company or fire companies of said city township or borough unless it shall appear that the said city township or borough has appropriated a sum equal to the amount disbursed under an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine and the supplement thereto prior to this amendment for the preceding fiscal year for the uses and purposes of the relief fund of said fire department or fire company or fire companies in said city township or borough and thereafter during each succeeding year an amount equivalent to the net amount payable to said city township or borough under Section one of this act

Section 4 If any provision of this act shall be held by any court to be unconstitutional such judgment shall not affect any other section or provision

Section 5 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Crow,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Daix,	McKee,	Sones,	
Endsley,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the court of common pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 98, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth"

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—1.

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A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 99, on third reading, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stocks, and upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations, co-partnership associations, and joint stock associations; providing the manner of collecting such tax, and prescribing penalties;" approved the 4th day of June, 1915; providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor-General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by said act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendents and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the offices and the enlisted men of the State police force as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, either in law or equity, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department, through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem
Endsley,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 114, as follows:

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates' passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate" approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all appraisement and setting aside of property real or personal made by three appraisers since the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen under article two of section one of an act approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates' passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate" are if otherwise lawful hereby validated and made as good in law as if they had been made by two appraisers

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 118, as follows:

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the several counties of this Commonwealth shall have power and they are hereby authorized whenever the commissioners or a majority of them shall by resolution duly adopted deem it expedient so to do and upon the approval thereof by a grand jury and by the court of quarter sessions as hereinafter provided to cause to be located constructed operated and maintained under the provisions of this act a public highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road or highways bridges tunnels subways or underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof and any highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road constructed under the provisions of this act shall forever thereafter be a county highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road and the duty of maintaining the same and keeping in repair shall devolve upon the county and the expense thereof shall be paid by the county as hereinafter provided

Section 2 Whenever the commissioners of any county shall resolve to construct any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road in accordance with the provisions of this act they shall cause to be prepared surveys and plans for said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road with an estimate of the cost and expense of the same and shall thereupon present such surveys plans and estimate or a copy thereof together with their petition to the court of quarter sessions of the county and upon the filing thereof the court shall direct notice to be given of the same substantially describing the location and termini of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road by publication at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in the county wherein said proposed public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road is to be constructed or if no newspaper be published in said county then in a newspaper or newspapers published in the nearest adjoining county of the time when said application is to be laid before the grand jury and after advertisement as aforesaid the said court shall cause the said application to be laid before the grand jury when in session and if a majority of said grand jury after a full investigation by the grand jury shall approve the same they shall certify their approval to the court whereupon the court shall fix such time for filing exceptions to said proceedings as the court shall deem proper and upon hearing thereof the said court may for cause shown disallow said application but if no sufficient cause be shown to the contrary said application shall be approved and said court shall thereupon order that said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road be constructed in accordance with the plans and surveys accompanying the said application and thereupon the right to proceed with said construction of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as set forth in said proceedings shall remain absolute

Section 3 For the purpose of making all necessary preliminary surveys in order to prepare such plans and estimates the commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth and the persons by them employed for such purposes shall and are hereby given the right to enter upon private or public property and designate by proper marks upon the ground the line and location of any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road proposed to be constructed under and for the purpose authorized in section one of this act

Section 4 In the location construction maintenance and operation of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road it shall be lawful for the several counties to enter upon take appropriate and use whatever land ground and property may be necessary for the proper construction thereof and of the proper approaches slopes fills embankments the damages therefor if any shall be taken into consideration and determined and reported by the said board of viewers in the manner herein provided

Section 5 When said application surveys and plans shall have been finally approved by such court and said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road ordered to be constructed as aforesaid the said county commissioners or a majority of them shall endeavor to agree with the persons or parties interested in the properties affected thereby as to the damages if any sustained by reason of the taking injuring or destroying such property and upon agreement being made the said county commissioners shall report the same to such court showing the amount of damages agreed to be paid and the names of the persons or parties to whom the same are payable and upon the approval thereof by such court the said damages shall be payable by said commissioners out of the moneys specifically raised for such purposes in the manner hereinafter provided

Section 6 In case the said commissoners or a majority of them and the parties interested in the land upon or under which said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road shall be or is to be constructed as aforesaid fail to agree upon the compensation to be made for the property so taken injured or destroyed by reason of such construction then upon petition of such commissioners or a majority of them or any person or parties interested in said proposed construction and whose property or land is affected thereby to a court of common pleas of said county the said court of common pleas shall appoint three disinterested freeholders residents of the county aforesaid as viewers and appoint a time not less than twenty nor more than thirty days thereafter when said viewers shall meet upon the line of the proposed construction and view the same and the properties affected thereby The said viewers shall give at least ten days' notice by publication in the newspapers aforesaid of the time and place of their first meeting and shall also give notice thereof by handbills posted in conspicuous places in the vicinity of the said proposed public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road

Section 7 The said viewers having been sworn or affirmed faithfully justly and impartially to decide and true report make concerning all matters and things to be submitted to them and in relation to which they are authorized to inquire under the provisions of this act and having viewed the properties connected with and affected by said proposed improvement shall hear all parties interested and

their witnesses and having due regard to the advantages and disadvantages shall estimate and determine the damages if any for the property taken used or appropriated and to whom the same are payable They shall give at least ten days' notice thereof in the manner herein provided to all parties interested of the time and place when said viewers will meet and exhibit their report and hear any exceptions thereto After making whatever changes are deemed necessary and proper said viewers shall make report to said court showing the damages if any allowed and file therewith a plan showing the properties acquired taken used and appropriated for the purpose aforesaid and the names of the parties or persons to whom such damages are payable The said viewers shall have the right to adjourn from day to day as may be found necessary and to administer oaths to all parties and witnesses appearing before them and desiring to be heard upon all matters connected with the construction maintenance repair change or extension of the public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground roads as aforesaid

Section 8 All damages found awarded or sustained for or on account of the construction maintenance and operation of any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road under the provisions of this act and all costs and expense thereafter incurred in repairing and maintaining such public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road shall be paid from the funds raised by taxation or by bonds as hereinafter provided and authorized

Section 9 The viewers provided for in the preceding sections may be appointed before or at any time after the entry taking appropriation or injury of any private property used and acquired in said construction The costs of said viewers and all court costs incurred including all advertising and notices shall be paid by said county and each of the said viewers shall be entitled as compensation to a sum not exceeding five dollars per day for every day necessarily employed in performing the duties herein prescribed

Section 10 Upon the report of said viewers or a majority of them being filed in said court any party in interest may within thirty days hereafter file exceptions to the same and the court shall have the power to confirm said report or to modify change or otherwise correct and amend the same or refer the same back to the same or new viewers with like power as to their report or within thirty days after the filing of any report in court the county commissioners on behalf of the county or any party whose property is taken injured or destroyed may appeal therefrom and demand a trial by jury and any party so interested may within thirty days after final decree and confirmation of said report by said court have an appeal either to the Superior or the Supreme Court according to law That said court of common pleas shall have the power to order and direct what notices shall be given in connection with any part of said proceedings and make such orders as it may deem requisite in the premises For the purposes of this act it shall be lawful for a majority of said board of viewers to hear determine pass upon and report all matters in this act relating to said viewers but all said viewers shall act unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable cause

Section 11 After said surveys and plans and the aforesaid applications to the court of quarter sessions shall have been approved by the court and the said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as decreed by said court of common pleas ordered to be made and constructed in accordance therewith the commissioners or a majority of them of the respective counties wherein said improvement is made or to be made and constructed shall invite proposals for the making and constructing of the same or such part or parts of same as the commissioners shall deem proper by publication in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in said county or if no newspaper published in said county then in a newspaper or newspapers published in the nearest adjoining county once a week for four consecutive weeks fixing a time therein when such proposals will be opened and contracts therefor awarded In addition to the notices so ordered to be given for publication there shall be posted in the office of said commissioners of the respective counties like notices as those now given inviting proposals for the construction and repair of all public highways and bridges The contract or contracts as aforesaid shall be awarded by the said commissioners or a majority of them to the lowest responsible bidder No contract shall be awarded for any of said public work until proper bonds shall be given for the faithful performance thereof by the person or persons to whom the same shall be awarded with proper security to be approved by said commissioners or a majority of them Any incorporated company doing business within any of said counties authorized by law to become security for persons or corporations may be taken and accepted as surety upon the bonds herein required to be given

Section 12 For the purpose of performing all necessary duties relating to the construction improvement maintenance and repair of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads herein authorized the said county commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized to employ or appoint proper persons to do all necessary and proper work connected therewith and shall fix the compensation of all persons so employed

Section 13 The said county commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized and empowered to make and enter into a contract or lease with any street railway or transportation company its successors and assigns for the concurrent use of such a portion of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as shall not substantially impair or restrict the public use and enjoyment thereof upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon Provided however That no such contract or lease for the concurrent use of a portion of such improvement shall be for a longer term or period than twenty years And provided further That no such contract or lease shall be made or entered into by the said county commissioners or a majority thereof affecting the public use and enjoyment of said improvement or any part thereof except upon and after any such contract or lease has been duly approved by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county

Section 14 The said commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized to levy assess and collect an annual tax of not more than two mills on the dollar on all real and personal property within said county now or hereafter taxable for county purposes for the purpose of acquiring and securing a fund from which to pay all costs damages and expenses required in locating opening constructing maintaining and repairing public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads constructed under the provisions of this act and the taking using and enjoying of such land as may be made necessary in constructing the same and in maintaining proper slopes embankmants approaches and termini for said public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and the money so raised shall not be used or expended for any other purpose than that named in this section All warrants for the payment of any portion of the money raised for the purposes aforesaid shall be issued by said commissioners or a majority of them in the manner now provided by law in the several counties upon estimates which shall be made from time to time by the person charged with such duty and the amount and time within which the same shall be paid shall be fixed and determined in the contract made for the public work herein authorized

Section 15 The several counties are hereby authorized when the county commissioners of the respective county shall by a majority vote resolve so to do to borrow money and to incur indebtedness to an amount in the aggregate not exceeding one-half of one per centum of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county as fixed by the last preceding assessed valuation thereof for the construction of such public highways bridges tunnels sidepaths and underground roads or for the purpose of funding any indebtedness incurred therefor and to issue as evidence thereof registered or coupon bonds payable within thirty years from the date of their issue and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum payable annually or semi-annually Said bonds shall not be sold for less than their par value and accrued interest

Section 16 Said commissioners or a majority of them are hereby authorized to make provision for a sinking fund to pay at maturity any bonded indebtedness which may be incurred as hereinbefore provided and to levy and collect taxes on all the taxable property in the several countes in addition to all other taxes for the purpose of paying the same

Section 17 Should any board of county commissioners in the exercise of the powers herein conferred deem it necessary or advisable to enter upon or appropriate any highway street or property of any city or borough in said county or take any other action affecting the property rights or authority of such city or borough for the purpose of constructing or maintaining a highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road or otherwise the consent thereto of such city or borough by ordinance shall be obtained before the actual entering in or upon or the appropriation of such street highway or property and after such entry and appropriation by any county as aforesaid said county shall be liable and charged with the supervision control and maintenance of said highway streets and properties or so much thereof as is taken and used for the purpose of constructing and maintaining such highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road

Section 18 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 120, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend sections twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 126, as follows:

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "Overseer of the poor" as used in this act means any person whose duty it is under existing laws to care for and relieve poor and indigent persons

Section 2 Overseers of the poor shall provide for the relief of indigent soldiers sailors and marines who served in the Civil War the War with Spain the Philippine Insurrection or the Boxer uprising in China and for the relief of the families of such persons and the families of deceased soldiers sailors and marines in the manner hereinafter provided

Section 3 The commander of any organization composed of war veterans undertaking the work of relief provided for in this act shall before any such relief is granted and annually thereafter during the month of February file with the clerk of the proper city or borough or with the overseer of poor of the proper district a notice setting forth that the organization intends to undertake the work of relief provided for by this act and the names of the commander quartermaster and relief committee of such organization

Section 4 Upon the written request of commanders and quartermasters of organizations composed of war veterans the overseers of the poor of the proper district shall furnish such sums of money as may be reasonably necessary for relief of the indigent veterans and their families and the families of deceased veterans

Section 5 Before any relief is granted in any case the commander and quartermaster of such organization shall file with the overseers of the poor a statement setting forth (a) the name and address of the person for whom relief is desired (b) if a veteran the organization that he served in (c) the length of time such person has resided within the Commonwealth (d) the cause of the indigency if practicable (e) the approximate period during which such indigency will continue (f) a certificate by the relief committee of such organization stating that an investigation of the case has been made and that it is the opinion of the committee that the person is in actual need of relief

Section 6 No relief shall be granted under this act unless the person for whom the same is requested has been a resident of this Commonwealth for at least six months At the end of the period approximated if the person is still in need of relief a new statement shall be filed

Section 7 Where no organization of veterans exists in a city or borough the proper overseers of the poor may accept the statement of the commander and quartermaster of the organization located in the nearest city or borough

Section 8 If more than one such organization exists in any borough or city and such organizations have a joint or central association the officers of such joint or central association may make the request and file the statement required by sections four and five of this act Where more than one such organization exists in a city or borough and such organizations maintain no joint or central association the commander of each such organization shall furnish as soon as possible to each of the other organizations the names of all persons to whom relief has been granted through his organization

Section 9 In urgent cases any such organization which has complied with the provisions of section three of this act may advance such sums as the relief committee and commander may deem necessary not to exceed the sum of ten dollars Overseers of the poor shall reimburse any such organization upon the filing of the statement required by section five of this act

Section 10 Overseers of the poor may require the commander of any such organization to execute a bond in a reasonable sum with good security for the faithful accounting for all funds received

Section 11 Commanders of such organizations shall require vouchers from persons to whom relief is granted Such vouchers shall during the month of October of each year be open to the inspection of overseers of the poor who may require the commander or quartermaster to make oath that the case in question was investigated and in his opinion was worthy of relief

Section 12 In the month of December of each year each commander shall file with the person with whom the notice required by section three was filed a detailed statement showing the names of the persons to whom relief was granted and the amounts received The statement shall be verified by oath or affirmation Any wilfully false oath or affirmation shall be perjury and punishable as such Any commander refusing to make the statement required by this section within one week after written request therefor by the person entitled thereto shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars to be recovered as sums of like amount are now by law recoverable

Section 13 Overseers of the poor are prohibited from sending indigent veterans or their families or the families of deceased veterans to any almshouses or orphan asylum without the consent of the commander or relief committee of an organization having jurisdiction as provided in this act

Section 14 Indigent veterans their families and the families of deceased veterans shall whenever practicable be provided for at their homes Indigent veterans not insane and who have no families or friends may with the consent of the overseers of the poor commander of any such organization and the veteran be sent to any soldiers' home and the transportation and other necessary expenses for such veteran shall be paid by the overseers of the poor

Section 15 Any indigent insane veteran shall upon the recommendation of the commander and relief committee of any such organization be sent to any insane asylum and be cared for as provided for indigent insane

Section 16 The Department Commander of an organization composed of war veterans shall annually on or before the fifteenth day of January report to the Governor such transactions of their respective organizations relating to the subject matter covered by this act as may be of interest to the organization and the people of the Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 155, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 194, as follows:

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever by reason of the absence incapacity or inability of the head or chief of any of the departments of the State Government to perform the duties of his office or whenever a vacancy in the office of the head or chief of any of the departments of the State Government occurs the duties of the head or chief of such department shall be performed by the deputy chief clerk or other person next in authority until such disability is removed or the vacancy filled

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 63, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 507), entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes, and, in cities co-extensive with counties, for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of the same; providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith; and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 75, entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight) entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 186, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire department in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert J. Moore, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Clinton, County of Venango, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice H. J. McKinley, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Percy Cooke, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
John F. Boyd, Pittsburgh, March 13, 1917.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

S. F. Clark, Freeport, March 11, 1917.

CLARION COUNTY.

S. K. Clarke, Clarion, March 3, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Wm. Blanning, Williamstown, February 27, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Charles C. Brevillier, Erie, February 26, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

John F. Ruth, Lititz, March 10, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

A. G. Shoener, Zerbe Township, March 10, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

S. C. Abernethy, Philadelphia, March 3, 1917.
Benjamin Rathner, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Samuel A. Topham, Philadelphia, March 20, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

C. C. Lee, Pittsburgh.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Miss Alvira Bortman, Beaver.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

H. P. Newell, Towanda.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Sherman F. Peacock, Bloomsburg.

ERIE COUNTY.

James P. Rossiter, Erie.
John C. Smith, Erie.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles T. Hoyt, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. PHIPPS,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to the proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting upon the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. PHIPPS,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion,

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McNichol,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House had concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 14, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be so reconvene on Monday evening, February nineteenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February nineteenth, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 54 (Senate Bill No. 220), entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, President-elect of the United States, to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen; and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff, and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 61 (Senate Bill No. 221), entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year, ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts, page thirty-three), providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 11.30 o'clock A. M.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed the Senate will be in order.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, by request, read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 222, entitled

An Act to further amend part of section four of an act, approved the fifth day of March, one thousand nine hundred six, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities and to provide penalties for violation of its provisions," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 220 (House Bill No. 54), entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senate Bill No. 220 (House Bill No. 54), the bill just reported from committee, be read the first time, this being the bill providing an appropriation for the National Guard at the inaugural ceremonies of the President of the United States.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 220 (House Bill No. 54), entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimons consent that Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), the bill just reported from committee, be read the first time, this being the general deficiency bill.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 222, entitled

An Act to further amend part of section four of an act approved the 5th day of March, one thousand nine hundred six, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and to provide penalties for violation of its provisions," as amended.

RECESS.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 12 o'clock noon.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 134 (Senate Bill No. 223), entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder, of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 218 (Senate Bill No. 224), entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Printing.

House Bill No. 7 (Senate Bill No. 225), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 69 (Senate Bill No. 226), entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 122 (Senate Bill No. 227), entitled

An Act to amend Section 16 of an act approved the 28th day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act," to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Printing.

House Bill No. 1 (Senate Bill No. 228), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.03 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, February 19, 1917, at 9 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, February 14, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. M. D. Lichliter, offered the following prayer:

Day unto day utterth speech and night unto night showeth knowledge; the heavens declare Thy glory and the firmament showeth Thy handiwork. We bless Thee for this beautiful morning, for the blessing of the present life and for the promise of the life which is to come. Bless this legislative body; bless the Speaker in the performance of his duty; bless the officers and all associated with them in the direction of this body; bless the membership of the body, may their lives and in their actions their families be preserved. Hear us in our prayer, pardon us of our sins, we ask in Jesus name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Milliron the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

FAVORING THE PAYMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE FEES TO COUNTIES FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

Mr. McCULLOUGH presented the petition of Pomona Grange No. 17, praying that legislation be enacted for the payment of license fees of motor vehicles to the counties for road purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

FAVORING PROTECTION OF GAME BIRDS.

Mr. McCULLOUGH presented the petition of Pomona Grange No. 17, praying that legislation be enacted protecting the game birds.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

FAVORING INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mr. KENNEDY presented petitions of the Rochester School District, the Ambridge School District, the Monaca School District and the Darlington School District, favoring an increased appropriation to the public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 33 (House Bill No. 422):

An Act to amend Article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue, and repealing all laws general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty, both inclusive.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

Senate Bill No. 96 (House Bill No. 423):

An Act to amend section nine of Article seven of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Which was referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 9 (House Bill No. 424):

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence, and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

Which was referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. House Bill No. 382.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Luzerne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. CUMMINS. House Bill No. 383.

An Act concerning industrial banks, defining the same and providing for their incorporation, powers, supervision and control.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 384.

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. THOMAS. House Bill No. 385.

An Act making an appropriation to the Wyoming Valley Homeopathic Hospital at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 386.

An Act to quiet the title to real estate; and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 387.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Women of Western Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 388.

An Act regulating the compensation of court criers and tipstaves, in counties containing a population of more than seventy thousand and not over ninety thousand inhabitants; providing for the payment of the same by the particular county; and limiting the number of tipstaves to be regularly appointed; and providing for the appointment of tipstaves temporarily.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 389.

An Act making an appropriation to the Passavant Memorial Homes, at Rochester, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 390.

An Act providing for the trial of certain crimes and offenses before aldermen, justices of the peace and magistrates and a jury of six; regulating the proceedings thereof; and imposing certain duties and powers upon aldermen, justices of the peace, magistrates and constables.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 391.

An Act making an appropriation to the Rochester General Hospital, at Rochester, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 392.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth,' approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five; authorizing and establishing a board of Recreation, for the creation, organization, care, management, conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class, except as herein provided," approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and thirty-nine), by changing the number of the members of the Board of Recreation, their length of term and the officers to be elected.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 393.

An Act to provide for the establishment and government of six correctional institutions to be known as the Pennsylvania State Farm of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth districts, respectively, providing for the care and confinement of prisoners therein, and the transfer of prisoners thereto, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 394.

An Act relating to sales on the installment plan; providing for a rebate on the purchase price in certain cases by the vendor or lessor to the purchaser or lessee; and providing a procedure for the determination and collection of the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 395.

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," by providing for the removal or recall of persons holding the office of mayor or councilman, and conferring certain duties and powers upon the county commissioners and court of quarter sessions.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 396.

An Act to amend part of section one, article twenty, of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulating, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 397.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Columbia.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 398.

An Act relating to the collection of county taxes in cities of the third class; providing for a notice of taxes due; and providing for rebates and penalties on such taxes in certain cases.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 399.

An Act amending the first and seventeenth sections of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith, and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes," relating to taxing bonds, mortgages, and other securities and also by removing the exemption of life and fire insurance corporations having no capital stock, from the provision of the act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 400.

An Act to protect the public health by prohibiting the use of public cigar cutters.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 401.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of York.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 402.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of York.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LAUCKS. House Bill No. 403.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of York.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LAUCKS. House Bill No. 404.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of York.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. DAWSON. (By request). House Bill No. 405.

An Act to amend the section one of an act approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to judgments and prescribing the duties of prothonotaries in connection therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 406.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Seaman's Friend Society, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McKAY. House Bill No. 407.

An Act relating to the issue of marriage licenses and the applications therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 408.

An Act making an appropriation to the West Philadelphia General Homeopathic Hospital and Dispensary, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JOHN P. WILLIAMS. House Bill No. 409.

An Act to compel land owners in townships of the second class to clear the highways abutting on their land of brush and trees; and imposing certain duties and liabilities on township supervisors.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. WEIMER. House Bill No. 410.

An Act to locate and establish a certain section of State Highway in the County of Lebanon, and providing for the construction, improvement and maintenance thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HEFFERNAN. House Bill No. 411.

An Act to abolish all taxes for State purposes laid upon all scrip, bonds, or certificates of indebtedness issued by any county, city or borough, township, school districts, or other incorporated districts of this Commonwealth, by and under the revenue laws of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HEFFERNAN. House Bill No. 412.

An Act prohibiting any officer, member, or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics, political movements or elections, from canvassing election precincts, or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics, political movements, or elections, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 413.

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred nine, entitled "An Act to provide for State registration of nurses, to establish a State Board of Examiners in connection therewith, and to provide penalties for the violation of certain provisions regarding such registration," and also an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for State registration of nurses, to establish a Stae Board of Examiners in connection therewith, and to provide penalties for the violation of certain provisions regarding such registration,' approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine; providing further regulation as to applications for examination for registration of nurses and the fee chargeable therefor, and providing for the making of reports of training schools for nurses whose competency for instruction is approved by the said board."

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 414.

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation and prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a public service commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or aboltion ,and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested, the State or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing the terms, salaries and compensation of the members of the commssion, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas,

and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions, mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission, and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled, 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars; and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the proviso of clause seven of section thirty-four of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act;" providing for switch and other connection between the lines of street railway companies and railway lines owned, leased or operated by municipal corporations, when required by the Public Service Commission; providing for the establishment of through routes and joint rates over such connecting lines; and prescribing and defining the duties of the Public Service Commission relating to such connections, through routes and joint rates.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. LEE SMITH. House Bill No. 415.

An Act making an appropriation to the Uniontown Hospital of Uniontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEE SMITH. House Bill No. 416.

An Act making an appropriation to the Uniontown Hospital of Uniontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 417.

An Act to amend section ten of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws, four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking up property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for the purchase of, acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for the percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," by providing that roads, streets, or highways improved or reconstructed as State Highways, or as State-aid highways prior to the passage hereof, and forming a part of a State Highway in boroughs and incorporated towns, shall be maintained by the State Highway Department in the same manner as State Highways in townships; and reserving to boroughs and incorporated towns the right to make police regulations governing streets and highways improved by the State Highway Department.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 418.

An Act fixing the fees of the recorder of deeds in counties containing a population of not less than two hundred thousand, nor more than five hundred thousand inhabitants.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. McCULLOUGH. House Bill No. 419.

An Act to provide for the pensioning of soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States from Pennsylvania in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one to sixty-five, fixing the rate of said pensions, the manner of obtaining same, and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

By Mr. McCULLOUGH. House Bill No. 420.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a Commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of the borough of Butler, Butler County, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Centennial Affairs.

By Mr. NEARY. House Bill No. 421.

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Aid Society of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 425.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and election for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and election for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and heretofore amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 426.

An Act to amend section five of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties;" providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United Staes; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violations of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein; and repealing inconssitent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, as amended by an act approved the eighteenth day of June A. D. 1915.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 427.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Home for Babies.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 428.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Newsboy's Home, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. URICH. House Bill No. 429.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lebanon Sanatorium of Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 430.

An Act making an appropriation to the Prison Labor Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 431.

An Act making an appropriation to the Harrisburg Hospital, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 263.

An Act amending sections two, four, eight and nine of an act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, six hundred fifty-six), entitled "An Act providing a system of employment and compensation for the inmates of the Eastern Penitentiary, Western Penitentiary, and the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon, and for such other correctional institutions as shall be hereafter established by the Commonwealth, and making an appropriation therefor;" fixing the salaries of the members of the Prison Labor Commission; requiring the several State institutions to purchase materials and supplies from the Prison Labor Commission; providing for the payment of certain sums to dependents of prisoners; and permitting prisoners to draw moneys for present needs.

Re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. MAURER, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the employment of persons in compressed air work.

Mr. DUNN, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for, or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to present a communication from His Excellency, the President of the United States.

The communication was read as follows:

The White House.

Washington, February 13, 1917.

My dear Mr. Garvin: The President asks me to make cordial acknowledgment of the copy of the resolution adopted by the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, which you were good enough to send him, and to assure you and everyone concerned that he genuinely appreciates this generous pledge of support.

With an expression of the President's grateful thanks, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. TUMULTY,
Secretary to the President.

Hon. Thomas H. Garvin,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

SENATE BILL NO. 1 MADE SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I move you that House Bill No. 326 (Senate Bill No. 1) be made a special order of business for 11.30 A. M. to-day.

Mr. CONNOR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

GRANTING THE USE OF THE HALL OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. RAMSEY asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

Resolved, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be given to the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs for Wednesday evening, February 14th, at eight o'clock.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask unanimous consent to consider a bill out of place at this time. The bill is on the third page of the calendar, House Bill No. 54. It is a joint resolution providing for the appropriation of $35,000 for the expenses of the National Guard at the Inauguration. The Adjutant General tells me that if this appropriation is to be available in time to send the National Guard to the Inauguration that the bill will have to be passed by the House to-day in order to get it through in time, and I ask unanimous consent to consider it now for that reason.

The SPEAKER. Is there any objection? The Chair hears none.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 54, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—192.

Albee,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bell,	Glass,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Milner,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haight,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Stern,
Boyd,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Hess,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rich,	Walker,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Walter,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Curry,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dale,	Lewis,	Robertson,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCullough,	Schaeffer,	Wylie,

Drake,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Shaffer,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McNichol,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 61, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act,

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—194.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Aron,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Benehoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Spangler,
Black,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Brady,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stoffiet.
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Clements,	Horton,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Powell,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rich,	Walter,
Dale,	Laucks,	Richards,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Wynne,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKay,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

SENATE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, February 14, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February nineteenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February nineteenth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 134, entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder, of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—196.

Albee,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aston,	Flynn,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Helt,	Neary,	Stern,
Brady,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stoffiet.
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Horton,	Powell,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walter,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Weimer,
Dale,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Showalter,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 218, as follows:

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

Whereas By reason of the great demand by the people of this Commonwealth for the pamphlet containing the Game the Fish and the Forestry laws of this Commonwealth the many proposed changes of the same and additions thereto and that the people of the State be given the opportunity to become acquainted with these laws as quickly as possible after their enactment therefore

Section 1 Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) That the Secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners of the Commonwealth be and is hereby directed to prepare the data and as soon as possible after the close of its session present the same to the Superintendent of Public Printing who shall at the expense of the State have published in pamphlet form one hundred thousand (100,000) copies of said laws together with such letter of instruction or explanation by those entrusted with the care of our game our forests and our fish as may seem necessary these pamphlets to be placed by the Division of Distribution of Documents in numbers as provided by law

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—197.

Albee,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Black,	Gransback,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Musser,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stern,
Brady,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hess,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horne,	Powell,	Thomas,
Clements,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Weimer,
Curry,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wells,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Schaeffer,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Showalter,	
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration or House Bill No. 69, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have some information on this bill from the sponsor thereof.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Crawford, Mr. Shattuck, will probably give the gentleman from Philadelphia the information desired.

Mr. SHATTUCK. Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to give the information which the gentleman from Philadelphia asks. This bill is to increase the salary of the Chief Clerk of the Banking Department from $1800 to $2,000 a year; of four clerks who are receiving $1400 to $1600; of three stenographers from $1,000 to $1200 a year; and one messenger from $1200 to $1400; making a total addition to the salaries for the year of $1800. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, the salaries in this Department have not been advanced for at least ten or twelve years. The work that is thrown into their department at this time is more than five times what it was ten years ago. They have only added to that force one clerk and one stenographer, and all that is asked is an advance of two hundred dollars a year or sixteen dollars a month and, owing to the high cost of living, I believe they should have it.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—182.

Albee,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Aron,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bell,	Gormley,	Milner,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hess,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Steedle,
Brady,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Horne,	Perry,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Horton,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hough,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Clements,	Howarth,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Conner,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Sweitzer,
Corbin,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Thomas,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Urich,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Curry,	Leary,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Dale,	Lewis,	Richards,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Malie,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dean,	Mangan,	Robertson,	West,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Schaeffer,	Wood,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McVicar,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—6.

Benchoff,	Christman,	Isherwood,	Williams, G. W.
Chestnut,	Eby,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 122, as follows:

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties regulat-

ing the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act" which section reads as follows

"Section 16 Documents shall be distributed in the following manner only Personally to those entitled thereto or to their duly authorized agent Upon the requisition of any member or principal officer of the General Assembly at any time during the term of his office any document requested shall be delivered by mail or otherwise to the address of the person indicated in such requisition Due credit shall be given to the respective member or officer by stamping in the front of such document "compliments of John Doe" member or officer of the Senate (or House of Representatives as the case may be) Such stamps shall be furnished by the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings This however shall not prevent any member or officer from having one in every five or fractional part of five of his allotment of the different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire The Chief Clerk of the Senate the Librarian of the Senate the Chief Clerk of the House and the Resident Clerk of the House may in their discretion requisition their documents singly or in bulk" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 16 Documents shall be distributed in the following manner only Personally to those entitled thereto or to their duly authorized agent Upon the requisition of any member or principal officer of the General Assembly at any time during the term of his office any document requested shall be delivered by mail or otherwise to the address of the person indicated in such requisition Due credit shall be given to the respective member or officer by stamping in the front of such document "compliments of John Doe' member or officer of the Senate or House of Representatives as the case may be Such stamps shall be furnished by the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings This however shall not prevent any member or officer from having all or any part of his allotment of the different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire The Chief Clerk of the Senate the Librarian of the Senate the Chief Clerk of the House and the Resident Clerk of the House may in their discretion requisition their documents singly or in bulk.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—192.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Fackler,	McKay,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aston,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allen,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sones,
Black,	Gransback,	Milner,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hess,	Musser,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horne,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Horton,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Howarth,	Powell,	Urich,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wells,
Dale,	Laucks,	Rich,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Richards,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Ringler,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Zanders,
Eby,	McCaig,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—187.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aron,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bennett	Golder,	Milner,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Helt,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Hough,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Howarth,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jack,	Richards,	Walter,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rininger,	Wells,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	West,
Dale,	Lanius,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Snyder, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong

Whereas The State Highway Department by an agreement wtih the county commissioners of Armstrong County and the supervisors of certain of the townships in such county agreed to build a part of the State Highway route numbered two hundred and three located as hereinafter described which State highway was to be constructed and improved in the method provided by existing law for the construction and improvement of State highways in the same manner as State-aid highways and

Whereas Subsequent to such agreement it was held in an opinion of the Attorney General that the construction and improvement of all State highways constructed and improved in the same manner as State-aid highways must be paid for from funds appropriated for the construction and improvement of State highways and

Whereas Under the above mentioned agreement it was the intention of the State Highway Department to construct and improve said road from funds appropriated for State-aid highway purposes and at that time available for State-aid highway purposes in the County of Armstrong and

Whereas Owing to the defect in the law and the inability of the State Highway Department to use said funds then available from Armstrong County for the construction and improvement of said particular State highway said agreement between the County of Armstrong and the township authorities and the State of Pennsylvania has never been consummated therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of forty-five thousand nine hundred ninety-two dollars and ninety-one cents ($45,992,91) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department for the purpose of constructing and improving that part of the State highway Route numbered two hundred and three located and running between the southern boundary of the borough of Kittanning and the northern boundary of Ford city in the County of Armstrong The amount hereinabove mentioned is appropriated from funds heretofore appropriated for State-aid highway purposes and now available for the purpose of constructing and improving State-aid highways in the County of Armstrong

Section 2 The State highway between the points designated in section one of this act shall be constructed and improved under existing laws in the same manner as a State-aid Highway Department and the County of Armstrong and the township or townships in which such road is located or by an agreement between the State Highway Department and the County of Armstrong as the case may be

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this bill possibly requires some little explanation to show to the members of this House that it is not appropriating any other money except the money due Armstrong County. We have a piece of state highway extending between the southern boundary of the county seat and the northern boundary of Ford City, a town of over five thousand inhabitants, a town in which is located the largest plate glass works in the world, and possibly one of the worst pieces of state highway in the State of Pennsylvania. For over ten years we have been promised by those in authority that this piece of road should be improved. Several times during those years the authorities have gone so far as to secure the rights of way, to draw the plans and get to the point of advertising for bids for the construction of the road. About a year ago, at the supervisors' convention of our county, when our deceased friend, Mr. Cunningham, the Highway Commissioner at that time, was asked what would be the best thing to say at that convention, the supervisors from all over the county informed him that if he could promise the construction of this road it would be the most satisfactory thing that he could say, and Mr. Cunningham gave us at that time a promise, and I believe in sincerity he intended to improve the road. The rights of way were secured, or nearly all of them, and where there was any trouble the Businessmen's Association of Armstrong County agreed to put up bond against any damages that might be incurred. The time of advertising the bids had arrived and the Attorney General of this State gave a decision that state-aid money could not be used for state highway purposes.

However, I find under the act of 1913, that the practice has been followed before throughout this state and I believe I am correctly informed that it has been since that decision has been made. The people of Armstrong County feel that they have been discriminated against in the construction of this road. The money that I ask here to be appropriated is state-aid money that is due Armstrong County which has accumulated in the last six or eight years. I have the information from the State Highway Department that they have kept this fund intact and it belongs to our county. My bill provides that it be transferred from the state-aid fund to the state highway fund for the purpose of constructing this particular piece of road. We are appropriating our own money for the purpose of constructing this much-needed road between Ford City and Kitanning. I want further to say that I believe seventy-five per cent. of the citizens of Armstrong County feel that the first piece of road that should be improved in our county is this particular road, Route No. 203, and until such time comes as we have that out of the way we cannot have any hope of building any other roads in our county.

To show that this is not a vain idea of my own, I wish to present to the members of this House a petition which was signed by the citizens who live in the immediate vicinity of this road. This petition was signed by the men whose names appear on it, thousand of them, in three days' time. Had we taken more time we could have secured more names, to show that this is not an idle fancy of mine, we could have obtained a petition that would have extended clear around the Capitol. Since that time I have received a number of additional petitions which I have in my desk. Gentlemen, of the House, I ask you kindly to support this measure.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—186.

Albee,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Milliron,	Snowden.
Bell,	Golder,	Milner,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Black,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stites,
Boyd,	Hess,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Ulsh
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Conner,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jones,	Richards,	Walter,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wells,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rinn,	West,
Dale,	Leary,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Wylie,
Drake,	McCullough,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders.
Dunn,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKinney,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McNichol,	Shunk,	

NAYS—2.

Corbin, Snyder,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 162, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the bill pass finally?

Mr. CANON. Mr. Speaker, I should like a little information on this bill before I vote on it, as to why this money should be appropriated to a particular township or county.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, this appropriation is asked for one of the few Indian Reservations that is left in Pennsylvania. This reservation lies along the river. The land contained in this reservation is not subject to taxation, and there is no revenue from it at all. It has been customary for years back for the legislature to appropriate, for the State to appropriate, to the Supervisors of Elk Township a sum of money, $200.00 per year, to be applied upon the care of these roads in this reservation, which is public land. This act which I have prepared here contains an additional provision to the previous legislation, an appropriation of $500.00 per year. This is included for this reason: That Corn Planter Run, which is a small run which runs through the reservation, overflows every year and destroys the work which the supervisors have perviously done on the road. That is the reason for the increased appropriation. The measure is simply the same appropriation that is made by this legislature every two years. If I have not made it entirely clear I will be glad to do so.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—190.

Albee,	Erdman,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Golder.	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Sones,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boyd,	Helt,	Neary,	Stites,
Brady,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Christman,	Horton,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Richards,	Wells,
Curry,	Laucks,	Ringler,	West,
Dale,	Leary,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The SPEAKER. The hour of 11.30 A. M. having arrived, the House will proceed to the special order of business set for that hour.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 326 (Senate Bill No. 1), entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a commtitee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

And the said bill having been read at length three times on three separate days, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, last December while I was still teaching school two of my boys happened to get into a scrap on the way from school. My attention was called to the matter and the next morning, after the opening exercises, I called them up to the desk. The testimony ran something like this: The one boy said to the other boy, "You took my leadpencils." The other boy hurled back, "You are a liar." And the other boy returned with, "You lie when you call me a liar." I stopped the testimony then and there and sent them back to their seats with this admonition: I said, "Boys, take your seats, and study your lessons; you have a bright future before you because some day you will be the Republican leaders of the State of Pennsylvania."

After I listened to all this discussion and to all this mud-slinging here on the floor of this House yesterday afternoon, I concluded that I had been right with the boys and that I was a prophet without knowing it. Now, so far as the bill is concerned, inasmuch as I have made several efforts to get a different kind of investigation from what this joint resolution proposes, I deem it my duty at this time to explain my vote and the vote of a large number of the minority on this measure to-day. In the first place these charges began to be hurled back and forth about three or four weeks prior to the organization of this House. The newspapers were full of it. It was printed in every corner of the State and people read these charges and they studied over them and discussed them in every blacksmith shop and village store and every club and any other place where people congregate—this was one of the political subjects that was being discussed. and we felt, as members of the minority, that the people demanded and were entitled to know what the facts in the case were. In pursuance of that view the Democratic committee drew up a resolution which I introduced here on the first day of this session. After a few weeks' recess that was voted down by the House. Another resolution—this same resolution—was introduced that same night in the Senate. It finally, after a little delay over there, came over to this House. We tried to amend it so as to conform with our original idea of what we felt was the fair and honest and impartial invesigation.

I have tried to play this game impartially and fairly. I have tried to give to these people of Pennsylvania the best kind of an investigation that it was possible to give to them, according to my view and influence. Having failed in that, having both the amendment and the original resolution voted down by the joint vote of these factions, with some exceptions, I now deem that it is my duty to support this resolution as it is. I believe that we should give to the people all the light that we can possibly give them upon this question. I think that half an investigation is better than none at all. Now, this resolution, if passed, and if signed by the Governor will do two things: It will force the hand of Senator Penrose either to take one of two steps. Either he must give an honest or a fair investigation or he may not do it; I will not say that he will not do it. I am not charging him in advance of playing a farce, but I must confess

that to me the whole thing looks as if he were playing a farce, but granting to him honest motives he will now have the opportunity after the resolution is passed. if signed by the Governor, to secure a fair and honest and an impartial investigation. Should he fail to do this the people of Pennsylvania will know where the responsibility rests and they will know where to administer punishment if a farce is enacted. That is our position in this matter. As I listened to the discussion yesterday afternoon, I thought to myself, who is responsible for all this mess?—after I heard the mud-slinging and the charges. I really felt that there was too much of the personal in this discussion. It is not my purpose to throw any mud at anybody, but God knows that you men on the other side have trouble enough; I don't intend to add to it. I want to say that in my opinion, it is not so much a matter of personal guilt perhaps as it has been painted on the floor of this House. I think rather that it is the system of politics that has been played in this State, not for two years and not for four years but for twenty or forty years past. We, of the minority, have repeatedly called your attention and the attention of the people of this State to this condition of affairs. We have repeatedly called the attention of the responsible press, and the responsible press of this State has frequently called the attention of the voters of Pennsylvania to the existing conditions and the kind of politics that have been played here in this State for years. Sometimes when I have seen how the State of Pennsylvania has been subsidized through the appointment of office I am astounded. Just think of it—The present Governor of Pennsylvania came down to the City of Reading, in my county, and he delivered an address down there. It was only about two weeks after his inauguration, and among some of the statements he made, this is one of them. He said, I am astounded at the power that has been so suddenly thrust upon me. Do you know, gentlemen, I hold five thousand four hundred jobs in the hollow of my hand." You men. when one faction wins, you twist and squirm and when this pressure is put upon you, this responsibility of placing so much power in the hands of one man, is it not Senator Penrose's fault as much as anybody's, as well as to others, a lot of them, who have been responsible for this condition of affairs; who have built up this machine in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that is without a parallel on the American continent, and you gentlemen know that this is true, that that is a condition that you have here in Pennsylvania, a political condition which has no parallel on the American continent. Just think of all the appointing power and all the pressure that can be brought and then in addition to that look at the method of making appropriations every two years. You hand out between sixty and seventy million dollars of the people's cash and perhaps thirteen to fifteen million dollars goes to charitable institutions, to hospitals. All that is handed out. You all know that you have been told, when elected the first time, they tell you then. "whatever you do don't get in wrong with the powers that be; when you go up there you want to stand with the powers, right or wrong or else you will injure the chances of an appropriation for your hospital." I really believe, however, that this is exaggerated, because I think many members use that as a sort of screen in order to explain their votes back at home, but I do know there is some truth in it, from the fact that favoritism has been shown in granting hospital appropriations. When you begin to look at all of these things and see the favoritism in connection with appropriations, and look at the immense power that is back of such an administration by its appointive offices—when you look at it do you wonder that there are still thirty-seven Democrats sitting in this House? I am sometimes astounded that it is possible with all this power back of it, the strongest organization on the American continent, that there is a single Democrat left on this side of the House and I doubt whether there would be but for one thing and that is this thing where you are now. You are caught in your own trap and you know it. The thing that is working against you now is this immense amount of patronage that creates dissension in your own ranks, in your wards of Philadelphia, in Pittsburgh and in every county in the State. they say to your leaders, "The party is in power, we want an appointment." Every political boss at home wants you to bring something to him, to your district, and unless you do your seat here is threatened in the next two years, and you know that you must deliver the goods and hand out these plums and when you do hand them out you create dissension in your own party. Were it not for this dissension feature there would not be a Democrat left in Pennsylvania, an honest Democrat, with all the administration power, with all the pull that comes with the appointive power and with the fifteen or more millions of charity money—with all that, I doubt whether there would be a single minority member sitting on the floor of this House, if it were not for these factional dissensions. This condition has been brought about by the very men who are clamoring for investigation or for aid in bringing it about. I don't believe that Governor Brumbaugh is any worse than the men who have preceded him. In some respects he is better than some of the men who have preceded him. I don't think those men at the head of the department are very bad men, but they are victims of a system that has been in vogue. They were playing politics and have been playing politics in Pennsylvania for many years, not for two years but for many years back that has been the custom. Just think of the idea of a man belonging to one faction complaining that the Governor or somebody else is playing politics. You know that that same thing has been done for the last twenty years or more. Again you know that you come with a charge saying that these men are not attending to their public duties. Instead of being at their posts of duty they are out somewhere in the State gathering votes or doing other things and neglecting the public business. That same thing has been done for years and years. We have told you so; we have told the people of the State so, and now you are only confirming here what we have been telling you for twenty years. Yesterday afternoon, almost every charge that was made was simply a confirmation of the things we have been telling you for the last twenty years. You are simply confirming, you are simply saying, that we were right when we made those charges although you denied them at the time. Now then this is the condition of affairs: The thing that ought to go out, and the thing that it is hoped this investigation will lead to is to expose the present system rather than the personnel of the men who are accused with doing these things. I think it is the damnable system that was in vogue in the City of Philadelphia and gradually grew and grew and extended its influence until to-day it reaches out to every nook and corner of this Commonwealth; and once this system is exposed, when once the people of Pennsylvania see how much power is centered in one man, and when they see all the power back of these appropriation bills, when they see all the power that is back of the powers that be in this State government, they will rise and say the whole system is fundamentally wrong and it must be correct. These men are only the victims. I take a rather charitable view of the personal end of it. Personally I have troubles enough of my own and I don't care to accuse anybody or sling mud at anybody, but I do think and say in all sincerity that the very men who are clamoring and crying out to-day for the investigation on the other side are the men who helped by their vote and their influence and by their actions during the years that are past to make these very things possible. They are the very men who helped to build up this organization whose work we now condemn.

Where did Brumbaugh get his lessons in politics? He has not been in so long—but where did he get his lesson? Where did every man who is charged with playing politics and charged with neglecting his duties, where did he get his political lesson? Where did he go to school, where is the political school in which he trained? Think of that, gentlemen and then I feel that you will not be so severe in your personal condemnation of these men but that you will begin to regard the thing more in the light of the system and you will say to yourselves, as upright, patriotic citizens of this Commonwealth this thing must stop: we are going to have an investigation; we are going to have the people look in; we are going to draw the curtain aside to show up this system in all its hideousness.

Think of the idea of any politician or anybody standing behind the sick man in the hospital and saying to you or me, you must vote for this vicious bill or I will threaten

the appropriation for your sick and dying members in that hospital, your sick and dying constituent back home. Just think of the idea. And that is exactly what it means when you come to me and say that you have got to vote for this bill of you must vote for that bill or else the powers that be will decree that you cannot bring anything home to the people of your district. Think of the idea of any member being compelled, being so humiliated that he has to come here and then go back to his constituents and say, I knew it was wrong; I don't approve of it, but I had to do it in order to save my dollars and my cents, in order to secure anything for the sick and dying in my hospital bed back home. That is the damnable system that you are crying out against. Now it is pinching you. It has been pinching us for twenty years. It is pinching you only for less than two years and now you are making more noise than we made in all those twenty years. This time you are caught in your own trap. You are getting the punishment from your own machine, the same machine that you have built up; and the very machine that you have originated and brought to its present position of power is now pinching you and you squeal and you squirm and you refuse to stand for it.

As I have said, everything that has been said on the floor of this House only confirms what we, as the minority, have been telling you for years and years and you have, as a rule, denied it. Now that is the position. I am rather reluctant to vote for this bill because it is not in the form I would like to see it. Yet I do not say that necessarily this investigation must be unfair. It can be made fair and it can be conducted in a fair manner and I hope it will be so conducted and I honestly believe that if one faction or the other tries to make for one moment a scandal out of it the people back home will be watching them and they will have to answer for it when they come back to the polls and they will get the punishment they deserve; and while we have tried to get an honest investigation, we have tried to take away the possibility of an unfair investigation, as it is, it is the best we can get and we will not now be placed in the position of holding down the lid and holding down the curtain when there is a chance for the people to have a look in and to confirm the very same things which we have been telling them for twenty years.

Mr. MILNER. This resolution has been forced down the throat of the men in this Legislature until we are about to gag, and it has been forced down the throats of the people of Pennsylvania until they are ready to gag also and now is the time to cast it from us as if it was a noxious repulsive thing. Now every man in this House knows down in his heart that this resolution seeks to accomplish no good thing; that it has only one object, and that is to further the political desires of a man who is not even a member of this House. Every man knows that back home his constituents know that this resolution bears no benefit for them and that the people of Pennsylvania do not desire it. I want to say to all the members of the House who are Republicans that if you vote for this resolution you will certainly rue the day because you will be held to a strict accounting by your constituents, and you will have to account before the bar of your own conscience because you will debase your own ideals and principles of justice. In this connection I want to tell you a story that was told by Maeterlinck. There was a great man in the middle ages who accomplished great things but only after the utmost difficulty. He seemed to achieve great things and to accomplish them but only after obstacles placed in his way by some unseen enemy, and he vowed at the end of his life that if he ever met his unseen enemy, his life long foe, he would certainly kill him; and one day he was walking along a country road and a stranger approached with a mask over his face, and the great man knew by that intuition that warns us of danger that his life long enemy drew near to him. When the man came near he said, draw your sword and defend yourself for I mean to kill you. The stranger drew his sword and said, I am at your service; but first see whom you would kill; and he drew the mask and lo the great man stood before himself. And I say to you, the Republican Party, that you stand before yourselves to-day as your own worst enemy.

Now my warning is borne home to you in the cry of triumph that rises from the gentleman from Berks County and you can see that reflected in the smile and glee that went over the faces of the Democratic members when the members of the Republican Party voted for this resolution yesterday. This resolution, gentlemen, violates every principal of Anglo Saxon justice. It violates every American principal. We know that for hundreds of years the ideas of how men should be tried and investigated have been crystallizing. The Anglo Saxon thought is very well crystallized upon how a man should be brought to justice.

We know in our own hearts what this practice was and we can best tell whether they are fair or whether they are not fair. This resolution is an indictment that names no one. Every Anglo Saxon indictment names the party; it specifies no dates, no places, it gives no specific crimes, but merely is a list of generic of crimes and offenses. It provides for a packed jury something that is repugnant to every Anglo Saxon's mind, where we are used to an impartial and a fair jury; it provides for a jury of the accusers. Now gentlemen the men whose names have been mentioned in the public press, the responsible public press, do not fear investigation, do not fear prosecution, if it is conducted according to the ideal of American justice, and Anglo Saxon justice, but they do not, and no man here would care to be tried by a packed jury, where a man can perjure himself without bringing him to the bar of justice, and bear false witness against his neighbor.

Now gentlemen we know that this man who is advocating this measure is guided by partisan motives, I want to refer to the remarks of gentleman my colleague from Philadelphia, Mr. Beyer, who in the newspaper is heralded as the leader of the Penrose-McNichol party in this House. In this speech in the early part of this session on the resolution presented by the Democratic party which contained substantially the same charges as this resolution is based upon, made the following statement, I am reading from the Legislative House Journal, page 38. "It is equally true men sometimes talk loosely and make charges in a general manner against those in public office that at times have not the slightest right to do so. If any man thus transgresses he is, under the laws of our State, answerable to the proper courts for the injury that he has done to any such person wrongfully assailed." Does it not seem peculiar that his idea on that matter has now changed. Again he says on the same page, "Are we here to play politics, or are we here to legislate for the people of Pennsylvania?" We agree with him in his first statement, because first ideas, are the best ones, that we are here to legislate for the people of Pennsylvania. Again he says, "Our policy as members of a legislative body, is to enact laws for the benefit of the people and like wise to call to task those who may be remiss in their performance of public duty and bring them to the bar of public opinion. That is done by impeachment proceedings, where you have the evidence, where you have a reasonable suspicion of it, which justifies an investigation. We may well inquire now why he does not ask for the impeachment proceeding but asks for this resolution to be passed. Again he says on the same page. "I ask your attention, gentlemen, just for a few moments to some of the glaring charges which are made here, evidently based entirely on hearsay, based entirely upon reading in the public press without any foundation to substantiate them and absolutely unworthy of the consideration of a legislative body." And again. "If any man in this chamber or outside of it has any evidence of any member of this House having been solicited by means of bribery or other foul means to do anything other than his plain duty as a member of the State Legislature, then let him produce the facts and let those facts be laid before a proper committee with power to act, with power to summon witnesses, and compel obedience to its mandate, and then we will have something listening to and not a lot of ragtime talk which we hear on the outside." "If you have charges to prefer which ought to be investigated give the committee you ask to be appointed some light to guide them to tell in what portion to start their investigation." And so I might go on reading his speech, citing authorities—the case of McDonald vs. Keeler in 99 New York reports page 463, to sustain our position here that "An investigation

instituted for the mere sake of investigating or for political purposes connected with intended legislation, or with any of the matters upon which the House could act, but merely intended to subject the body or party investigated to animadversion or to vindicate him or it from unjust oppression, where the legislature has no right to put him, or it on trial for mere supposed offenses, and no legislation was contemplated, the proceedings must necessarily end with the investigation and would not in the judgement of the courts be a legislative proceeding." We might go on and read this whole speech and make it a speech against this resolution. What has caused this change of mind, what has made this leader change about face? He has gotten his instructions from a political leader, and I want to say to you gentlemen, and Mr. Speaker, I do not propose to vote for this resolution because I do not think it is decent, because I do not think it is just, because it does not square itself with the ideas of American justice and Anglo Saxon principles, and because I know that it is actuated by insincere factional purposes because it will not do one bit of good for the people of this Commonwealth. I believe that we should have ideals, I believe this legislature is not above having ideals. True they may seem to be as Carl Schurz, says "Our ideals are like stars. You will not succeed in touching them with your hands but like the sea faring man on the desert waters, you choose them as your guide and following them you reach your destiny.

Now we men of the House of Representatives can choose the proper guides to guide us. We can choose the right principles and they should be principles which are dear to us. The heritage which the American people had left them by their Anglo-Saxon forefathers, they are a fair trial, fair play and a square deal. I for one do not intend to be a pawn for Senator Penrose to move about his checker-board and when it has served its purpose that that power shall be shoved back into the closet again. I am going to vote against this resolution, because I think it is entirely unfair to the men whose names have been charged with these offenses in the newspapers.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of House, I have always refused to take any part in any petty partisan politics. I have always refused to be drawn to these acrimonious controversies. But this action is extraordinary and this high handed iniquitous procedure challenges recognition. The fair name of one of Pennsylvania's, one of America's noblest and best citizens has been besmirched and blackened by corrupt politics. The State of Pennsylvania has been dragged down in disgrace and shame. Every man in this House will admit that this procedure is unfair. The learned gentleman from Luzerne specifically stated that, and I propose to support it. I feel therefore that under these circumstances it is the duty of every loyal patriotic citizen to speak out, and speak out frankly and fearlessly. I feel that under these circumstances silence would be akin to crime.

One day when I was a little boy I was hurrying along the highway. A pretty little animal jumped out before me and dashed out towards some rocks. It had a rich black lustrous fur, had a gorgeous yellow streak along its back. Immediately I gave chase, but in a moment when I got a whiff of its odor and the chase ceased. We are told by experts that when a dog is so unfortunate as to get some of that abominable affluvia upon its nose he will rub and rub until it has rubbed the skin off and its nose will bleed. We are told it will sicken people in a house with the windows tightly closed. A skunk is a skunk, and you can always tell it by its odor.

I know not, I have no means of knowing, what kind of people assembled at Atlantic City, but I do know this, that it has many of the differentiating characteristics. The atmosphere of the state has been so corrupted and so polluted by this horrible petard that it smells to high heaven, it has blackened the skies. It has sickened the people of the State of Pennsylvania. On this question now they tell us in their preamble that it has been brought here by or on account of the claims made by the reputable newspapers. They tell us this was on that account, and that solely; but an examination of the situation will prove clearly that that cannot be true. There was absolutely no demand made by the reputable enwspapers until after this disreputable meeting at Atlantic City, and then we had different interviews from different people who were there, and that started the demand, and that is the only demand we have, the only demand we have as yet. It was stated by the ingenious gentleman from Philadelphia yesterday that he had traveled back and forth in Philadelphia from schoolhouse to meetinghouse and that was the first he heard of it, but we in Western Pennsylvania never heard of that. The vote in Philadelphia seems to indicate that it was not believed in Philadelphia, and more than that, it is very probable that although he traveled back and forth he does not have one petition from one of his constituents asking him to advocate this particular thing. Where did it come from then? I think we have on examination conclusive evidence as to its origin. We had a few weeks ago gentlemen begging us to vote against a particular bill introduced by the Democrats. In that bill it provided that others beside the Governor should be investigated. They begged of us to vote against it, but, Thank God, I didn't do that, I voted for it because it was a fair investigation. He begged of us to vote against that until Penrose was eliminated, and now we hear that same gentleman asking us to vote for this bill. Then he said, "We don't mean these assertions"; now he says, "They are true. Vote for it." And as to their other assertion, it seems to me we have the scenery that is shown in the Merchant of Venice. They don't want this money returned, they don't want this situation rectified, but they want their pound of flesh and they want to cut it from near the heart of Governor Brumbaugh. They want his reputation, they want his life. Why, then, what is the motive for this bill? We have again another premise which I think we will all agree upon, and that is this: This bill would never have been presented had Governor Brumbaugh gone along with the gang. If he had obeyed the commands of the boss, would he now be persecuted and prosecuted? I believe that this bill as introduced is nothing more than a punishment, nothing more than spite and hate and revenge. Now then, I am opposed to this bill, first, because it is unfair. "Let us be fair" has been the slogan of this assembly from its very beginning, and yet the very first crack out of the box we get is the dirtiest, rottenest deal that could be pulled in this House in the seating of the members, and I say to you that must have received the smiling approval of the majority because there has been no effort whatever to rectify it. If then, Governor Brumbaugh is to be tried by those standards, God pity him. "Let us be fair" has been dinned in our ears all along the way. "Let us be fair" has been shouted from the housetop. "Let us be fair" has been advertised as our watchword in the newspapers, and yet you know and I know and every citizen of the State of Pennsylvania knows that a Penrose picked and a Penrose packed and a Penrose bossed committee will give him no more show than would a child have in a pack of hungry hyenas. Yea more, he would have no more show than did the Apostle Paul at Lystra, no more show than our Saviour had at the hands of the hungry mob at Jerusalem. As I heard the gentlemen argue yesterday, the picture came to my mind of that scene when the mob was given a chance to free Barabas or our Saviour, and they selected Barabas, and now when Barabas is eliminated, when Penrose is eliminated, they turn around to us and say, "Support this bill and let us have the investigation." It does seem to me that we ought to quit playing politics, quit this unfair business, and get down to work. Now then, in conclusion, what is the object to be attained here? If you want a man punished, you have the remedy of the courts, and it won't cost twenty-five thousand dollars. If they want to impeach Governor Brumbaugh, they don't have to do that. We know all the facts now; they have been recited here, and they seem to be a certain check and some expenditures, nothing more. We know those facts now, so what is the use of spending twenty-five thousand dollars. Nay more, what is the use of delaying and delaying here until day after day we are spending the money of the State? We are told it costs fourteen hundred dollars a day just for servants in this House. and yet we have done nothing, and we have been here six or seven weeks. Why delay? A proposition of this kind is costing the state at least a hundred thousand dollars in order to investigate something with reference to the purchase of a collar button and the pressing of the Governor's pants.

Why spend that amount of money when we have another remedy? But finally the thing that appeals to me very

strongly is this: The United States Congress sets aside twenty-five thousand dollars for the President of the United States in the same way and he spends it in the same way and in the same manner. If Senator Penrose is so anxious for an investigation why has he voted each year for that particular expenditure. Nay, more: For years and years he had employed for him, but I believe it is changed now, he had employed for him a clerk in the same way. But let us come nearer home. The sponsor of this bill and his companions have received each year, in the same manner, and in the same form, stamps first, What else? A box containing brushes, a silver match safe, a cork screw, amounting up in value to from thirty to forty dollars. What else? A whole arm full of paper, and I say to you that if this was wrong for the Governor to spend that money as he spent it, it is just as criminal and just as wrong for these men to spend that money and to take those particular things that they have been taking. Nay more, there is a difference and that is this: By the action of his predecessors, by the rulings of the different Attorney Generals the Governor was led to believe that it was right and that he could lawfully and legally use that money, but here we have the sponsor of the bill and all his co-workers in that time and they knew it was wrong and illegal and now they come along and persecute and prosecute the Governor when they have been guilty of the same thing, knowing that it was wrong, knowing that it was illegal. Which one do you believe is the more guilty? Which one think you is the greater criminal? There is another difference too that might be mentioned here and that is this: It is true that the Governor got fifteen thousand dollars while these men only got a box worth thirty or forty dollars. It is only a manner of a man's price; they are cheaper. Now, Mr. Speaker, it does seem to me that everyone will agree that this bill is unfair and that it does not pretend to be fair. Gentlemen of the House, let us rise above this malice, this spite, this hate. Let us rise above playing petty partisan politics, and let us try to do something for the good of the State. Let us be men.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, I wish to assure you that I have not any delusions about being able, by anything I say, to change a single vote on this resolution. I was disabused of that delusion yesterday. I am not rising to debate this question because I expect to change any votes, but I rise to say what is in my mind—what I have been thinking about. Mr. Speaker, neither am I on the floor to resent the fact because I have a seat in the Cherokee Strip of this House; distance lends enchantment to the view. While I may have some trouble in recognizing you, Mr. Chairman, and you may have some trouble in recognizing me, we will, nevertheless, become acquainted after a while. Then it is quite convenient for my friends to come up from the rotunda and tap me on the shoulder and I take my feet off the railing and we proceed to do business. I am sincere, Mr. Speaker, when I said that anything that occurred in the fight for the Speakership of this House, did not cause one scintilla of resentment in me. I knew when I voted for Mr. Cox for Speaker in the Caucus that I would receive a back seat and I say to the Speaker and gentlemen of the House that I would prefer to have a back seat in the House and a front seat in Jefferson County.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is out of order; he is not discussing the resolution.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, it is not my purpose to discuss this resolution in a personal sense nor to reflect upon the sincerity of any member of this House, whether he is for or against it. This resolution or the substance of it has been discussed by the people of Pennsylvania and by the press of Pennsylvania and by the Senate, and this House on two other occasions, and I think I may fairly assume that every man here is familiar with it and whatever action is taken here to-day has been already molded. We are influenced by public opinion. Mr. Speaker, this resolution accuses certain public officials of malfeasance in office, which is a serious crime. I am unable to determine from the resolution who these public officials are. This resolution lacks all the elements as to certainty required in a presentment to a grand jury. I dare say, Mr. Speaker, if it were presented to a grand jury in any of the courts of Pennsylvania it would receive no consideration whatever. When a citizen of this Commonwealth is accused of crime, he is entitled to know who his accusers are and he is entitled to know the facts upon which the accusation is based. It makes no difference whether it is a misdemeanor or a felony; it makes no difference whether it is a charge of assault and battery of murder or whether the man accused is a citizen of high repute or a criminal of the lowest class; he is entitled to a fair trial and a just verdict. The jury must consist of twelve competent, disinterested impartial men and not of kin or dependence upon either parties and free from all bias or from any favor from either of the parties. In criminal cases the accused can either waive his right to a trial by jury—a jury of twelve competent, disinterested and unbiased men, nor can the Legislature of Pennsylvania, deprive him of that right. Mr. Speaker, in the selection of that jury to try him, he is given just as many challenges as the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. After that jury is selected every precaution is taken that the jury may not be influenced by the bias of anyone else and any attempt to influence that jury is a reason for setting the verdict aside, for a new trial and the jury is sworn and under guard. The jury is sworn and under guard; and anciently, Mr. Speaker, if the jury ate or drank, before or after they agreed on their verdict they were fined, with this difference: If they ate at their own charge the verdict stood, but if they ate at the charge of either of the parties then it was set aside; and this precaution, extreme as it may seem, is the law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to-day. The jury is fed by the county, under the guard of a sworn officer of the court, and any attempt to influence them is cause for setting aside the veridct of a jury. Now, Mr. Speaker, even in road views in Pennsylvania, the road viewers appointed to view roads cannot, under the law of this Commonwealth, accept entertainment of anybody interested in the road to be viewed. The law is so jealous of the rights of men and their liberties and so convinced, Mr. Speaker, of the weakness of men, that it has taken every precaution to insure the accused and all parties a fair trial and a just verdict, so that no guilty man may escape and no innocent man be punished.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution violates every established precedent for the trial of men accused of crime. It alleges that certain public officials have violated the law. Who are these public officials? What are the facts upon which the accusation.—the Commission is to investigate? This is a violent piece of legislation and abuse of force, that force which is employed against common right, against the law and against public liberty. Abraham Lincoln said during his speech:

"Our reliance is in the love of liberty which God has planted in us. Our defense is in the spirit which prizes liberty as the heritage of all men, in all lands everywhere. Destroy this spirit and you have planted the seeds of despotism at your own doors. Familiarize yourselves with the chains of bondage, and you prepare your own limbs to wear them."

While this resolution, Mr. Speaker, names no offenders we are told that it refers to His Excellency, Governor Brumbaugh, and to the heads of his departments and their employes. Pennsylvania is a kingdom. Eight millions of people are proud to be numbered as its citizens and to be called Pennsylvanians. Some of those men, gentlemen of the House may have gone astray, and I am not here to defend them, but I wish to assure this House that I am not here to condemn them. There are too many good things to be said of Pennsylvania and its people to waste our energies in slandering the few who have violated our confidence. Who of us claim to be a righteous judge. Many centuries ago a woman was accused of being a sinner and a righteous judge came along and said "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone;" and there is no record, gentlemen of the House, of any stone being cast; and I venture to suggest that if the same righteous judge were to pass to-day and put us to the same test we would not be able to see a stone pile in ten years.

Why not sound the praises of your public servants and public officials. Would it not be creditable? Would it not be better to tell the people of Pennsylvania of the services rendered the State by its senior Senator from Pennsylvania rather than the things he has left undone.

Have we forgotten, gentlemen of this House, of his attack on the boss politician of Pennsylvania when as a young man he occupied a seat in this honorable body? Is he not now, gentleman of this House, in the year of our Lord 1917 preparing a program of reform for our consideration and approval that will cause the most radical of us to hesitate?

Martin G. Brumbaugh, as a candidate, made certain pledges to the people of Pennsylvania and the people elected him, and as their servant or the servant of the people he has tried to keep his pledges. He promised them a Compensation Bill and Pennsylvania, gentlemen of the House, has a good Compensation Law and one of the best managed Compensation Departments of any State in the Union. He promised the people of Pennsylvania a Child Labor Law and he has fulfilled that promise. The humanitarian laws passed within the first two years of his term has endeared him to the people of Pennsylvania and no amount of abuse or slander will shake their faith in his integrity and his desire to serve them faithfully as a Chief Executive.

Mr. Speaker, I may be a neophyte in politics, I may be a misfit as a partisan and a mighty poor prophet, but I am willing to stake my honor and the honor of every man whose reputation is assailed in this resolution or may be assailed that if this resolution passes this House as now drawn it will be a "Sampson and his Delilah," not only to its sponsors but every man who votes for it. We are attacking in this resolution the principles which support the administration of justice in this Commonwealth and the nation. We are holding in our hands a bomb with the fuse almost burned up, and the question for us to determine is whether we will be influenced by our prejudices and resentments in the action taken here, or whether we will be influenced by the principles of justice on which every good government must stand or fall. To be governed by our resentment and our prejudices is a most dangerous precedent to establish, for gentlemen of the House, prejudice winks when it looks and it lies when it talks.

For myself, Mr. Speaker, I am not concerned as to whether I am on the winning or losing side of any particular proposition brought before this House so long as I feel that I am on the right side, for I wish always to be recorded with the minority when right and against the majority when wrong.

This poor old resolution has had a stormy voyage. It has received more attention than the Kaiser himself. After many weeks it finally found its way across the rotunda, and for two days we have been trying to torpedo the pesky old thing with little or no success. Nobody loves it except the Democrats. It is scarcely a seaworthy craft any longer, gentlemen of the House, but I hope that it will be able to reach the end of its voyage, the Executive Chamber, and I fondly hope, gentlemen of House, that while His Excellency is inspecting its cargo he will remember that familiar old song, "Hail, Hail, the gang's all here," and so forth and so forth. It will be an inspiration for him while he writes out his veto.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I did not expect, nor did I intend to come here this morning to be entertained by any further speeches upon the resolution now before you, notwithstanding that I have fully recognized every member's right to arise in his place and be heard in a full and free statement of the reasons which prompt him to vote as he will upon this resolution. I would not even at this time lengthen the proceedings if it were not for the fact that some reference has been made to the statements made by me two weeks ago in opposition to the Democratic resolution.

I stand now where I stood then, in opposition to any investigation which means nothing. I do not call into question the good faith of my good friend from Berks. I concede to him every sincerity in all that he has said, and I may say that I fully agree with him in much that he has said, but when the members of this House are told as they were told a few moments ago by my good friend from Philadelphia that I must turn about face because of some mysterious orders that I am alleged to have received from the United States Senator, as his representative on the floor of this House, I have a right as a member at least to again define my position in order that you may know just where I stand. I may have some friendship with the Senior Senator of Pennsylvania, and I may have friendships with the other men against whom he is contending. I do not call into question the personnel of these men who are responsible for all that has been said in the last few weeks concerning one or the other of the several departments of the Commonwealth, but I fully realize that what was said by my good friend from Berks is absolutely true. What the resolution here now must do is to get by the light of truth certain facts which will enable us, as a legislative body, to frame legislation in this session which will be in aid of any movement to do away with the pernicious system that has been spoken of by the gentleman from Berks. But this is an undoubted truth that the guilty flees when no man pursueth, and all the adjectives that have been read by members of this House in their opposition to this resolution as an iniquitous measure, born in iniquity and clothed with iniquity throughout, proves the statement that I make that it looks as if they are afraid to have an honest investigation. I say that the party of which I am a member owes it to itself to get the truth, it owes it to itself to clean out its dirty stables if there are any, and not give my friends on the other side the opportunity to do it. I would be ashamed as a Republican to go back to my constituents and say to them that I did not have manhood enough to vote for this resolution because I was afraid that it might help some few Democrats or some man hereafter to make a fight for Governor in this Commonwealth. My opposition three weeks ago to the Democratic resolution was because it was a single chamber measure and because as a single chamber measure I realized as a lawyer that it could not go outside of this chamber, and it did not have the authority that it ought to have to examine witnesses and to make the kind of report desired. I said then that what was worth doing ought to be worth doing well, and I opposed it merely because of the legal objections I had to it. But since then there comes to us from the Senate a resolution almost identical with the Democratic resolution, except for the fact that it does not go into details concerning many statements of a political nature, that do not affect the legislative policy of this chamber; nor does it refer perhaps by name to conversations that were held, but it distinctly calls into question the things which need to be investigated.

If you will bear with me just a moment I will make reference to the little sub-heads of the bill which shows what we are striving to do by an honest investigation. To start with, the resolution talks about the absence from their respective offices of men in public office. If such a condition is true, isn't it fair to the people whom we represent that we should legislate, if we find it to be true, in a manner which will avoid hereafter unnecessary absence from office? Then again it talks about malicious and unnecessary delay in the transaction of public business. If that is true and the facts are found to be so, isn't it our duty as members of this legislative body to introduce proper bills on the recommendation of the investigating committee which will do away with any such indifference hereafter? Then it talks about the misuse of the appointive power. You must know, most of you gentlemen do know, that quite frequently you are sent for and asked to support certain measures, and asked to give your promise in return for something that is controlled by the Governor of this Commonwealth in the shape of some appointment. That to my mind is worse bribery than the bribery by the dollar, because it goes to the reduction of all power in a legislative body and destroys that independence of judgment which the people have a right to expect from every member in this chamber. Why prolong a discussion along these lines? The very fact that these people are crying so loudly against the investigation proves the charges, to my mind, against them. All this talk about back seats and all this talk about the lack of appointments on committees appears to me to be very much like "cry-baby talk," the case of the loser who cannot be charitable with the winner. What would you think of a man in politics, honorable though he may be, if he is going to take into his confidence in the formation of legislative business the men who are continually fighting him on the outside? Don't you want your friends? Is there anything dishonorable in that. And if the honorable gentleman has seen fit to place himself in that position, he has no one to blame but himself. But just in order that I may answer my good friend from Philadelphia, I am going to read five or six lines from an address delivered three of four weeks

ago. I said this: "The resolution now before the House is not a concurrent resolution. It does not ask the consent of the Senate as a co-ordinate branch of this Legislature to authorize an investigation into the policies and honesty of our officials in this state." Then I went on and said this: "Now let us be fair on both sides of the House. If there is a resolution presented here of a concurrent nature, asking the concurrence of the Senate and making it a legislative measure and placing it in the hands of the Governor as the Executive of the Commonwealth for his approval, I am for that character of a resolution." The resolution now before us answers what I said then. It seems to me, gentlemen, when a man, given power and authority by the confidence of the people, misuses that power, and when they do what in this Commonwealth has been done time and time again, attempt to intimidate the legislative body and government, then it is high time to investigate and find some remedy for the acts complained of. Those of you who were here in the last session remember that the report was circulated that this man and that man was sent for by the Governor of this Commonwealth and asked to vote in support of a measure that was all-important at that time in this body, and made promises of positions and some of them got their positions for voting for a local option bill. If the Executive of a state is allowed to so far forget his constitutional restraints as to interfere with the deliberations of a legislative body, I say he comes close to treason in his efforts to destroy the fundamental principles represented here by us. You have your responsibilities to your own constituents at home, you have got to answer to the people for what you do here. The Governor is answerable to the entire state. You are answerable for what you do here and you ought to be allowed to act uncontrolled and undictated to by even the Governor of the Commonwealth. I say this, gentlemen, in no unkindly spirit. I supported the Governor when he was a candidate, and I placed in him the highest confidence that I could place in man. I knew his record as a member of the Educational Board in Philadelphia, and I know those men who championed him as a great man in that line of work, and I want to say to you that the honest thought of the city from which he came was behind him because they felt he had the manhood to give us a good, clean administration. All this talk about child labor bill and workmen's compensation bill is entirely out of the question because the members in this House voted just as usefully for these bills as the man who was constantly going to them about them. We went along with them because we thought the Governor was right, and no issue was made between us on those bills. But this much is true, that with all their laudatory remarks upon the floor of this House in defense of the Executive, it is a remarkable thing to hear the very men who give expression to this laudation tell you from time to time how little they think of the man they are eulogizing here to-day. I do not believe he has any more real friends on the side of the House to which he belongs than he has on the side of the House that is being constantly accused of attacking his integrity. I do not wish to call into attention the little things he may have been guilty of, indiscretions, but when it comes to the fundamental questions that affect the government of a state, I am going to vote for a resolution that will give to the people of this state the knowledge and information that my very good friend from Berks talked about to you to-day.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I only want to ask for a few moments for a consideration of the things that came to my notice from the arguments pro and con on this question. There has been some violation of the rules of this House in order that certain members might vent their spleen upon the Speaker of this House about being seated in the rear of this House. I want to call attention to the fact that two years ago when we people who occupied the rear seats came down here and we voted for the candidate giving the power of allotment to the other side. Yet where did we sit? Mr. Speaker, all of those men who sat in the rear of the House were sitting with their feet up on the rail. Did you ever hear a word from us? There was never a word of criticism because we felt that was the wish of the powers that be. And now, Mr. Speaker ———

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, my point of order is that the gentleman from Armstrong is not talking on the resolution.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Armstrong will confine himself to the resolution.

Mr. MILLIRON. I was just ready to start on it, Mr. Speaker. That is the reason, gentlemen, I had to hurry along a little fast because I knew I could not say that. It has been brought out here this morning that the Governor has been lauded for passing such bills as the Workmen's Compensation Bill, the Child Labor Bill, and all those humane pieces of legislation, but the men who stood for them and fought for them and voted for them, are they not to have at least some of the credit? I leave it to my friend from Berks, Mr. Maurer, if my record in the House in 1915 did not give me one hundred per cent. pure on the labor question and humane legislation. Give the members part of the credit; the Governor could not do it all by himself. I heard a good deal of talk this morning about and quotations from the Good Book. We have had the Nazarene, our Saviour, compared with the Governor of this State, and I suppose that the men who made those statemetns did it for the purpose of letting us know that either they were familiar with the Good Book or that they were sincere in making them. But what would they do if this investigation would proceed and it was determined that he was not like the Nazarene? Would they then admit it was a good resolution?

If it should be brought out in this investigation that in the recent Speakership fight, in a certain county of this State, men were brought here and this proposition was made: that is that if certain members of that county would change their votes on the Speakership a certain man of that county would be appointed to the vacancy on the Public Service Commission in return for those votes and the brother of a member would be appointed Register and Recorder of that county. Gentlemen, it is no wonder that some of the people are in favor of an investigation. I don't like to bring these things out, but I want to say to you that the man who has been tampered with; the man who has been tempted with a bribe during the last session or in this session has a right when he knows things to be true to vote in support of this resolution without being criticised. A man who does not know these things has equally the same right to argument against such resolutions and we must give this right to every member of this House and that if he, himself, has been tempted by and offered bribes he has the right to know within his conscience that there is ground for investigation. I believe that a large percentage of the members who are supporting this resolution know within themselves, from personal experience, as I hinted in my remarks yesterday, when they threw their arms around my neck and asked me to accept some position if I would go along on the Local Option proposition from Jefferson County and I told that man that if he wanted a man from Jefferson County who would sell his vote that I am not the man and that I would not go along on the Local Option question and that my motive is as pure as any other man's in this House, although I may not vote for this bill. I want to call attention to the fact that any man in this house who has been tempted or bribed or intimidated to vote in the Speakership contest ought not to be criticised if he votes for an investigation.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I wish to say that no one has fallen upon my neck and kissed me. My vote is not influenced either one way or the other by such little things, pleasant as they may be. I want to assure my friends, the Democrats, and the gentleman from Philadelphia that I don't intend to make a speech against this bill and then vote in favor of it. I want it distinctly understood that I am against this bill from start to finish. I am not going to eulogize my friends and then vote to hang them. I voted with my friends, the Democrats, whom I admire at this particular time for taking advantage of a very fortunate situation. I supported them yesterday in their move because I believe that they were right, but I feel after having done so that I can give them a little fatherly admoni-

tion of this subject. Gentlemen of the minority, don't you know that for the last twenty years or more every time this same Penrose organization got into a hole and needed somebody to help them out that you came to their rescue in sufficient numbers to do it. Over in the other branch of this body only a few nights ago the leaders of your organization got up and apologized after voting on that subject and stated that they did so reluctantly, yet they voted for the measure and helped these same people out of a rut. There were more Republican members in the Senate who voted against this resolution than for it. Without your assistance, my friends, it would have fallen. Now, you are here to-day to help these same people out of the rut. Gentlemen of the minority, don't you know that this is a two-edged sword. It has cut us and wounded us seriously, we of the Republican Party. We, gentlemen, have contributed to you all the campaign funds for your next campaign that we have got to give; you have got it all now. It has wounded us to give it to you, but gentlemen of the minority, you had better let loose, on the other side of that sword or it will cut you and wound you most seriously. I am a regular Republican and I support the nominees of my party, but at the same time, every man in this House, no matter what his politics may be, ought to be big enough and broad enough and patriotic enough to put his citizenship above his party and not talk against the thing and not use good arguments against the proposition and then turn around and vote for it, because it may help his party. Gentlemen, this resolution is a vicious thing. My friends from Philadelphia who argue in favor of this proposition have talked scandals; they have talked about rumors and rumors and vicious rumors, yet no one has had the bigness and the broadness and the patriotism to come into this General Assembly and take us into their confidence and make their charges over their own signatures in black and white and say to us of this General Assembly we have that evidence; here it is for your inspection. Let us investigate these wrongs; we have put them over our signature and our affidavit, perchance and now we have got some tangible thing against these men; let us investigate. No, they have not been broad enough or big enough to do this. They will tell their scandalous and scurrilous things about these men and they will say that they have, perchance, impeachment proceedings in their pockets, carrying them around for the benefit of the newspapers. Yes, they will say these things are true and I am going to divulge them to you; they don't tell us a thing. Gentlemen, they are lawyers and think of the ridiculous position of a lawyer going in before a court and saying, "If your Honor please, I have the law in my pocket and so and so is the case." But the Judge would say to these lawyers: "Produce your authority; produce your facts and then we will pass upon your case." What are we investigating? We are investigating rumors of charges. Those great men on the other side of the Chamber and elsewhere have gone to their favorite newspapers and they have said to those newspapers, "We want to be interviewed." But these politicians then members of this General Assembly liked their notoriety and the newspapers interviewed them and they spieled out their scandalous things to the newspapers and then these newspapers publish interviews and then these same men in a cowardly manner got behind the newspapers and said a responsible press of the Commonwealth says so and so. The responsible press publish these interviews in the heat of the campaign and there are your charges.

Yes; we are great men in this Legislature. We are saintly, pure, moral; we only want things that we are entitled to, but we take them nevertheless; and over on the other side of the House we have a unique situation at the present time. Those Senators have free telephone service, free shaves and it is even said, my friends that some of these great men save their bewhiskered countenances from the week end recess until the beginning of the next week so that they may enjoy the soft, calm services of the tonsorial artist at the expense of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; yet the Governor should not get his pants pressed and a lot of little collar buttons and things of that kind at the expense of the Commonwealth.

Gentlemen, this resolution is wrong. There is no comparison between the resolution offered at the beginning of this session by the Democrats and this resolution. This resolution is one-sided; it only provides for the investigation of a part of the persons against whom the newspaper interviews make charges. Gentlemen, it does not cover the ground thoroughly; it only applies to the certain few who have been picked out for condemnation, and in the second or third section of this bill it finds in plain language that if we pass this bill we will be finding by our verdict that these men are guilty and they defamed and debauched the fair name of this State. It does not say in this resolution that we will investigate and find out whether these things are true or not but if we pass this resolution as it stands we will be finding as a fact that these men defamed and debauched the fair name of this State.

Now, gentlemen, if you believe that this bill is unfair, then vote against it; if you believe your citizenship should stand above your party then vote against it. If you believe, and if you have in your possession anything definite, tangible, to make charges against any man in this Commonwealth, have the bigness, and the broadness, and the patriotism to come in before the House at the proper time and take this House into your confidence and produce the facts upon which you rely so that we may vote intelligently. I am against this resolution because it cannot be otherwise than at least subject to our careful attention. I am against it, gentlemen, because while I have faith in the presiding officers in this General Assembly, having known them for a long time and admired them, but judging from recent past experiences I know that this thing will be done in a highly artistic manner to say the least.

I am sorry that my friend from Armstrong should worry about where some of the members of this Assembly sit because in closing I want to say to you, Mr. Speaker, that this particular neighborhood where I have the honor to sit is the beauty spot of this House.. I am surrounded, Mr. Speaker, by the gentlemen from Beaver County, from Mercer County, from Allegheny County, and we are pleased, immensely pleased that we are at least satisfied in our own minds that we are not only the salt and the saviour of this General Assembly, but of the whole earth.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, I have only a few words to say on this bill but I feel that I would not be doing my duty as a representative of this Commonwealth if I did not get upon my feet and assail this resolution because of the motives which prompted it. We are thoroughly familiar with its birth and how it came into existence.

Mr. Speaker, analyzing this resolution, I say there is no demand for an investigation as this resolution alleges. The only demand that I have been able to learn that exists is upon the part of a faction of my own party. It certainly does not exist with the Democrats. Of course, they would go along because it means campaign capital for them; but a real demand for the investigation does not exist and for that reason I am opposed to it.

Judging the future by the past, I could not favor the method of selecting the jury that is to hear this case. Mr. Speaker, I feel that if there is an investigation it will be an investigation of particular persons whom the majority of my party desire investigated, and so far as the other portion is concerned it will be a whitewash. Mr. Speaker, any man who will be investigated under this resolution will have no more chance to defend himself than a short tailed bull in fly time.

This resolution creates a great many positions, some political berths, if you please. I am opposed to it because of this fact. I am opposed to the resolution because it would tend to lengthen the session at least to sometime in June. I see no reason why we as a deliberate body of this State, should sit here for four or five or six months and legislate. West Virginia has a provision in its constitution that provides—

Mr. URICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. URICH. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman is not speaking on the subject of the resolution.

The SPEAKER. The point of order is not well taken.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, I am reading from the resolution which provides that this report shall be made to this Assembly by the first of June, 1917 and I submit whether that is not germane as to what is to be said on this resolution. What is your ruling?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will proceed.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, in West Virginia the constitution provides that the Legislature shall not be in session more than forty-five days. Judging from what we have done in this session which convened seven weeks ago and up to this time we passed one bill and that was a local bill pertaining to York County, judging from what we have done so far I believe it would be a mighty good plan if we were to get rid of this resolution and pass an amendment to the constitution limiting the time that the Legislature would be in session and then adjourn.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution carries an appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars. I feel that the spirit that prompts this resolution is unholy, is unpolitical, and all that will be accomplished by this resolution going into effect will be the spending of twenty-five thousand dollars. In my oninion there never has been any investigation of the conditions in this Commonwealth that has been of any real benefit to the State. I would prefer to spend this $25,000 where it would be of some good, such as in the building of roads, Mothers pension, or the public schools, some place where we will get full value and not some place where some fellows will go out on a junket and have a good time.

Mr. Speaker. we have heard that there have been some overt acts committed by officials in high office. I maintain that if there is any man here who has any iron in his blood, who has any patriotism, and who knows where some man has violated his oath of office, it is his duty to go to the courts and make information and redress will be forthcoming and not by a resolution of this character which starts no place and ends nowhere. This will simply result in making the breach in the Republican party wider than it is now. Mr. Speaker, I predict that if things go on as they have been. the Republican party will have to take care or something serious will happen to it. Gentlemen you can use your pillory and your stock methods in forcing men into certain things, and you can build up a machine but you cannot build up a party and without a party back of you your machine is impotent. Let us get together fellow Republicans and vote down this resolution. Let us bury it so deep that when the 1918 gubernatorial election comes along its ghost will rise to haunt us.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Beyer.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia. Mr. Beyer, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I will .

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I want to ask the gentleman this question. In the remarks made by Mr. Beyer about a week ago he said "this is the next proposition," speaking of the resolution—

The SPEAKER. I do not think the gentleman is interrogating.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I want to ask this question and I have to read that Mr. Speaker in order to ask the question. He says in his own remarks that. "The next proposition says that the same Senator has been further quoted by the press,"—don't even mention by what part of the press or in what part of the State—but. "by the press of the State as having said 'in my opinion the people of this State will be astonished when the extravagance, absenteeism, misappropriation of funds, political coercion, and intimidation and other scandalous—

The SPEAKER. The Chair will have to rule that the gentleman is not making an interrogation.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I just want to ask the question now. I want to ask, does this resolution before us now cover the same charges?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I want to say that it does, but it does it in a more comprehensive way.

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question

The SPEAKER. If there are no further remarks the Clerk will proceed to call the roll.

On the question recurring,

Shall the resolution pass finally?

The SPEAKER. I hope that order will be maintained and the members will vote loudly so that there can be no mistake made in the roll.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, I arise to a point of information.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of information.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to know whether we are going to vote now on this resolution. or whether we are going to vote on the previous question.

The SPEAKER. The call for the previous question is not insisted upon. The question is on the resolution. Those who vote aye will vote in favor of the resolution, and those who vote no will vote against the resolution on final passage.

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken.

The SPEAKER. The roll will be verified.

The roll was verified as follows:

YEAS—110.

Albee,	Hess,	Perry,	Sones,
Baker,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Spangler,
Baldridge,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Speicher,
Bechtold,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Sprowls,
Benninger,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Lanius,	Richards,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Strauss,
Bovee,	Leary,	Rininger,	Sullivan,
Boyd,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Swartz,
Brady,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Sweitzer,
Burnett,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Thomas,
Campbell, T.,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Ulsh,
Chestnut,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Urich,
Christman,	McCaig,	Scott,	Vogdes,
Clements,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wagner,
Crosby,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	West,
Dale,	McPeake,	Shunk,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Mearkle,	Siggins,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Mervine,	Simpson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Michel,	Sinclair,	Wood,
Donneley,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,	Woodward,
Drake,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,	Wynne,
Erdman,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, J. W.,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	Murdoch,	Smith, O. W.,	Speaker.
Fretz,	Murphy,	Snowden.	
Helt,	Neary,	Somerman,	

NAYS—80.

Aron,	Dewey,	Jack,	Reitzel,
Arthur,	Drinkhouse,	Jennings,	Reynolds,
Aston,	Dunn,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,
Baldi,	Eby,	Lohr,	Rich,
Barner,	Ehrhardt,	Malie,	Ross,
Benchoff,	Fackler,	Maurer,	Rudisill,
Bennett,	Fowler,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.
Bidelspacher,	Franklin,	McKay,	Showalter,
Black,	Geary,	McNichol,	Snyder,
Campbell, J. O.,	Glass,	McVicar,	Steedle,
Canon,	Golder,	Mehring,	Sterling,
Coldsmith,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Stites,
Conner,	Haight,	Milner,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Walker,
Corbin,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Wallace,
Cox,	Hess,	Ogden,	Wells,
Cummins,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, D. F.,	Horne,	Patterson,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Wylie,
Dell,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 16 (House Bill No. 496):

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one) entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipeline, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power and air or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or min-

eral substance, or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing penalties for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," in relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and General.

Senate Bill No. 37 (House Bill No. 497):

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eighteen), entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county of this Commonwealth to contract to repair, build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars," by excepting contracts for the repair or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 52 (House Bill No. 498):

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products, and prescribing penalties.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Senate Bill No. 57 (House Bill No. 499):

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

Which was referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 69 (House Bill No. 500):

A Supplement to the second section of an act entitled "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act, entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement, including townships, among the distributees, and providing for certain conditions upon said distributions.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill No. 82 (House Bill No. 501):

An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 84 (House Bill No. 502):

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 85 (House Bill No. 503):

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 86 (House Bill No. 504):

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 87 (House Bill No. 505):

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis, his wife, residents of Washington Township, County of Erie, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 98 (House Bill No. 506):

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of July, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 112 (House Bill No. 507):

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 114 (House Bill No. 508):

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 118 (House Bill No. 509):

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof, authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon the appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 126 (House Bill No. 510):

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

Senate Bill No. 155 (House Bill No. 511):

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS.

By unanimous consent (at 1.35 P. M.) a recess was taken until 4 o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS.

The House re-convened at 4 o'clock P. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act to further amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act approved the seventh day of February one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171.

Albee,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Geary,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Milner,	Snowden,
Bell,	Golder,	Morgan, T.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haight,	Neary,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Stites,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Clements,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Urich,
Conner,	Jennings,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jones,	Richards,	Wagner,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Walker,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Curry,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dell,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Wood,
Drake,	McCaig,	Scott,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Eby,	McKay,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McNichol,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McPeake,	Siggins,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 175, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the collection revising indexing and proof-reading of the material contained in the pamphlet known as "The Game Fish and Forestry Laws" of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—166.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Aron,	Flynn,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Baker,	Franklin,	Milner,	Snyder,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mitchell,	Somerman,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Barner,	Glass,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stern,
Bidelspacher,	Helt,	Patterson,	Stites,
Black,	Hess,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Bovee,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Boyd,	Hollern,	Reichenbacker,	Swartz,
Brady,	Hollingsworth,	Reitzel,	Sweitzer,
Burnett,	Horne,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Campbell, T.,	Hough,	Rich,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Howarth,	Ringler,	Urich,
Clements,	Isherwood,	Rininger,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Rinn,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jennings,	Robertson,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rogers,	Walker,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ross,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rothenberger,	Weimer
Cummins,	Leary,	Ruddy,	Wells,
Curry,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Scott,	Williams, G. W.
Dear	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Woodward,
Drake,	McKinney,	Siggins,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McNichol,	Simpson,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McPeake,	Sinclair,	Zanders,
Eby,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,	Speaker.
Erdman,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,	
Fackler,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 223, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—172.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Hess,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Powell,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Clements,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jack,	Rich,	Walter,
Cox,	Jennings,	Richards,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wells,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	West,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wickman,

Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shunk,	
Fackler,	McNichol,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 32, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—181.

Albee,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Aston,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Baker,	Gans,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, L.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Barner,	Golder,	Milner,	Somerman,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Helt,	Neary,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hess,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stites,
Brady,	Hollern,	Perry,	Stoffiet,
Burnett,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Horton,	Powell,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Christman,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walker,
Cox,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Leary,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Wells,
Curry,	Lohr,	Robertson,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Malie,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Drake,	McCullough,	Scott,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Eby,	McKinney,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McNichol,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McPeake,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McVicar,	Simpson,	
Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

And said bill having been read at length three times on three separate days, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. REICHENBACKER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the sponsor of this bill explain what is the intent of the bill.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, under the act of 1855, which still remains on our statute books, it seems that foreign corporations, corporations that have been chartered in another state, cannot hold real estate in the State of Pennsylvania unless they have been granted that privilege by the House of Representatives, concurred in by the Senate. The reason of this act is for the purpose of allowing the holding of real estate in Pennsylvania by a corporation chartered outside of the state, but doing business in the state. Since the enactment of the law of 1855 we find some twenty-four cases where foreign corporations, doing business in the State of Pennsylvania, have had to come in and ask for the privilege of doing business here, and getting the consent of this House of Representatives, are continuing to do business in the state. The purposes or businesses have been varied, the iron business and other businesses. They are compelled to pay a foreign corporation tax, the tax of the state, and the tax on the real estate. This bill is simply to assist them in the transaction of their business.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—182.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, F. I.,
Bennett,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Milner,	Snyder,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Somerman,
Bovee,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Brady,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Steedle,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Stern,
Christman,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Stites,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Cook,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Sweitzer,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Thomas,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Urich,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Curry,	Jones,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Dell,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Eby,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McKay,	Scott,	Zanders,

NAYS—2.

Benchoff,	Baldwin,
	Speaker.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 90, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one

thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be placed on the postponed calendar.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvana, to brign suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—174.

Albee,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Gans,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haight,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stern,
Brady,	Helt,	Perry,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hess,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Christman,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Horton,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Howarth,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jack,	Ringler,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rinn,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rogers,	Wells,
Dale,	Leary,	Ross,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Scott,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKay,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McNichol,	Simpson,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 52, as follows:

An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases in which the period of two years the limitation of the warrants of the duplicates of the county State dog poor road city township ward school and borough tax collectors have expired and in case where the power and authority of said tax collectors have expired or shall expire during the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen by virtue of the expiration of their terms of office and said tax collector or collectors have or shall become personally liable for the taxes contained in said duplicates and warrants or any part thereof by reason of the personal payment or otherwise by the said tax collector or collectors of the said taxes or any part thereof without having recovered or collected the same from the person or persons against whom they have been levied and assessed or without having recovered or collected the same from the person or persons owning the property against which the said taxes have been levied and assessed—the said duplicates and warrants and the powers and authority of the said tax collectors in all such cases are hereby revived and extended for another period of two years after the passage of this act and the said tax collector or collectors their executors or administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the said surety or sureties have paid the said taxes are hereby empowered to proceed and collect said taxes from all such persons who have not paid them residing in said district within which said taxes are assessed as well as from all persons who may remove or have removed from said city ward township or townships or boroughs and have neglected to pay the taxes as aforesaid assessed with the like effect as if said warrant or warrants had not expired by the limitation of the two years as aforesaid or the term of office of said tax collector had not expired Provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to warrants issued prior to the year one thousand eight hundred ninety-four and that nothing in this act shall release any bondsman or security Provided That this act shall not apply to cities having special laws on this subject Provided also That no collector or the sureties thereof who take advantage of this act shall be permitted to plead the statute of limitations in any action brought to recover the amount of any duplicate or warrant so extended or renewed Provided further That no statute of limitations shall prevent the collection of any tax for which the warrants and powers and authorities of the said tax collectors have been so as aforesaid extended renewed and revived

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker. I would like to have the sponsor for this bill explain its provisions.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, this is a formal act that has been passed by every Legislature for many years. It is for the purpose of extending the time for the collection of the tax. It is for the benefit of the taxpayers as well as for the benefit of the tax collectors. For instance, if a tax collector fails to collect within the time, it would be a hardship on the taxpayer. It has been the custom of the Legislature of Pennsylvania to pass an act identically the same as this for many years.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—182.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stern,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rich,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jones,	Richards,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dale,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,

Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Drake,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKay,	Showalter,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 279 (Senate No. 18), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—184.

Albee,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Flynn,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stern,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hollern,	Perry,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Horne,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wells,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Richards,	West,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Mangan,	Ross,	Wood,
Dell,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Drake,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Dunn,	McKay,	Shattuck,	
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Showalter,	
Erdman,	McNichol,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed it without amendment.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 339 (Senate Bill No. 89), entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registration and from licenses fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said source for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered. To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF FISHERIES.

The Chair laid before the House the Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries made in compliance with the resolution passed in the House of Representatives January 29, 1917 requesting information in regard to the fishway in McCall's Ferry dam.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this report be laid on the table for the present.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. POWELL, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 267, entitled

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines.

Mr. POWELL, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to the burial of bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

Mr. DAWSON, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships in this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an

act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restriction, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 4.50 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, February 15, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. M. D. Lichliter offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, in prayer and supplication, with praise and thanksgiving we come to Thee this morning realizing that all merit that may be within us comes from Thee in whom we live, move and have our being.

Direct in the work of this House. Bless each member thereof. May all that is done be done for Thy glory. Guide us by Thy counsel through life and in death save us through Christ. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Edgar R. Smith, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 432.

An Act to amend Section 1 of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants, advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, shall be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the third day of May, A. D. 1909, so as to cause advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court, to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, to be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, or more, instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants, as required by the first act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 433.

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Mission, of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 434.

An Act to provide and maintain first aid corps and rescue corps in the coal mines of the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. McCURDY. House Bill No. 435.

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights, and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," by including instruments and devices used for weighing by manufacturers and at mines and quarries, and by which the wages of employes are determined.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. DAVID F. DAVIS. House Bill No. 436.

An Act dedicating fifty per centum of the fund received from the tax on coal and appropriating the same to the several cities, boroughs and townships under which said coal is mined or in which the same is washed, and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DAVID F. DAVIS. House Bill No. 437.

An Act imposing a State tax on coal; providing for the assessment and collection of the said tax annually; dedicating fifty per centum of the fund received from said tax and appropriating the same to the construction; maintenance, improvement and repair of State highway; providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SWEITZER. House Bill No. 438.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the County of Clarion.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 439.

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests, and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Referred to the Committee on Forestry.

By Mr. PALMER. House Bill No. 440.

An Act to amend an act, approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act allowing mileage to assessors and assistant assessors, whose duties pertain to assessments for purposes of State and county taxation, or either, when traveling to or from the county-seats of their respective counties, or attending before the county commissioners elsewhere than at the county-seat;" allowing mileage to assessors and assistant assessors for every mile necessarily traveled in the performance of their duties.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. PALMER. House Bill No. 441.

An act to further amend the eighty-ninth section of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships, and county and township officers;" as amended, by fixing the per diem compensation of assessors and assistant assessors.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 442.

An Act to amend further an act, approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act applicable to all counties of this Commonwealth, to provide monthly payments, as approved by the trustees, to indigent, widowed, or abandoned mothers for partial support of their children in their own homes; the manner of appointment of trustees, the administration of the trust; amount of appropriations, proportioning appropriations, co-ordinate appropriations; amounts to be paid,

form of records, eligibility, penalties, and reports as set forth," by increasing the number of trustees and by vesting powers of appointment in the county commissioners and in the trustees.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 443.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania, providing for the initiative and referendum.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. SHUNK. House Bill No. 444.

An Act to protect public life and property by compelling railroads and railway companies to establish and maintain red lights at grade crossings; imposing certain powers and duties on the Public Service Commission; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. PALMER. House Bill No. 445.

An Act to amend section four of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes,' approved the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board, authorizing the Governor to appoint a Qauarntine Physician, and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station, and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto," approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 446.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Trustees of the Central State Normal School of Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 447.

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms, billiard rooms, bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," and to regulate the time for the closing the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 448.

An Act making an appropriation to the Shenango Valley Hospital of New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 449.

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of County Bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. HOWARTH. House Bill No. 450.

An Act to prohibit the clerks of orphans' court from issuing a marriage license to persons of Caucasian and Ethiopian descent who desire to intermarry.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 451.

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds of certain life insurance and annuity contracts, bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 452.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Joseph's Protectory for Homeless Boys, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 453.

An Act requiring assessors and assistant assessors to make a return of the days employed to the county commissioners, and providing for their compensation.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. SOMERMAN. House Bill No. 454.

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act providing for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways in the several counties of this Commonwealth, making such improved roads and highways county roads, authorizing the relocation, opening, straightening, widening, extension and alteration of the same, and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in making such improvements, and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said road, and authorizing the levy of a tax to provide a fund for said purposes," approved the twenty-sixth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 455.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act amending the first section of an act, approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of county commissioners in counties of this Commonwealth," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred five,' by increasing the classes of counties established therein, so that the class described, from more than one hundred thousand population and less than one hundred fifty thousand population, is divided into counties having more than one hundred thousand population and less than one hundred fifteen thousand population, and counties having more than one hundred fifteen thousand population and less than one hundred and twenty-five thousand population, and counties having more than one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and less than one hundred fifty thousand population; and increasing the salaries of the county commissioners in the last two classes, from eighteen hundred dollars per annum to two thousand dollars and two thousand four hundred dollars per annum respectively, and increasing the salaries, in counties having a population over fifty thousand and less than seventy-five thousand, twelve hundred dollars; but where the commissioners are directors of the poor, then eighteen hundred dollars," by providing extra compensation in certain cases where the commissioners are directors or overseers of the poor.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 456.

An Act to amend part of the tenth section of an act, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property and to what extent liens shall be allowed for taxes and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales," approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, as said tenth section was amended by an act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, and further amended by an act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine, and which was still further amended by an act approved the twentieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. ERDMAN. House Bill No. 457.

An Act making an appropriation to the Allentown Hospital, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 458.

An Act making an appropriation to the Suburban General Hospital, of Bellevue, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 459.

An Act prohibiting trespassing on any railroad, railway or any railroad or railway cars in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and providing a penalty therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 460.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home of Industry for Discharged Prisoners of the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 461.

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws, two hundred thirty-seven), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class; providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 462.

An Act to amend section ten of the act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SULLIVAN. House Bill No. 463.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home of the Good Shepherd, Lincoln Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DEAN. House Bill No. 464.

A Joint Resolution providing for a commission to investigate and report the increase in the cost of bituminous coal; empowering said commission to issue subpoenas and providing for the attendance of witnesses, and the penalty for failure to obey such subpoenas; and making an appropriation for the cost and expense of said commission.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 465.

An Act making it unlawful to use any type of mining machine in retreat mining in the removal of ribs, stumps or pillars in any bituminous coal mine in the State of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 466.

An Act making an appropriation to the Almira Home for Aged Women of New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BURNETT. House Bill No. 467.

An Act making an appropriation for the Hospital Department of the Jewish Hospital Association of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BALDRIDGE. House Bill No. 468.

An Act fixing the salaries of the County Engineer and Deputy County Engineer in counties containing a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 469.

An Act making an appropriation to the Johnstown City Hospital, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

By Mr. LAFFERTY. House Bill No. 470.

An Act making an appropriation to the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LAFFERTY. House Bill No. 471.

An Act making an appropriation to the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BALDRIDGE. House Bill No. 472.

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of, contracts for work and labor to be done, and labor or materials to be furnished, to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipeline, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway, or railroad line; canal, mill-race; works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold air, or any other substance to be furnished to the public; well for the production of gas, oil, or other volatile or mineral substance, or other structure or improvement, or whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto; approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one; so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary local.

By Mr. OGDEN. House Bill No. 473.

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings for the payment of the cost of bridges erected in pursuance of proceedings under the Act of May 5, 1911 (P. L. 177), entitled "An Act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to build bridges over any river, not more than one thousand feet and not less than five hundred feet in width, at localities not less than ten miles distant from the nearest public bridge over the same river, in counties whose indebtedness, increased by the cost of said bridge, would exceed the constitutional limitation of two percentum of their assessed valuation."

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 474.

An Act requiring all question of fact involved in the trial by jury of actions in assumpsit in the several courts of this Commonwealth to be submitted to the jury when the determination thereof depends upon oral testimony to overcome a presumption of law and involves the credibility of witnesses.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RUDDY. House Bill No. 475.

An Act making an appropriation to the Society of the Home for the Friendless Women and Children of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WYNNE. House Bill No. 476.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved May five, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend section of an act, approved June twenty-two, one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, entitled 'An Act to amend section four of an act approved June eight, one thousand eight hundred eighty-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the creation of a poorhouse by the Township of Jenkins, Borough of Pittston and Township of Pittston, in the County of Luzerne,' approved May eight, one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven, allowing an increase in the amount of relief that may be granted to paupers not residing in the poorhouse in said district," authorizing an increase in the amount of relief that may be granted to paupers not residing in the poorhouse in said district.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 477.

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth, and validating certain titles.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 478.

An Act regulating the use of vehicles on the public highways; requiring lights on certain vehicles; and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 479.

An Act relating to drugs, regulating the possession, control, dealing in, sale, dispensing, distribution, prescription, trafficing in, or giving away of certain drugs, regulating the use of drugs in the cure of the drug habit; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 480.

An Act making an appropriation to the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 481.

An Act making an appropriation to the Indiana Hospital of Indiana County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 482.

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act creating a Sinking-Fund Commission, in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants; prescribing its powers and duties; and repealing acts inconsistent herewith," approved the first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. FLYNN. House Bill No. 483.

An Act making an appropriation to the Elk County General Hospital, of Ridgway, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 484.

An Act to protect the public health and safety by regulating the hours of labor of power plant employes; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; by prescribing penalties for violation thereof; and by defining the procedure for the prosecution of persons violating the same.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 485.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section four, article six of the Constitution of Pennsylvania relating to the removal of appointed officers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 486.

An Act prohibiting political activity by appointed officers, clerks and employes of cities of the first class; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; giving taxpayers a right of action to restrain payment of compensation to persons violating this act; and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 487.

An Act supplementing and amending an act approved the tenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act to regulate the nomination and election of public officers, requiring certain expenses incident thereto to be paid by the several counties, and punishing certain offenses in regard to such elections," as amended; regulating assistance to voters in marking their ballots at elections.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 488.

An Act providing for leave to pay fines and costs in criminal proceedings by installments.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 489.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five, section twelve of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 490.

An Act prohibiting the solicitation, payment or receipt in any public building belonging to any city of the first class of any money or valuable thing for political purposes; prohibiting the solicitation or receipt by or from officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prohibiting the payment by officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; prescribing methods of enforcing this penalty, and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 491.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five, section one, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WAGNER. House Bill No. 492.

An Act making an appropriation to the Boys' Industrial Home of Western Pennsylvania, located at Oakdale, Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 493.

An Act to amend section one of an act, approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen, in cities of the second class, by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. House Bill No. 494.

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," as amended, by removing the exemption granted corporations, limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes; and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations, limited partnerships, and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes, and appropriating the same for State and State-aid highway purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PICKERING. House Bill No. 495.

An Act to authorize the acquisition by purchase or condemnation of lands for a park and the erection of monument commemorative of Washington crossing the River Delaware, and for the appointment of a commission to acquire said land and erect such monument and making an appropriation for the purpose of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FLYNN. House Bill No. 512.

An Act making an appropriation to the Topographic and Geologic Survey Commission of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of preparing and completing a topographic or maps of the State, and to further carry into effect the provisions of the act, entitled "An Act authorizing the Topographic and Geologic Survey Commission of Pennsylvania to establish and maintain a topographic and geologic survey of the State; fixing salaries; providing for the printing and binding of the results of said survey, and furnishing of supplies stationery; and making an appropriation for," approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 513.

An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of poisonous fly paper or other poisonous fly killer, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 514.

An Act to create the Home Education Bureau for Child Welfare in the Department of Public Instruction, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 515.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 516.

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control, and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees, commonly called the chestnut-tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof; and making an appropriation therefore," and the amendment to the same, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirteen).

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 517.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 518.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 519.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 520.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 521.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 522.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 523.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 524.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 525.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 526.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 527.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 528.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 529.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts of justice of record and not of record.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 530.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the estate of decedents.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 531.

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens, and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 532.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to dentistry.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 533.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to domestic animals.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 534.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 535.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 536.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 537.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 538.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 539.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 540.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 541.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to municipalities.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 542.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 543.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and pedlers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 544.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing highways.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 545.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 546.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 547.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 548.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 549.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 550.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 551.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 552.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 553.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to labor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 554.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 555.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 556.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 557.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics' liens.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 558.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 559.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 560.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 561.

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (P. L. 217), entitled "A Supplement to the act, passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled an act to prevent the destruction of timber, and supplementary to the act, entitled an act to prevent the damage which may happen by firing woods; passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 562.

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (P. L. 111), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue,

so derived, for school and road purposes," insofar as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 563.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 564.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 565.

An Act to repeal the act, approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing a penalty for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads of the trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 566.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to trade regulations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 567.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 568.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 569.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to servants.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 570.

An act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (P. L. 454), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the States Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin and Adams counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 571.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 572.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 573.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to oaths and affirmations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 574.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 575.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to Public Accounts.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 576.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to trade regulations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 577.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 578.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 579.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 580.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 581.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 582.

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 583.

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth, in State Hospitals for the insane,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three," as amended; by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 584.

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school-districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, one thousand eight

hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereof and supplements thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General

By Mr. GOLDER. House Bill No. 585.

An Act making an appropriation to the Northwestern General Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 586.

An Act making an appropriation to the George Junior Republic Association, of Western Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 587.

An Act to amend part of section six and section nine of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pensylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Referred to Committee on Public Roads

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 588.

An Act making an appropriation to the German Hospital, of the City of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 589.

An Act to amend section eight of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-six), entitled "An Act for the taxation of dogs and the protection of sheep.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 590.

An Act fixing the compensation of auditors in townships of the first and second class.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. FLYNN. House Bill No. 591.

An Act authorizing the court of quarter sessions to make orders and decrees for the removal of bodies interred in burial grounds or cemeteries in or adjacent to cities, belonging to any person, partnership, association or corporation, and providing for the cost of the removal of such bodies.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 592.

An Act making it unlawful for any individual or individuals to carry on or conduct any business under an assumed or fictitious name, style or designation unless upon the filing of a certificate to that effect in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and of the prothonotary; requiring county commissioners at the expense of the county to provide books for the entry of such certificates; fixing the fees of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and prothonotary; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. SHOWALTER. House Bill No. 593.

An Act to prohibit the co-mingling of persons of different sex in wine rooms and provide a penalty for the violation of the same.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. HEFFERNAN. House Bill No. 594.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight, article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. CLEMENTS. House Bill No. 595.

An Act promoting the safety of employes and travelers upon railroads by prohibiting common carriers by railroads from the operation of freight trains of more than one-half mile in length and the operation of passenger trains of more than ten cars in length; prescribing the effect of such illegal operation of trains in suits for injuries arising therefrom and making such illegal operation a misdemeanor and providing penalty therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 596.

An Act to provide for the dissemination of political pamphlets by public and for the payment of any deficit in the cost thereof out of public treasuries and to impose duties on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, clerks of courts, assessors, and their respective subordinates.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WOOD, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

Mr. MARVIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended House Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

Mr. SINCLAIR, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward L. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

Mr. PICKERING, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 319, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen, to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors, and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture, and all other actual and necessary expenses.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 349, entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third, and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania, heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs; making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling, and proof-reading, and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same, and for paper.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 339 (Senate Bill No. 89), entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from licenses fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said source for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the employment of persons in compressed air work.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 267, entitled

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

And said bill having been read at length the first time

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships in this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restriction, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER. I would say that this clears the calendar. There does not appear to be any reason for the House to have further sessions this week, therefore a motion to adjourn means a motion to adjourn until Monday evening at 9 o'clock. I would like to say to the members of the House that the Chair would appreciate it if wherever there are a sufficient number of members here they would hold committee meetings and try to get out some of the many bills that they think they are ready to report out so that we will have work on the calendar for next week.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. GLASS. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 10.30 A. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, February 19, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, February 19, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for all the blessings of life, and for the assurance that we can have Thy guidance in every crisis that may come upon us. We pray, not only that we may be able to discover truth in all its relations, but that having discovered this truth we may assume the obligation that goes with it to fulfill the duties that are expected of us. We pray that Thy blessing may be upon this distinguished body so that in all of their deliberations they may legislate for the best interest of all the people of this great Commonwealth. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITION.

Mr. VARE presented the petition of citizens of Philadelphia endorsing the Hess-Wells Bill to abolish capital punishment in Pennsylvania.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BUCKMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Montgomery, Mr. Croft, for the balance of the week.

Mr. SPROUL asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Fayette, Mr. Crow, for the balance of the week.

Mr. MAGEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 32 (Senate Bill No. 229), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 37 (Senate Bill No. 230), entitled

An Act to further amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act approved the seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding, to carry out the provisions of section twelve, article three of the Constitution, in relation to the public printing and binding, and the supply of paper and other materials therefor" as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Printing.

House Bill No. 52 (Senate Bill No. 231), entitled

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough, and township tax collectors, their executors and administrators if they are deceased, or either surety or sureties, if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes, to collect taxes, for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same, by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds, or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants, or by the expiration of their terms of office, and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 85 (Senate Bill No. 232), entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

House Bill No. 87 (Senate Bill No. 233), entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 162 (Senate Bill No. 234), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 175 (Senate Bill No. 235), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the collection, revising, indexing and proof-reading of the material contained in the pamphlet known as "The Game, Fish, and Forestry Laws" of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 223 (Senate Bill No. 236), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATION FROM INSURANCE COMMISSIONER IN COMPLIANCE WITH CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND TO FURNISH LIST OF INSURANCE COMPANIES TO WHOM STATE COMPENSATION FUND INSURANCE HAS BEEN UNDERWRITTEN, WITH AMOUNTS OF INSURANCE.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Pennsylvania, which was read as follows:

Pennsylvania
Insurance Department

Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: Complying with the Concurrent Resolution directing the "Insurance Commissioner and Workmen's Compensation Fund to furnish list of insurance companies to whom State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten, with amounts of insurance," I have the honor to report that there is absolutely no record in the Insurance Department showing any transactions of the State Insurance Fund.

The minutes of the State Workmen's Insurance Board show that the Assistant Manager of the State Workmen's Insurance Fund was authorized to secure insurance against the catastrophe hazard of the risks assumed by the State Workmen's Insurance Fund wherever it could be procured and the minutes of this Board further show that this insurance was secured from London Lloyd's to the amount of $165,000.00; Excess Insurance Company, Ltd., London, Eng., $20,000.00; and Consolidated Assurance Company, London, Eng., $15,000.00.

These transactions occurred previous to my appointment as Insurance Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. O'NEIL,
Insurance Commissioner.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE STATE WORKMEN'S INSURANCE FUND IN COMPLIANCE WITH CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND TO FURNISH LIST OF INSURANCE COMPANIES TO WHOM STATE COMPENSATION FUND INSURANCE HAS BEEN UNDERWRITTEN, WITH AMOUNTS OF INSURANCE.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from the State Workmen's Insurance Fund of the State of Pennsylvania, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
State Workmen's Insurance Fund.

Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

In response to the Concurrent Resolution, directing the "Insurance Commissioner and Workmen's Compensation Fund to furnish list of Insurance Companies to whom State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten with amounts of Insurance," the State Workmen's Insurance Board submits a full and complete list of all the Insurance Companies by whom the risks of the State Workmen's Insurance Fund have been underwritten, together with the amounts of insurance carried with each of said companies, as follows:

London Lloyd's	$165,000.00
Excess Insurance Co., Ltd., London	20,000.00
Consolidated Assurance Co., Ltd., London	15.000,00

Act 340 of the Compensation laws of 1915, Section XIV, reads as follows:

"The said Board shall have the power to reinsure any risk which they may deem necessary."

Efforts were made by the Board to place re-insurance of catastrophe hazard with a company or companies licensed to do this class of insurance in Pennsylvania. Not succeeding in this undertaking re-insurance was placed as above stated, after the Board had satisfied itself as to the validity of these carriers. The Board has at all times been willing to re-insure its catastrophe hazard in reputable insurance companies licensed to do this class of business in Pennsylvania and still stands ready so to do, upon as favorable terms as those on which it is now being obtained.

State Workmen's Insurance Board.
ROBERT KENNEDY YOUNG,
Chairman.

RESOLUTION FROM THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries:

Pennsylvania.
Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
Harrisburg, Pa., February 17, 1917.

To the Senate of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.,

Gentlemen: In accordance with the request of the Legislature of the State of New York, I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a concurrent resolution of the General Assembly of the State of New York, relating to the protection of migratory birds.

Respectfully yours,
CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Enclosure.

State of New York.
In Senate, Albany, January 31, 1917.

By Mr. Walton:

Concurrent Resolution of the Senate and Assembly.

Section 1. Whereas, the convention between the United States and Great Britain for the protection of the migratory birds was ratified on the seventh day of December, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen; and

Whereas, In order to give effect to such convention there has been introduced in the Senate of United States a bill, S. No. 7858 and in the House of Representatives a bill, H. R. No. 20080 for the purpose of giving effect to such a convention; and

Whereas, There is a very general sentiment in this State in favor of, and an urgent request for, the enactment of a law to give effect to such convention;

Now, therefore be it resolved, If the Assembly concur, that Congress be and hereby is requested to enact a law giving effect to such convention, and

Be it further resolved, that Legislatures of all states of the United States now in session be, and they are respectfully requested to join in this request by the adoption of this or any equivalent resolution; and

Be it further resolved, That Congress be and hereby is requested to make adequate appropriation for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions contained in the bills, S. No. 7858 and H. R. No. 20080.

Be it further resolved, that the Secretary of State be and he hereby is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the United States Senate and to the House of Representatives and to the several members of such bodies representing this State therein; and to transmit copies hereof to the legislatures of all the other States of the Union.

By order of the Senate,
ERNEST A. FAY,
Clerk.

In Assembly, January 31, 1917, concurred in without amendment.

By order of the Assembly,
FRED W. HAMMOND, Clerk.

Filed February 1, 1917.
Francis M. Hugo,
Secretary of State.

State of New York, Office of the Secretary of State.

I have compared the preceding copy of resolution of the Senate and Assembly with the original resolution on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

Given under my hand and seal of the office of the Secretary of State, at the City of Albany, this 2nd day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

FRANCIS M. HUGO,
Secretary of State.

(Seal)

RESOLUTION FROM THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF POLYGAMY.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows and referred to the Committee on Judiciary General:

Pennsylvania.
Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
Harrisburg, Pa., February 17, 1917.

To the Senate of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.,

Gentlemen: I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a concurrent resolution passed by the legislature of the State of South Carolina, relating to the practice of polygamy.

Respectfully yours,
CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

State of South Carolina,
Executive Department.
By the Secretary of State.

Under and pursuant to the provisions of a Concurrent Resolution of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, passed at the regular session of 1915, the appended Resolution being a true and correct copy of the original, I have the honor, agreeable to its provisions, to transmit the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the State, at Columbia, this the twenty-eighth day of January, A. D. 1916.

R. M. McCOWN,
Secretary of State.

(Seal)

S. 208. H. 664.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Whereas, It appears from investigation recently made by the Senate of the United States, and otherwise, that polygamy still exists in certain places in the United States, notwithstanding prohibitory statutes enacted by the several states thereof; and

Whereas, The practice of polygamy is generally condemned by the people of the United States, and there is a demand for the more effectual prohibition thereof by placing the subject under Federal jurisdiction and control, at the same time reserving to each State the right to make and enforce its own laws relating to marriage and divorce; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate the House concurring:

1st. That the application be made and hereby is made, to Congress under the provisions of Article Five of the Constitution of the United States for the calling of a convention to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States whereby polygamy and polygamous cohabitation shall be prohibited, and Congress shall be given power to enforce such prohibition by appropriate legislation.

2nd. That the Legislatures of all other states of the United States, now in session or when next convened, be, and they hereby are, respectfully requested to join in this application by the adoption of this or an equivalent resolution.

3rd. That the Secretary of State be, and he hereby is, directed to transmit copies of this application to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States and to the several members of said bodies representing this State therein; also to transmit copies hereof to the Legislatures of all other States of the United States.

In the Senate, Columbia, S. C., February 12, 1915.

The Senate agrees to the resolution and orders that it be sent to the House for concurrence.

By order of the Senate.
M. M. MANN,
Clerk of the Senate.

In the House, Columbia, S. C., February 15, 1915.

The House agrees to the resolution and orders that it be returned to the Senate with concurrence.

By order of the House.
J. WILSON GIBBES,
Clerk of the House.

RESOLUTION FROM THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF UTAH RELATING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN WILD ANIMALS.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Pennsylvania
Office of the
Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Harrisburg, February 17, 1917.

To the Senate of Pennsylvania,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to transmit herewith the following certified copies of Memorials passed by the Legislature of the State of Utah:

Senate Joint Memorial Number Five—
relating to the destruction of certain wild animals.

Senate Joint Memorial Number One—
A petition for the enactment by the Congress of the United States of House Resolution No. 15,859, introduced by Mr. Foster.

Respectfully yours,
CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NUMBER FIVE, RELATING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN WILD ANIMALS.

Senate Joint Memorial No. 5 was read as follows and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States.

Your memorialists, the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Utah, respectfully represent that

Whereas, In the Western States, known as the public land States, the losses of livestock and poultry due to the attacks of coyotes, wolves, wild cats, cougars and bears amounts to not less than $15,000,000.00 annually, and

Whereas, In these western public land States the State, county and stockmen do now and have for years paid large bounties and used other means to bring about the eradication of these carnivorous wild animals, and

Whereas, In these western public land States, there is now withdrawn from settlement in some form or other approximately 225,000,000 acres of Federal land, which land constitutes the principal breeding ground and refuge of these carnivorous wild animals and enables them to increase their numbers in spite of the efforts made by State, county and stockmen to exterminate them.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, That the Legislature of the State of Utah does hereby most respectfully urge and requests that Congress immediately appropriate the sum of $300,000.00 to be used by the United States Department of Agriculture for the destruction of coyotes, wolves, wildcats, cougars and bears in these western public land States in order that the meat supply of the nation may be increased and the proper development of the West encouraged.

Approved March 1, 1915.

State of Utah.
Secretary of State's Office.

I, David Mattson, Secretary of State, of the State of Utah, do hereby certify:

That the foregoing Memorial is a full, true and complete copy of the original thereof, which was filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Utah on the 1st day of March A. D. 1915.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah, this twenty-first day of June, A. D. 1915.

(The Great Seal of the State of Utah, 1896.)

DAVID MATTSON,
Secretary of State.

RESOLUTION FROM THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF UTAH PRAYING FOR THE ENACTMENT BY THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 15869.

Senate Joint Memorial No. 1 was read as follows and referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining:

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NUMBER ONE—A PETITION FOR THE ENACTMENT BY THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 15869, INTRODUCED BY MR. FOSTER.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress Assembled.

Your memorialists, the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Utah, respectfully represent that—

Whereas, There is now pending in Congress H. R. 15,869, introduced by Mr. Foster, entitled "A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of mining experiment and mine safety stations for making investigations and disseminating information among employes in mining, quarrying, metallurgical and other mineral industries, and for other purposes;" and

Whereas, The purpose of this bill is "to improve conditions in the mining, quarrying, metallurgical and other mineral industries, safeguarding life among employes, preventing unnecessary waste of resources, and otherwise contributing to the advancement of these industries;" and

Whereas, This proposed legislation will be of very great importance to Utah and to all other mining States, by reason of advancing mine safety education and mine rescue work, and also by reason of making commercially valuable large bodies of low-grade ore, which cannot now be worked for want of suitable processes; and

Whereas, The mining industry has hitherto not received from the Federal government the recognition and aid that its importance deserves, and has therefore been deprived of the encouragement which has proved so wise and beneficial in the case of agricultural; and

Whereas, This bill will broaden the scope to the United States Bureau of Mines, and will enable it to undertake much needed work in the behalf of the metalliferous mining instead of being practically restricted to coal mining as heretofore; and

Whereas, These enlarged activities of the Bureau of Mines are confidently expected to result in incalculable public benefit, not only to the mining states, but to the entire nation;

Therefore, we, the Governor and Legislature of the State of Utah, respectfully memorialize and urge the Congress of the United States to enact the pending Foster Bill into law.

Approved March 6, 1915.

State of Utah.
Secretary of State's Office.

I, David Mattson, Secretary of State of the State of Utah, do hereby certify:

That the foregoing Memorial is a full, true and complete copy of the original thereof, which was filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Utah, on the 6th day of March, 1915.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah, this twenty-first day of June, A. D. 1915.

(The Great Seal of the State of Utah.)

DAVID MATTSON,
Secretary of State.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their conformation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

J. C. Sherriff, Pittsburgh.
Joseph B. Stanford, Pittsburgh.
Percy Whitaker, McKeesport.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Harry G. Pedlow, Harrisburg.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Raymond B. Shultz, Columbia.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Mary Donohue, Newport Township.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Stephen Dyer, Scranton.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

Harry M. Wick, Bradford.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Israel Kohn, Philadelphia.
Miss Anna T. Lynch, Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Waldo E. Dalbey, Donora.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Jno. D. Gill, Greensburg.
Howard H. Whitehead, Greensburg.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

P. J. Bauer, Millvale, February 25, 1917.
J. M. Holliday, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
A. M. Simon, McKeesport, March 3, 1917.
A. M. Hamilton, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
Ignatius H. Roth, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
Mrs. Ida A. Sturtevant, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
M. Roy Baldwin, Coraopolis, March 11, 1917.
R. W. Junker, McKeesport, March 11, 1917.
M. A. Rusk, Ingram, March 16, 1917.
H. N. Cobbett, Pittsburgh, March 13, 1917.
W. E. Reed, Duquesne, March 17, 1917.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Mrs. Laura E. Nelson, Apollo, February 27, 1917.
Miss M. E. Kennedy, Freeport, March 11, 1917.

BUTLER COUNTY.

J. Harvey Bell, Washington Township, March 10, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Douglas Craig, Mauch Chunk, February 23, 1917.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

J. Lewis Irwin, Clearfield, March 10, 1917.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Miss Adelaide L. Ferris, Bloomsburg, March 10, 1917.

ELK COUNTY.

J. N. Trexell, Ridgway, February 27, 1917.

GREENE COUNTY.

Jno. L. Wood, Waynesburg, February 22, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

B. G. Hipple, Marietta, February 27, 1917.
Samuel B. Kiefer, Elizabethtown, March 10, 1917.

LEBANON COUNTY.

Milton L. Hartman, Heidelberg Twp., March 10, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

William A. Gotthardt, Allentown, March 12, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Jesse R. Evans, Pottstown, March 10, 1917.

PERRY COUNTY.

Reuben H. Kell, Blain, March 1, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles Weissinger, Philadelphia, February 25, 1917.
Howard A. Darling, Philadelphia, February 26, 1917.
David E. Simon, Philadelphia, February 27, 1917.
Harry R. Nathanson, Philadelphia, March 3, 1917.
Justus R. Holme, Jr., Philadelphia, March 4, 1917.
J. Alfred Coxe, Philadelphia, March 5, 1917.
Miss Elizabeth Cassidy, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
William T. Dickson, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
G. A. Hildebrand, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Vito M. Baldi, Philadelphia, March 17, 1917.
C. E. Hanna, Philadelphia, March 19, 1917.
Albert E. Miller, Philadelphia, March 19, 1917.

POTTER COUNTY.

Charles C. Van De Boe, Shinglehouse, March 11, 1917.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Alphonsus Walsh, Dushore, March 10, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Miss Lottie L. Uncapher, Vandergrift, March 11, 1917.
Jos. J. Knappenberger, Greensburg, March 17, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 15, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Horace A. Lenhart, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Middletown, County of Dauphin, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice George W. Rodfong, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ALDERMAN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Harry F. Turner, to be Alderman for the Thirteenth Ward of the City of Johnstown, County of Cambria, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice John A. Sweeney, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Isaac R. Hitt, to be Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence in the District of Columbia, for five years to compute from February 19, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Laura E. Smith, to be Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence in New York City, N. Y., for the term of five years to compute from date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate,

the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ADAMS COUNTY.

C. L. Myers, York Springs.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

D. H. Hostetter, Jr., Pittsburgh.
Louis A. Barmen, Pittsburgh.
J. C. Adams, Pittsburgh.
Miss L. J. Brown, Pittsburgh.
Alex. S. Mabon, Pittsburgh.
William H. Hunter, Hays.
Clark M. Kefover, Pittsburgh.
Charles Meres, McKees Rocks.
Thomas J. Tunney, Pittsburgh.
E. J. Fitzsimmons, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Maude L. McMaster, Pittsburgh.
John W. Hague, Pittsburgh.
Lawrence R. Hugo, McKeesport.
Miss Elizabeth Price, Pittsburgh.
Glenn H. Leresche, Pittsburgh.
R. M. George, Pittsburgh.
Edward H. Flood, Pittsburgh.
W. C. Kane, Braddock.
Miss Myrtle M. Schmidt, Pittsburgh.
A. N. Voegtly, Pittsburgh.
Arthur C. Christiansen, McKees Rocks.
Mrs. Anna L. Hunt, Pittsburgh.
J. C. Roche, Pittsburgh.
D. R. McLain, Pittsburgh.
John M. Kelly, Pittsburgh.
James Milholland, Pittsburgh.
John McCabe, Pittsburgh.
Benjamin H. Rush, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. B. M. Clayson, Pittsburgh.
E. J. Smail, Pittsburgh.
Miss Cecelia O'Leary, Pittsburgh.
Edward C. Hagan, Pittsburgh.
Edward D. Riddle, Pittsburgh.
Miss Cora J. Naugle, Pittsburgh.
Miss Clara A. Bursner, Pittsburgh.
Miss Lottie R. Keys, Pittsburgh.
Louis Greenberger, Pittsburgh.
Joseph I. Winslow, Pittsburgh.
Elmer J. Stewart, Pittsburgh.
John Bartek, Pittsburgh.
Leo A. Ivory, East Pittsburgh.
Fred A. Secher, Carrick.
Harmar D. Denny, Jr., Pittsburgh.
D. J. Walter, Carnegie.
A. R. Robitzek, Aspinwall.
Elbert S. Fairchild, Pittsburgh.
Walter F. Weitershausen, Pittsburgh.
George R. Brannon, Pittsburgh.
Miss Anna E. Baxter, Pittsburgh.
W. Scott Newcomer, Pittsburgh.
Miss Hazel E. Ely, Pittsburgh.
Charles Uhlinger, Springdale.
Thatcher H. Spain, Pittsburgh.
Geo. J. Campbell, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Lida St. J. Wright, Pittsburgh.
Wm. J. Anawalt, Pittsburgh.
W. F. Craig, Pittsburgh.
R. M. Evans, Pittsburgh.
Samuel T. Harris, Pittsburgh.
C. F. Lilliquist, Pittsburgh.
Joseph W. Eyler, Pittsburgh.
Francesco Pascuzzi, Pittsburgh.
Edward E. Duff, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary S. Buckley, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary A. Padden, Pittsburgh.
Wm. L. Douglass, Elizabeth Township.
J. Lawrence Keane, Pittsburgh.
James E. Calhoun, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Jesse P. Eckler, McKeesport.
M. Benner Gosser, Pittsburgh.
T. A. McAleer, Pittsburgh.
Charles H. Wood, Pittsburgh.
Paul A. Hughes, Pittsburgh.
Miss Emma A. Huhn, Pittsburgh.
Robert Dillon, Mt. Lebanon Township.
A. Roy Carson, Pittsburgh.
C. W. Soles, McKeesport.
Miss Mary Eberle, Pittsburgh.
Harry A. Robinson, West Elizabeth.
Harold K. Leitch, Pittsburgh.
Edouard de Mey, Pittsburgh.
George G. Shultz, Pitcairn.
Ephriam Byers, Pittsburgh.
F. D. Evans, Pittsburgh.
H. A. Gross, Pittsburgh.
Geo. B. Whitfield, Jr., Braddock.
Charles B. Reynolds, Pittsburgh.
William H. Granger, Whitaker.
Carlo Rossi, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary Brink, Pittsburgh.
Austin L. George, Pittsburgh.
Frank Celko, Tarentum.
Homer C. Stewart, Pittsburgh.
R. T. Graham, Pittsburgh.
H. C. Heil, Pittsburgh.
Miss Selma M. Iseman, Tarentum.
Willis L. Cornell, Pittsburgh.
Vane L. McQuistion, West Deer Township.
Julius Spatz, Pittsburgh.
Haven V. Wolf, Wilkinsburg.
Samuel Silverman, Pittsburgh.
G. A. Pivirotto, Pittsburgh.
Carl F. Morlock, McKeesport.
Emmett F. Burdick, Pittsburgh.
Miss Alice B. Dice, Pittsburgh.
Miss Louise M. Schultz, Pittsburgh.
Paul C. Lang, Pittsburgh.
Miss Iola J. Harter, Pittsburgh.
F. L. Barnhart, Pittsburgh.
L. H. Cross, Pittsburgh.
John H. Nern, Pittsburgh.
G. H. Pifer, Pittsburgh.
Miss Rose Walsh, Pittsburgh.
P. W. Siebert, Pittsburgh.
John Shupe, Pittsburgh.
Joseph Fidelman, Chartiers Township.
H. H. Diehl, McKees Rocks.
Miss Hazel J. Artman, Pittsburgh.
William A. Irwin, Pittsburgh.
E. Ray Hodill, Pittsburgh.
George A. Bleichner, Pittsburgh.
Frank H. Johnston, McKees Rocks.
Frank F. Ley, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Edith Gibson, Dormont.
Miss Alma Beyer, Pittsburgh.
Miss Ivy May Sloan, Pittsburgh.
Francis A. Duffy, Pittsburgh.
Robert F. Morris, Jr., Pittsburgh.
John Bibza, Duquesne.
Albert G. Schaub, Pittsburgh.
John Toth, Pittsburgh.
John A. Huck, Pittsburgh.
H. B. Evans, Stowe Township.
F. F. Rhodes, Pittsburgh.
G. A. Price, Pittsburgh.
Wm. F. Woestehoff, Pittsburgh.
S. S. Crocker, Pittsburgh.
Carl Van der Voort, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mabel A. Hazlett, Springdale.
Miss Julia V. Shay, Pittsburgh.
Donald D. Mangone, Pittsburgh.
John Lee McMahon, Sewickley.
Wm. G. Horne, Pittsburgh.
John Murray Redden, Pittsburgh.
Jesse K. Seright, Pittsburgh.
David S. Lieberman, Pittsburgh.
Lacy S. McKeever, Pittsburgh.
C. L. Richey, Pittsburgh.
Anthony Will, Etna.
Miss Clara Mohlman, McKeesport.
Wesley L. Atkinson, Harrison Township.
Howard J. Hook, Pittsburgh.
Walter Parsons, Pittsburgh.
Edw. K. Riley, Pittsburgh.
Frederick A. Rohrmann, Jr., Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Hilda B. Murphy, Pittsburgh.
Miss Amelia F. Fisher, Pittsburgh.
Woodward S. Shaw, Pittsburgh.
Harry D. Immel, Pittsburgh.
Louis Little, Pittsburgh.
C. E. Wolford, Wilkinsburg.
Joseph Sachs, Pittsburgh.
W. J. Maloney, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. H. I. Stevens, Pittsburgh.
Fred S. Geer, Pittsburgh.
George L. Bearer, Pittsburgh.
Joseph L. Cannon, Pittsburgh.
E. J. Dollhopf, Pittsburgh.
Edgar J. Wilson, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mabel Worthington, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary A. Kennedy, Pittsburgh.
William A. Goeddel, Pittsburgh.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

Mike Fazio, Rural Valley.
J. M. Woll, Kittanning.
Emanuel Roth, Leechburg.
W. B. Ryan, Leechburg.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Miss Edna B. McFrederick, Beaver.
I. M. Porter, Midland.
Miss Clara Rye, White Township.
Charles H. Lee, College Hill.
Miss Grace U. Ballard, Beaver Falls.
Joseph J. Peck, Ambridge.
Ross I. Davis, Hopewell Township.
William Coghlan, Midland.
Guido Donati, Woodlawn.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

G. B. May, Everett.
Mrs. Lillian R. Feight, Bedford.
E. S. Stonerook, Woodbury.

BERKS COUNTY.

Jacob B. Ketner, So. Heidelberg Township.
John P. German, Reading.
Geo. Frank Spencer, So. Heidelberg Township.
C. James Todaro, Reading.
Donald B. Koller, Reading.
C. W. Yarnell, Reading.
Henry N. Peifer, Robeson Township.

BERKS COUNTY—Continued.

Miss Clara W. Mellinger, Reading.
Warren T. Mattes, Reading.
Harold F. Rudisill, Reading.
Miss Grace H. Hahn, Reading.
Miss Jane Reed Nyce, Reading.
Howard J. Sheeler, Reading.
George D. Snyder, Reading.
Edward J. Bowman, Reading.
Miss Hannah I. Tinterleiter, Topton.
Miss Marie G. Dunn, Reading.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Miss Mary G. Kilday, Altoona.
Miss L. Mae Westover, Altoona.
W. H. Baird, Juniata.
Mrs. Clara M. Mitchel, Altoona.
Wayne E. Leighty, Logan Township.
Miss Mary E. Patton, Hollidaysburg.
Miss Carrie R. Lantz, Altoona.
J. S. Williams, Roaring Springs.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Thomas J. O'Brien, Sayre.
Leon B. Shedden, Sayre.
W. A. Munn, Athens.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Theodore M. Moyer, Nockamixon Township.
Willis Wall, Doylestown.
Miss Margaret Hastings, Newtown.
Ira C. Shaw, Doylestown.
Edward D. Berger, Doylestown.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Myron H. Rowley, Buffalo Township.
William A. Cowen, Butler.
Morris Pollak, Butler Township.
Charles B. Adams, Butler.
Miss Esther Rattigan, Butler.
Vincent Marinaro, Butler.
J. A. Henninger, Butler.
S. D. Webber, Butler.
Andrew W. Patterson, Butler.
Ross R. Brown, Mars.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

V. J. Pendracki, Barnesboro.
Miss Mary McGarvey, Johnstown.
L. Verde Rhue, Johnstown.
Miss Ella L. Maser, Johnstown.
Miss Jessie N. Helsel, Johnstown.
Rembrandt P. Rickard, West Carroll Township.
R. Edgar Leahey, Johnstown.
Thomas W. Bender, Lilly.
Miss Cecilia A. Malzi, Johnstown.
Benj. Hinchman, Jr., Johnstown.
Tillman K. Saylor, Johnstown.
Mrs. Eliza Jones Davis, Johnstown.
Miss Agnes Beaujon, Johnstown.

CAMERON COUNTY.

Mrs. Anna M. Shick, Emporium.

CARBON COUNTY.

Reuben L. Seip, Lansford.
John B. Snyder, Lehighton.

CENTRE COUNTY.

Miss Elizabeth C. Barnhart, Bellefonte.
Miss Belle Weaver, Bellefonte.
Miss Adelaide L. Stuart, State College.

CHESTER COUNTY.

J. Charles Ludwick, Honey Brook.
Mrs. Angeline Fox, Elverson.
Howard C. Rudisill, Coatesville.

CLARION COUNTY.

I. F. Dempsey, New Bethlehem.
Miss Helen McGranahan, New Bethlehem.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

John W. Marshall, DuBois.
James Walsh, Morris Township.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Miss Prudence Boone, Loganton.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Chas. B. Lutz, Bloomsburg.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Clinton W. Seymour, Meadville.
Charles F. Chamberlain, Cambridge Springs.
William A. Clark, Conneaut Lake.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

William Emenheiser East Pennsboro Township.
Frederick O. Seidel, East Pennsboro Township.
Clarence A. Myers, Upper Allen Township.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

William B. Bennett, Harrisburg.
William W. Wyant, Harrisburg.
Howard B. Boileau, Harrisburg.
Jacob S. Farver, Conewago Township.
Charles J. Jones, Harrisburg.
Albert B. Smith, Harrisburg.
Marshall H. Dean, Harrisburg.
Warren Z. Meck, Harrisburg.
R. I. Deihl, Harrisburg.
Ernest F. Swisher, Steelton.
George W. Deiker, Harrisburg.
John S. Harris, Harrisburg.
Miss Mary B. O'Donnell, Harrisburg.
Miss Mary C. Miller, Harrisburg.
C. Sylvester Jackson, Harrisburg.
Joel Claster, Harrisburg.
John A. F. Hall, Harrisburg.
Chas. H. Linde, Harrisburg.
Warren E. Boudman, Steelton.
Miley T. Sheaffer, Middletown.
Thomas C. McCarrell, Jr., Harrisburg.
Miss Mabel Uptegrove, Harrisburg.
J. Dress Pannell, Steelton.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Frank Smith, Radnor Township.
Miss Isabella M. Carroll, Chester.
Miss Margaret Burke, Media.
John W. Rudolph, Chester.
Miss Violet Wright, Sharon Hill.
Henry Gould Sweney, Media.
John S. Bradway, Haverford Township.
Raymond Scott, Eddystone.
Miss Doris H. Heineman, Ridley Park.
Miss Sarah May Taggart, Millbourne.
Miss Anna Regina Scott, Chester.
Ambrose H. Downs, Millbourne.
Henry P. Albertson, Darby.
Francis B. Hitchcock, Chester.

ELK COUNTY.

Fred W. McFarlin, Ridgway.
H. A. Black, Ridgway.
A. B. Reed, Ridgway.
Frank J. Marshall, St. Marys.
Thomas L. Quigley, Spring Creek Township.
Miss Mertie B. Doutt, Ridgway.
J. M. Hanscom, Ridgway.

ERIE COUNTY.

Ralph B. Sterrett, Erie.
Taylor Tome, Erie.
Wm. W. Decker, Erie.
Harry E. Steadman, Middleboro.
Edward Jacob Neubert, Erie.
Miss Catherine C. Peterson, Erie.
Miss E. M. Henderson, West Millcreek Township.
Edward Petrillo, Erie.
George A. Watt, North East.
A. E. Rickards, Erie.
S. A. Sisson, Erie.
Roy T. Clunk, Erie.
Geo. J. Hamburger, Erie.
Joseph W. Glowacki, Erie.
Harry R. W. Swenson, Erie.
John A. Ignasiak, Erie.
Wilson Root Bushnell, Mill Creek Township.
Miss B. M. Hartman, Erie.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Wendell W. Markle, Uniontown,
Aladar Toth, Brownsville.
Miss Olive S. List, South Connellsville.
Fred J. Chalfant, So. Brownsville.
Jno. R. Love, Uniontown.
John Stanley, Symons, Everson.
F. W. Conway, Connellsville.
J. W. Crabble, Uniontown.
R. B. Gabler, Brownsville.
Shella P. Howser, Connellsville.
Miss Beatrice C. Daley, Uniontown.
J. B. McPherson, Uniontown.
William W. Smith, Connellsville.
Frank Friel, Connellsville.
H. E. Hackney, Uniontown.
B. F. Taylor, Belle-Vernon.
Nathaniel H. Jaquett, Uniontown.

FOREST COUNTY.

Marion A. Carringer, Tionesta.
J. A. Foreman, Tionesta.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Miss Ruth L. Craig, Chambersburg.
Miss Harriet A. Rhea, Mercersburg.
Miss Elura G. Kepler, Chambersburg.

GREENE COUNTY.

George A. Hook, East Waynesburg.
Geo. W. Ames, Waynesburg.
G. W. Church, Franklin Township.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

D. G. Welch, Uniontown.
B. F. Isenberg, Huntingdon.

INDIANA COUNTY.

Samuel W. Miller, Blairsville.
William A. Madden, Burrell Township.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

E. T. McGaw, Reynoldsville.
Charles J. Margiotti, Punxsutawney.
Innocent Leonard Rogan, Brookville.

JUNIATA COUNTY.

David Bruce Beale, Mifflin.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Geo. H. Deacon, Scranton.
John Bosak, Olyphant.
E. F. Schive, Winton.
Chas. Muller, Scranton.
John Greiner, Jr., Scranton.
Harry L. Dimmick, Scranton.
Miss Minnie Davis, Scranton.
Miss Pearl C. S. Barnes, Scranton.
Joseph A. Dolphin, Scranton.
M. B. Gay, Scranton.
Orlando B. Partridge, Scranton.
William P. Huester, Scranton.
Edmund F. Boyle, Scranton.
Miss Mary C. Kiesel, Scranton.
Douglas J. Torrey, Scranton.
George H. Johns, Old Forge.
Stanley A. Simrell, Scranton.
Miss Elsa M. Roos, Scranton.
A. F. Loftus, Fell Township.
Robert George Lohmann, Scranton.
George W. Ellis, Scranton.
George Yavorek, Archbald.
Robert L. Gordon, Scranton.
Theodore J. Merkel, Dunmore.
Robert O'Brien, Scranton.
Miss Anna T. O'Hara, Scranton.
Guilio Ventura, Scranton.
Charles W. Gunster, Scranton.
Fedele Musso, Scranton.
Charles O. Niles, Scranton.
Joseph Kiesel, Scranton.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Harry Lyman Raub, Jr., Lancaster.
Silas E. Bard, Denver.
Wien A. Ensminger, Manheim.
Paul Keller, Manheim.
Miss Amy Gresser, Columbia.
Miss Miriam L. Aungst, Lancaster.
George F. Weidler, Akron.
Christian H. Brubaker, Lancaster.
J. Andrew Frantz, Lancaster.
Henry G. Carpenter, Mt. Joy.
Henry L. Gise, Elizabethtown.
George T. Hambright, Lancaster.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Samuel L. Clark, New Castle.
James A. Chambers, New Castle.
Jas. E. Hess, New Castle.
William E. Ferver, Union Township.
William J. Westlake, New Castle.
A. J. Robbins, Taylor Township.
Miss Helen L. Moseley, New Castle.
Thomas P. Offutt, New Castle.

LEBANON COUNTY.

Miss Katherine M. Parker, Lebanon.
John A. Brandt, Bethel Township.
E. E. Meyer, Bethel Township.
Alvin S. Bowman, Palmyra.
Miss Lucetta F. Eckert, Lebanon.
Miss Mary R. Heverling, Lebanon.
C. H. Forster, Lebanon.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Arthur W. Durner, So. Allentown.
John L. Sensenbach, Allentown.
Harvey M. Heilman, Allentown.
Fred W. Balliet, Coplay.
William S. Mitman, Bethlehem.
Emory M. Moyer, Allentown.
Miss Ethel M. Smith, Allentown.
Miss Mary M. Connell, Fountain Hill.
Miss Alice M. Walp, Allentown.
Miss Leah B. Cooper, Allentown.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

F. J. Flaherty, Black Creek Township.
Miss Edyth M. Custer, Wilkes-Barre.
William F. Gilroy, Pittston.
Ralph H. MacLean, Kingston.
Miss Anna Kirschner, Hazleton.
Samuel Winter, Wilkes-Barre.
Miss Myrtle M. Cease, Wilkes-Barre.
T. M. Corniff, Plains Township.
Kalman Mindszenthy, Wilkes-Barre.
Frank P. Grenawalt, Hazleton.
C. J. Mahler, Pittston.
Frank F. Matheson, Dorranceton.
Miss Clara B. Peters, Wilkes-Barre.
Albert W. Brobst, Wilkes-Barre.
Pasco Schiavo, Hazleton.
R. W. Patterson, White Haven.
Miss Loretta W. Berry, Wilkes-Barre.
Floyd A. Dymond, Wyoming.
Constantine Wyonelunas, Pittston.
John D. Allardyce, Duryea.
Stanley E. Christian, Ashley.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Wilson A. Evert, Montoursville.
J. C. Newcomer, Williamsport.
Samuel Weymouth, Williamsport.
Miss Stella Spong, Williamsport.
Francis M. Gallagher, Williamsport.
Miss L. Beryl Jackson, Williamsport.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

Miss Katherine Burke, Bradford.
Ralph Wheeler, Bradford.

MERCER COUNTY.

Miss Halla Clark, Greenville.
John L. Beck, Hempfield Township.
H. P. Lurie, Farrell.
E. E. Edeburn, Farrell.
M. L. McBride, Grove City.
L. D. Lininger, Sharon.

MONROE COUNTY.

Harold C. Edwards, Stroudsburg.
Martin Bush, Stroudsburg.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

W. Veryl Walton, Jenkintown.
Miss Clara A. B. Henry, Cheltenham Township.
Miss Emma C. Beyer, Norristown.
Harry I. Landis, Springfield Township.
Irwin J. Gotwals, Norristown.
J. Clayton Whitby, Lower Merion Township.
Chas. D. Conklin, Cheltenham Township.
Ralph E. Frey, Ambler.
M. LeRoy Moyer, Souderton.
Horace W. Haines, Cheltenham Township.
William P. Young, Pottstown.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Herbert Beck, Pen Argyl.
John F. Stefko, So. Bethlehem.
Miss Helen M. Gould, Easton.
Charles A. Daniel, Wind Gap.
David B. Skillman, Easton.
Gaetano Gugliuzza, Easton.
George Zboyovsky, Sr., So. Bethlehem.
Howard H. Laubach, Northampton.
Miss Mable L. Rader, Easton.
Stanley D. Howell, Easton.
William A. Kitto, Pen Argyl.
Paul Adam Hartzell, Bethlehem.
Arthur L. Reese, Pen Argyl.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Michael N. Halkowicz, Mt. Carmel Township.
J. H. Vincent, Northumberland.
Roy B. Shipe, Sunbury.
Leo T. Collier, Mt. Carmel.
I. A. DeWitt, Sunbury.
John K. Savidge, Sunbury.
Miss L. Blanche Vastine, Shamokin.
Miss Virginia E. Vought, Ralpho Township.
Henry Herbert Harris, Milton.
M. Bruner Smith, Point Township.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY—Continued.

Alfred Diehl, Watsonton.
Richard B. Ryan, Shamokin.
Haydn T. Evans, Shamokin.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Harrison R. Grossman.
Marshall McCully.
Luigi Melchiorri.
A. D. Dewees.
Royal F. Morris.
Walter Weidemann.
Michael Bednarek.
Harry G. Rathgeb.
Miss Lillian S. Smith.
George J. Schorr.
Annibale Vernacchio.
Theodore Hrycej.
Joseph Larkin, Jr.
Miss Cecilia P. Bass.
Charles W. Myers.
Robert T. Levins.
Joseph N. Rauffenbart.
Harry Fischer.
T. Justus Conley.
Wm. James Keogh.
Bernhard M. Bloom.
Miss Agnes Neubauer.
William A. Stewart.
John F. Scanlan.
Maurice Markmann.
Francis M. Smith.
Miss Lillian Shaffer.
James W. Tracey, Jr.
Miss Florence A. Gladwin.
Miss Marie Frances Weeks.
Miss Amy B. Horn.
Harry Beckman.
John E. McDermott.
James F. Smyth.
Alvin M. Weaver.
Stanley W. Root.
Miss A. R. Williams.
William J. Kelly.
Miss E. S. Roberts.
Jerome B. Jardella, Jr.
Miss Frances A. Courtney.
Samuel A. Green.
Charles W. Gartner.
John A. Nagel, Jr.
William McLaughlin.
Howard F. Meixner.
Charles F. Meyers.
Nathan E. Rowland.
Wm. M. Bailey.
Herman F. Schwefler.
Joseph W. McDowell.
George C. Snyder.
George Morris.
Rodney M. Webb.
Pasquale Del Vecchio.
L. A. Bloom.
Miss Helen Biester.
Martin J. Gallagher.
Alexander Love, Jr.
J. Allison Parker.
Louis Winter, Jr.
Miss Helen S. Jacoby.
John S. Dutton.
Charles S. Edmunds.
G. Washington Dugan.
William Barr.
Oliver R. Holloway.
George H. Kohler.
John Roseman.
Miss M. Anna Ruff.
Bennett C. Anderson.
Andrew J. Roggenburger.
George B. Smith.
Wm. E. Blair.
Philip H. Doerle, Jr.
Miss Bertha A. Taggart.
Samuel R. Davis.
H. Willis Fleu.
Frederick Harrison.
Walter W. Hess.
Max Weinberg.
George G. Young.
Joseph J. Goodstein.
George B. Albrecht.
Carl Krupp.
Miss Rose M. McLaughlin.
Hazleton Mirkil, Jr.
Hampton G. Silcox, Jr.
Mrs. May D. Stevens.
Rudolph Voegtle.
Miss Kathryn L. McHugh.
Miss Eloise Olmsted.
Edgar G. Thomas.
Louis Kolsky.
Albert P. Chute.
Edward J. Grubb.
Miss Mary M. Gowen.
Arthur A. Chalker.
Wm. S. Armstrong.
William J. Kennedy.
Daniel Mendelsohn.
Harry C. Weller.
Solomon Rose.
Charles Williams.
Aubrey C. Dickson.
Paul Siebert, Jr.
H. LeRoy Webb.
Thomas P. Lowry.
Miss H. A. Bracken.
George E. Katzenbach.
Carlo Morelli.
Hugh A. MacMullan.
Herman Lieberman.
William F. Lahner.
Lester E. Pfeifer.
Jules Bell.
Julius J. Saltzburg.
John Richardson.
Miss Margaret S. Robinson.
Louis A. Wilson.
Mrs. Florence G. Solon.
John P. Goheen.
Franklin H. Spitzer.
George Mihai Marian.
John C. Steinbrunn.
Leslie G. Getz.
John W. Reiley.
Wm. S. Wacker.
Miss Elizabeth M. Crelier.
Edward E. Abrams.
Wm. M. Weisman.
Morris Rayfield.
Hugo V. Spitzer.
W. L. Sherman.
Louis Piacentino.
Edmund I. Humphries.
Wilfred E. Ervin.
John Allen, Jr.
Miss M. Sailer.
Chas. D. Lehmann.
Miss Margaret E. Stehle.
Mitchell J. Lichow.
W. J. Gilmartin.
Merle W. Lefever.
Louis Trefz.
Andrew MacDonald.
Charles F. B. Sayre.
Miss Ethel I. Brewer.
Richard F. Murphy.
Miss Nellie S. Aitken.
Mrs. Selma F. T. Martin.
Robert R. Ressler.
J. E. M. Keller.
M. B. Stallman.
Harry Beck.
Ralph Booth.
Miss Jeannette I. Westcott.
Max Lemke.
Theodore C. Fitzgerald.
Philip Neff.
Miss Marjorie P. Foard.
Charles E. Seese.
David J. Green.
John Armstrong, Jr.
Harry L. Smith.
Miss Emma M. Reed.
Thomas W. Cronin.
Thomas M. McFadden.
James C. McNulty.
Harry W. Stahl.
Miss Mary Murrin.
John A. Steer.
Miss Edna M. Pierce.
Miss Elizabeth K. Bradley.
Morritt R. Williams.
Miss Frances C. Hubbell.
Miss Helen H. Warren.
Wesley Barlow.
Rocco De Gregorio.
George W. Raesly.
G. C. Wheeler.
Miss Edna M. McLaughlin.
Harry S. Miller.
Edward J. Gallagher, Jr.
Louis Goldman.
Harry A. Mankin.
Eugene L. V. Beatty.
Max Blumenkranz.
Charles Brooks.
Edward F. McPeak.
Miss Julia I. Mauer.
William S. Edger.
John C. F. Kitsenman.
Ben W. Iingber.
Henry Burton.
Miss Mary A. Keeley.
Miss J. M. Jordan.
Miss Agnes M. Carey.
Mrs. Jadwiga Lange.
Howard A. Speck.
Albert McCracken.
Frederick C. Foy.
Samuel A. Stinger.
Benjamin Barron.
Henry Kauffman.
Walter H. Quay.
Robert H. Wannemacher.
Jay D. Roy.
William M. Henry.
William J. Totten.
A. Albert Bulmer.

Lewis J. Finestone.
Pincus Shalita.
Miss Josephine M. Gimborn.
Miss Eva Van Artsdalen.
John M. Hanf.
Nathan Kushin.
James M. Dohan.
Leroy E. Reed.
Joseph M. Jennings.
Miss Anna M. Stuart.
Miss Ethel Marie Fields.
Walter Apgar.
John E. Lewis.
George Keefhuss.
Benj. F. Calverley, Jr.
Miss Clara B. Brandner.
Henry H. Silling.
J. Stuart Crowley.
Joseph E. Wenerd.
Charles V. Magann.
George R. Schweitzer.
Isadore Martin.
Harry Hammond.
Joseph Elden.
Miss Elizabeth E. Britton.
Ralph T. Buchasbaum.
Horace P. Moore.
Harrison M. Willis.

PIKE COUNTY.

J. Henry Ludwig, Milford.

POTTER COUNTY.

Henry E. Seltz, Galeton.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Luther Elvin Kulp, North Manheim Township.
Miss Emily E. Filbert, Pottsville.
Howard W. Fehr, Landingville.
J. F. Bierstein, Shenandoah.
Benjamin A. Filbert, Schuylkill Haven.
H. W. Bressler, North Manheim Township.
Miss Minnie E. Holt, Pottsville.
Burton Davis, Shenandoah.
Alfred C. Williams, Cressona.
William H. Ent, Pottsville.
Charles Troxell, Pottsville.

SNYDER COUNTY.

C. A. Baker, West Beaver Township.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

J. Milton Gnagey, Myersdale.
C. A. Bernhard, Windber.
C. C. Schmucker, Boswell.
F. A. Millott, Windber.
P. S. Davis, Elk Lick Township.
Charles E. Reynolds, Somerset Township.
R. E. Craver, Somerset.
Mrs. Mary A. Woy, Somerset.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Miss Margaret A. Brennan, Dushore.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Eliphalet J. Wells, Forest City.
Miss Rebecca T. Ludlow, Forest City.

TIOGA COUNTY.

Frank S. Hughes, Blossburg.

UNION COUNTY.

Allen Kaufman, White Deer Township.

VENANGO COUNTY.

Blaine G. Harrtington, Cranberry Township.
Miss Elizabeth Mulligan, Oil City.
John L. Mattox, Oil City.
Willard Howe, Oil City.
Miss Irene Kunkel, Franklin.
A. M. Lowentritt, Oil City.
Miss Margaret S. Martin, Franklin.
Miss Liberty B. Cooper, Oil City.

WARREN COUNTY.

Donald M. Thomson, Tidioute.
Harry A. Campbell, Warren.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Miss Lola A. Yates, Canonsburg.
Wm. I. McKenna, Roscoe.
Victor Abatti, Monongahela.
Morrison J. West, California.
William J. Rau, Smith Township.
Martin Breyer, Monongahela City.
Earl B. Hutton, West Brownsville.
James Monack, Charleroi.
Miss Margie Barrett, Washington.
Harry Harris, Washington.
Miss Susan B. Hurst, Washington.
W. D. Hancher, Washington.
George W. Brugger, Canonsburg.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

John G. Gatto, Greensburg.
D. A. Spencer, New Kensington.
J. H. McDowell, Ligonier.
Clifford E. Miller, Sewickley, Township.
William E. Wilson, N. Huntingdon Township.
A. H. Price, Jeannette.
J. A. Vandyke, S. Huntingdon Township.
F. J. Meybin, Monessen.
Michael W. Quadrino, Jeannette.
R. M. Strawn, Avonmore.
W. Irwin Hunter, Greensburg.
Daniel Reamer, Monessen.
Frank F. Marsh, So. Greensburg.
Claude E. Hill, Vandergrift.
James G. Robertshaw, New Kensington.
Harry A. Greek, Greensburg.
Miss Jennie H. Murphy, Greensburg.
N. B. Grove, Monessen.
S. E. Patterson, Greensburg.
W. S. Robins, Monessen.
Raphael Chiodo, New Kensington.
Norwin L. Fitzgerald, Vandergrift.
C. L. Albright, Scottsdale.
Charles D. Beacon, New Kensington.

WYOMING COUNTY.

G. M. Sheldon, Mehoopany Township.
Miss Mary A. Wall, Tunkhannock.

YORK COUNTY.

Urbon S. Bond, York.
Miss Meta Stock, Hanover.
Howard H. Minnich, Red Lion.
Charles E. Artzberger, Dover.
Walter Brillhart, Spring Garden Township.
H. O. Tredway, York.
William P. Stoner, Hanover.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMISSIONERS OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Commissioners of Deeds, for the term of five years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

John Gillespie, Castleblayney, Ireland, July 30, 1915.
Miss Eelizabeth Roth, New York, N. Y., September 24, 1915.
Edward N. Manning, Atlantic City, N. J., January 12, 1916.
George W. Pittenger, Asbury Park, N. J., January 25, 1916.
Edmond Fortune, Los Angeles, Cal., February 7, 1916.
J. Lynch Pendergast, New York, N. Y., April 18, 1916.
Elias Saklad, Boston, Mass., February 21, 1916.
John McDonald, Pasadena, Cal., April 4, 1916.
Thomas Cato Worsfold, London, Eng., April 27, 1916.
James J. Teeling, Newark, N. J., June 10, 1916.
William R. Harvey, Newport, R. I., May 1, 1916.
Anson S. Taylor, Washington, D. C., June 7, 1916.
Edwin F. Corey, New York, N. Y., June 6, 1916.
Clement J. Adams, Atlantic City, N. J., August 11, 1916.
Lucius I. Wright, Atlantic City, N. J., August 11, 1916.
Joseph Fiell, New York, N. Y., July 10, 1916.
Nicola Ciampo, Loli, N. J., July 24, 1916.
Ernest C. Stahl, Trenton, N. J., August 7, 1916.
Charles T. Campbell, Cape May, N. J., September 5, 1916.
Charles Stees, St. Paul, Minn., September 5, 1916.
Mrs. M. Annie McRae, St. Petersburg, Fla., September 5, 1916.
William H. Carroll, Atlantic City, N. J., September 18, 1916.
Harry Wootton, Atlantic City, N. J., September 21, 1916.
Abdul Fazl, Kapurthala, India, September 21, 1916.
John W. Hughes, Atlantic City, N. J., October 30, 1916.
Israel G. Adams, Atlantic City, N. J., November 21, 1916.
Neil H. Miller, Belmar, N. J., November 28, 1916.
Joseph T. Harrison, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 7, 1916.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SPROUL,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed

with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations, except the nomination of E. T. McGaw, of Reynoldsville, Jefferson County, to be a Notary Public.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SPROUL,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Washers,
Endsley,	Magee,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered. That the Governor be informed accordingly.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

The PRESIDENT. If there be no objection the Chair will refer the nomination of E. T. McGaw, of Reynoldsville, Jefferson County, to be a Notary Public, to the Committee on Executive Nominations. The Chair hears none.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which was read as follows, and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE, SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT, NORRISTOWN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and the consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, Southeastern District, Norristown, Montgomery County, to serve for the term of three years, to compute from February 15, 1917:

Frank L. Smith, Norristown.
Thomas W. Marshall, West Chester.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

VETO OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING TO PERFORM ALL DUTIES AND TO EXERCISE ALL POWERS BY LAW IMPOSED ON THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING UNTIL AN APPOINTMENT TO FILL SAID OFFICE IS CONFIRMED.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 15, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, Concurrent Resolution of the Senate and the House of Representatives, providing "that the Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Printing and Binding is hereby authorized, until an appointment to the office of Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding is confirmed by the Senate, to perform all the duties and to exercise all the powers imposed and conferred by law upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding, with like effect as if the same had been done by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding regularly appointed and confirmed."

The duties of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding are defined by the Act of February 7, 1905, P. L. 3.

This Concurrent Resolution, upon its face, attempts to legislate and to confer upon another individual the duties which have regularly and legally been conferred upon the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding. The Constitution provides "that no law shall be passed except by a bill," and also that "every bill shall be read at length on three different days in each house."

It is, therefore, apparent that this Concurrent Resolution is attempting to do something which must be done by a law passed in the regular constitutional way.

I am advised that such a bill is now pending which will relieve the embarrassment, not only in the Department of Public Printing and Binding, but in every other Department of the State, which may be temporarily without a chief.

For these reasons this resolution is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the resolution pass, the objection of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the resolution, be postponed for the present.

Mr. VARE. I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 225 (House Bill No. 7), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 226 (House Bill No. 69), entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 210, entitled

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 237, entitled

An Act to exempt from the payment of inheritance taxes bequests and devises to institutions of purely public charity.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 238, entitled

An Act regulating the sale of food when sold by weight measure or county regulating the marking or labeling of the containers of food, and providing punishment for violations of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 239, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the 7th day of June, 1889, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the 7th day of June, 1879, as originally enacted and as amended by an act approved the 8th day of June, 1891, exempting certain public loans from taxation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 240, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Chestnut Hill Hospital, of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 241, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Indiana Hospital of Indiana County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 242, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the 9th day of June, 1881, entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing," by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for; crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth; and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the 29th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 243, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judges of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 244, entitled

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that prosecutions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened; and providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of the violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act, any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations; and providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 245, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mid-Valley Hospital.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 246, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the West Mountain Sanatorium of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 247, entitled

An Act to fix the salary of the Commission Clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 248, entitled

An Act providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the mercantile and certain other license taxes among cities, borough and townships, and repealing acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act, entitled "To amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by United States," approved the 25th day of May, A. D. 1907, increasing the limitation as to area of land, the jurisdiction of which is ceded from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also (by request of the Charter Revision Committee) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act to provide for the better financial management of cities of the first class by requiring the mayor to submit to councils an annual budget; compelling the heads of city departments, all city officers, boards, commissions and committees, certain other officers, boards, commissions, committees and bodies and certain courts to furnish to the mayor certain information, estimates and recommendations; requiring councils to consider the budget when presented and thereafter in one ordinance to authorize the city and the various departments, officers, boards, commissions, committees, courts and other bodies designated herein to incur liability for certain purposes and within certain amounts and to fix the tax rate or rates for the ensuing year; and providing that the city controller shall countersign warrants or checks for the purposes and within the amounts specified in any ordinance authorizing liability to be incurred without an appropriation or the specific setting aside of money therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also (by request of the Charter Revision Committee) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 251, entitled

An Act to restrict the power of the several courts to issue writs of mandamus to the treasurers of counties, townships, cities, boroughs or school districts, or to the bodies having jurisdiction over the finances, revenues or taxation in or for such counties, townships, cities, boroughs or school districts.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 252, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Northern Home for Friendless Children of Philadelphia, Pa.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 253, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgment and costs recovered in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County in the suit of Joseph Moore, James S. T. Moore, Annie M. Polk, Rebecca E. Swiggett, Mary E. Williams, Spencer C. Moore, vs. Robert K. Young, Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 254, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Messiah Rescue and Benevolent Home, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN (by request of Mr. Crow) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 255, entitled

An Act to fix the time for filing Nomination Papers for State and Municipal Officers, and for determination by the courts of contested papers.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Also (by request of Mr. Crow), read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 256, entitled

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Also (by request of Mr. Crow) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 257, entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties, providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same, authorizing the State committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation.

"Approved the twelfth day of July, A. D., one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time of filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 258, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens, Pennsylvania, for moneys erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf, a resident of the Borough of Canton, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 260, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Wyoming and Susquehanna Counties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. NASON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 261, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Elmwood Home, of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 262, entitled

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 263, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate, held for poor purposes, in the several counties, boroughs, townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth, and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof," by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor, of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities, situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth, not exceeding five hundred thousand population."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act authorizing Ida Collins, a resident of Somerset County, in her own right, and in the right of her minor children, to bring suit in the court of Common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 266, entitled

An Act to amend section two and to add sections thirteen and fourteen to an act, approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 965), entitled "An Act defining commodities; regulating the sale thereof; and providing penalties for violation hereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 267, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Markleton General Hospital at Markleton, Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act requiring borough councils, township commissioners and supervisors, and directors of school districts of the second, third and fourth classes to file the auditor's report in prothonotary's office; requiring county commissioners to furnish the prothonotary with a book for such purpose; and fixing the fees of the prothonotary.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 269, entitled

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. WASBERS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 270, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Home of the City of York, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 271, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the York Hospital and Dispensary, of York, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 272, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Paradise Protectory and Agricultural School, at Paradise Township, York County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 273, entitled

An Act establishing a public school teachers' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing teachers; defining the uses and purposes thereof, and the manner of payment therefrom; and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of teachers; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of physical education and training in the public schools of the Commonwealth, and creating the Bureau of Physical Education in the Department of Public Instruction to carry out the provisions hereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 275, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Anthracite Coal Region of Pennsylvania at Fountain Springs, near Ashland, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. WEAVER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 276, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 14th day of May, 1915, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. BALDWIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 277, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Kane Summit Hospital Association, of Kane, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. MAGEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 278, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to St. Rita's L. C. B. A. Home for Infants, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 279, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Maternity Dispensary of Pittsburgh.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also (by request of Mr. Semmons) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 280, entitled

An Act requiring county commissioners to construct certain bridges on State highways crossing a rivulet, creek or river, and also a railroad track or tracks; and imposing the cost of the construction and maintenance thereof on the county, state and railroad company or companies in such proportions as may be determined by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also (by request of Mr. Semmens) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 281, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also (by request of Mr. Semmens) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane, to make good the deficit in operation of said hospital to January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. NASON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 283, entitled

A joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to have reprinted the volume of the acts of Assembly of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, and the volume of the acts of Assembly of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; providing for the preparation, printing and sale of said reprints; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light, heat and power plants and water works, plants and systems; providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WASBERS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 202 (House Bill No. 95), entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York,' approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. MAGEE, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 273, entitled

An Act establishing a public school teachers' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing teachers; defining the uses and purposes thereof, and the manner of payments therefrom; and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of teachers; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PRAYING FOR THE SPEEDY PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 392, NOW PENDING IN CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Mr. JENKINS offered the following resolution, which was twice read as follows:

In the Senate, February 19, 1917.

Whereas, There is now pending in the Congress of the United States Senate Bill No. 392, introduced by Hon. Charles E. Townsend, known as the Civil War volunteer retired list bill to authorize placing thereon, with retired pay, certain surviving officers who served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States in the Civil War; and

Whereas, The Committee on Military Affairs have reported the same to the Senate with amendments and as thus amended, the committee recommended that the bill do pass; and

Whereas, The provisions of said bills are as pledged by Congress and President Lincoln at the opening of the Civil War to the several States and to the volunteers furnished by them; and

Whereas, The present policy of the government is to retire all officers of the Regular Army and Navy at three-fourths pay for life at ages less than any of those who will receive the recognition accorded by the above contemplated act; and

Whereas, Full retired pay for life to all survivors of the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and Indian Wars in accordance with rank has been granted and furnishes a commanding precedent; and

Whereas, Public Sentiment of the Nation is shown by the unanimous action of the legislatures of thirteen States, speaking for approximately sixty millions of our people, recommending the enactment of such a measure; therefore be it

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress and the entire Congress of the United States of America be, and they are hereby, memorialized and requested that said bill, known as the volunteer retired bill, which will give Civil War volunteer retired officers the same aid according to rank as that given to the retired officers of the regular army, be speedily taken up and put upon its final passage; and be further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to submit certified copies of this memorial to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the National Congress and to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committees, be suspended, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 23, as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "A supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act'" making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "A supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act providing for the establish-

ment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships of counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or tollroads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid Highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of material to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act'" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to make and enter into contracts for the reconstruction or improvement of any section of a State Highway for which an application has been or which may hereafter be made by any county township borough or incorporated town or by any county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town asking that such section of State Highway be reconstructed or improved in the same manner as a State-aid Highway and agreeing to pay its or their respective share of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as provided for in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement or upon such other terms and conditions as to the sharing of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as may be agreed upon between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county township borough or incorporated town or between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town but otherwise as provided in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to make and enter into contracts for the reconstruction or improvement of any section of a State highway for which an application has been or which may hereafter be made by any county township borough or incorporated town or by any county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town asking that such section of State Highway be reconstructed or improved in the same manner as a State-aid highway and agreeing to pay its or their respective share of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as provided for in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement or upon such other terms and conditions as to the sharing of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as may be agreed upon between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county township borough or incorporated town or between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town but otherwise as provided in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement

In the construction or improvement of any such State highway in any borough town or township in the same manner as a State-aid highway the State Highway Department may use funds now appropriated or that may hereafter be appropriated either for State highway or State-aid highway purposes

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beidleman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Craig,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 88, on final passage, entitled

An Act amending and supplementing an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred and seventy-four) entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers including the executive power to regulate the construction alteration relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expenses and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expenses and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to use the Commonwealth for damages in such cases providing for the terms salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin county exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars' and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars approved twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" providing for the certifying of records to the Superior Court and conferring jurisdiction on the Supreme Court to disposed of certain pending appeals

be recommitted to the committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I would like to say this; that I am not finding fault with anybody who prints these bills, but if the Legislature appointed somebody to obstruct the passage of bills, it could not be done any better than it is being done now by somebody who has the printing in charge, because the passage of bills is delayed continually by the proof-reading and printing being at fault to such an extent that you do not know whether your bill is going to be right unless you follow it yourself, or somebody does it for you, and until I can get this bill in shape, until I can find somebody who is competent to get it from the printer's hands properly, I ask to have it returned to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 74, as follows:

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith

Whereas The eyesight of the citizens of this Commonwealth is endangered by incompetent persons practicing optometry and due regard for the safety and protection of the citizens demands that only authorized and qualified optometrists shall be permitted to practice optometry

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the practice of optometry is hereby defined to be the employment of any means other than the use of drugs for the measurement of the powers of vision and the adaptation of lenses for the correction and aid of the vision of human beings

Section 2 That on and after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen it shall not be lawful for any person in this Commonwealth to engage in the practice of optometry or to hold himself out as a practitioner of optometry or to attempt to determine by an examination of the eye the kind of glasses needed by any person or to hold himself out as a licensed optometrist when not so licensed or to hold himself out as able to examine the eyes of any person for the purpose of fitting the same with glasses excepting those hereinafter exempted unless he has first fulfilled the requirements of this act and has received a certificate of licensure from the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure created by this act nor shall it be lawful for any person in this Commonwealth to represent that he is the lawful holder of a certificate of licensure such as is provided for in this act when in fact he is not such lawful holder or to impersonate any licensed practitioner of optometry or to fail to deliver the certificate provided for in section six of this act

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be subject upon his first offense to a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or imprisonment for not more than six months in the county prison or both or either at the discretion of the court and upon conviction on second or later offences shall be subject to a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than one year at the discretion of the court

Section 3 For the purpose of carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this act there shall be established in this Commonwealth a board which shall be known as the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania The said board shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before July first nineteen hundred and seventeen Each member shall receive a certificate of his appointment signed by the Governor and attested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth The members of this board shall be optometrists citizens of this Commonwealth who possess the requisite qualifications to practice optometry under this act and who shall have been so practicing in this State during the five years next previous to their appointment Two members of the board first appointed under this act shall serve for one year two for two years and three for three years after which the successor of each member shall be appointed for the term of three years but no member of said board shall be a member of the faculty of any undergraduate school or college teaching optometry The first appointees shall by virtue of such appointment receive certificates of licensure without examination The Governor shall by appointment fill all vacancies caused by death resignation or otherwise and may remove any member of said board for continued neglect of his duties in connection therewith or for any unprofessional or dishonorable conduct Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term of the deceased or retiring member The board herein created is hereby charged with the enforcement of this act

All suits for the recovery of the penalties prescribed in this act shall be prosecuted in the name of the State of Pennsylvania in any court having jurisdiction and it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the county where such offence is committed to prosecute all the persons violating the provisions of this act upon proper complaint being made

Section 4 Said board shall affect its organization immediately after the appointment of its members by the Governor by holding a meeting at which it shall elect from its membership a president and a secretary who shall also be treasurer It shall have authority to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this Commowealth for the transaction of its business and for the registration of all optometrists of this Commonwealth and for conducting examination of applicants Said rules shall be printed in pamphlet form for public distribution Five members shall constitute a quorum for transaction of all business except for the revocation or suspension of a certificate of licensure or the determination of the fitness of any school or college to render eligible its graduates for licensure when the consent of a majority of the whole board shall be necessary No license shall be granted under this act except with the approval of at least four members of the board Said board shall meet at least twice a year at Harrisburg Any member may administer oaths and take testimony when appointed so to do by the board The appointed members shall receive compensation at the rate of ten dollars and necessary expense for each day actually devoted to the work of the board

Section 5 Every person desiring to commence the practice of optometry or if now in practice to continue the practice thereof after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen except as herein otherwise provided shall take the examination provided in this act and satisfy the other requirements hereof as here provided Any person who has been engaged in the practice of optometry in this Commonwealth for two full years prior to the passage of this act or for one year in this and for the year preceding it in another state and is of good character shall be entitled to take a limited examination covering the following only

(a) the limitation of the sphere of optometry
(b) the necessary scientific instruments used
(c) the form and power of lenses used
(d) a correct method of measuring presbyopia hypermetropia myopia and astigmatism
(e) the writing of formulae or prescriptions for the adaptation of lenses in aid of vision

Any person over the age of twenty-one years of good moral character who has had a preliminary education equivalent to two years of the course of high school whose standard is approved by the Bureau of Professional Education of the Department of Public Instruction which preliminary education shall be ascertained by examination or by acceptable certificate as to credentials for work done in such approved institution and has graduated from a school or college of optometry approved by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure which maintains a course in optometry of not less than two years and has afterwards studied optometry for at least one year in a licensed optometrist's office shall be entitled to take a standard examination Said standard examination shall consist of tests in practical theoretical and physiological optics in theoretical and practical optometry and in the anatomy and physiology of the eye and in pathology as applied to optometry Provided that any person not less than twenty-one years of age who is actually engaged in the practice of optometry at the time of the passage of this act shall be entitled to take the standard examination merely upon proof to the board that he is of good moral character and is not addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol or narcotic drugs

Section 6 Every person desiring to be licensed as in this act provided shall file with the secretary of said board upon appropriate blank to be furnished by said secretary an application verified by oath setting forth the facts which entitled the applicant to examination and licensure under the provisions of this act The said board shall hold at least two examinations each year In case of failure at any standard examination the applicant after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination by the board without the payment of an additional fee In case of failure at any limited examination the applicant shall have the privilege of continuing the practice of optometry and of taking a second examination without the payment of an additional fee But in the event of his failure to pass the second examination on or before July first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen he shall thereafter cease to practice optometry in this Commonwealth Every applicant who shall pass the standard examination or the limited examination as the case may be and who shall otherwise comply with the provisions of this act shall receive from the said board under its seal a certificate of licensure entitling him to practice optometry in this Commonwealth which certificate shall be duly registered in a record book to be properly kept by the secretary of the board for that purpose which shall be open to public inspection and a duly certified copy of said record shall be received as evidence in all courts of this Commonwealth in the trial

of any case Each person to whom a certificate shall be issued by said board shall keep said certificate displayed in a conspicuous place in the office or place of business wherein said person shall practice optometry together with the photograph of said person attached to the lower right hand corner of said certificate and shall whenever required exhibit the said certificate to any member or agent of the said board Peddling from door to door or the establishment of temporary offices is specifically forbidden under penalty of revocation of certificate by said board Whenever any person shall practice optometry outside or away from his office or place of business he shall deliver to each person fitted with glasses by him a certificate signed by him wherein he shall set forth the amount charged his post office address and the number of his certificate Each person to whom a certificate has been issued by said board shall before practicing under the same register said certificate in the office of the prothonotary in each county wherein he proposes to practice optometry and shall pay therefor such fee as may be lawfully chargeable for such registry The prothonotary in each county shall keep a certificate registration book wherein he shall promptly register each certificate for which the fee is paid

Section 7 Said Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure shall charge the following fees for examination registration and renewals of certificates The sum of twenty-five dollars for a standard examination and ten dollars for a limited examination Every registered optimetrist who desires to continue the practice of optometry shall annually on or before the first day of January pay to the secretary of the board a renewal registration fee of two dollars per annum for which he shall receive a renewal of his certificate

In case of neglect to pay the renewal registration fee herein specified the board may revoke such certificate and the holder thereof may be reinstated by complying with the conditions specified in this act But no certificate or permit shall be revoked without giving sixty days' notice to the delinquent who within such period shall have the right of renewal of such certificate on payment of the renewal fee with a penalty of five dollars provided that retirement from practice for a period not exceeding five years shall not deprive the holder of said certificate of the right to renew his certificate on the payment of all lapsed fees

The board shall adopt a seal and certificate of suitable design and shall have an office at Harrisburg in this Commonwealth where examinations may be held and where all its permanent records shall be kept which shall be open to public inspection It shall have power to make requisition upon the proper state officials for office rooms and supplies including stationery and furniture All printing and binding necessary for the work of the said board shall be done by the State Printer upon an order issued by said board through its president and secretary to the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding

Section 8 All fees received by said board for examination or from any other source shall be utilized in regulating the practice of optometry and paying the expenses of the board including necessary clerk hire as provided for in this act any surplus to be turned over to the State Treasurer at least once in each twelve months An annual audit of the accounts of the board shall be made by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth The treasurer of said board shall give a bond to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars for the faithful performance of his duties said bond to be approved by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth who shall be custodian of the bond

Section 9 The Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure shall refuse to grant a certificate of licensure to any applicant and may cancel revoke or suspend the operation of any certificate by it granted for any or all of the following reasons to wit The conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits or stimulants narcotics or any other substance which impairs the intellect and judgment to such an extent as to incapacitate for the performance of the duties of an optometrist. The certificate of licensure of any person convicted of a violation of section two of this act shall be ipso facto revoked

Any person who is the holder of a certificate of licensure or who is an applicant for examination for a certificate of licensure against whom is preferred any charge shall be furnished by the board with a copy of the complaint and shall have a hearing before the board at which hearing he may be represented by counsel At such hearing witnesses may be examined for and against the accused respecting the said charges which examination shall be conducted in the manner usually followed in the taking of testimony before commissions in this Commonwealth The suspensions of a certificate of licensure by reason of the use of stimulants or narcotics may be revoked when the holder thereof shall have been adjudged by the said board to be cured and capable of practicing optometry

Section 10 An applicant for a certificate of licensure who has been examined by the State Board of Optometrical Examiners of another state which through reciprocity similarly accredits the holder of a certificate issued by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of this Commonwealth to the full privileges or practice within such state shall on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars to the said board and on filing in the office of the board a true and attested copy of the said license certified by the president or secretary of the State board issuing the same and showing that the standard of requirements adopted and enforced by said board is equal to that provided for by this act shall without further examination receive a certificate of licensure provided that such applicant has not previously failed at an examination held by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of this Commonwealth

Section 11 Nothing in this act shall be construed as conferring on the holder of any certificate of licensure issued by said board the title of doctor oculist opthalmologist or any other word or abbreviation indicating that he is engaged in the practice of medicine or surgery of the treatment or diagnosis of diseases of or injuries to the human eye or the right to use drugs or medicines in any form for the treatment or examination of the human eye

Section 12 The provisions of this act shall not apply (a) to the physicians or surgeons practicing under authority of license issued under the laws of this Commonwealth for the practice of medicine or surgery or (b) to persons selling spectacles and eye-glasses but who do not assume directly or indirectly to adapt them to the eye or neither practice or profess to practice optometry

Section 13 This act shall take effect and be in full force from the date of the appointment of the said board by the Governor as herein provided

Section 14 Whenever in this act the singular number is used it shall be interpreted as meaning both singular and plural if compatible with the sense of the language used and vice versa and wherever in this act the masculine gender is used it shall be construed as comprehending also the feminine gender

Section 15 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed it being intended that this act shall furnish a complete and exclusive system of and in itself for obtaining the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and for the regulation of the practice of optometry therein

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	McKee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Craig,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,			

NAY:—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 99, as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stock and upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations co-partnerships associations and joint-stock associations providing the manner of collecting such tax and prescribing penalties" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen providing compensation to be paid to agents appointed by the Auditor General for the sale of stamps for paying the State tax provided for by this act.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever the Auditor General shall appoint an agent or agents for the sale of stamps for the purpose of paying the State tax provided for by the act to which this is a supplement and shall sell consign or deliver to such agent or agents any such stamps for sale or use such agent or agents shall be entitled to receive as compensation for his or their services and expenses as such agent or agents and to retain out of the moneys to be paid by him or them into the State Treasury for such stamps a commission of two per centum (2%) of the par value thereof and the Auditor General and State Treasurer are hereby directed and required to allow such commission or compensation in the settlement of the accounts of such agent or agents upon payment by him or them into the State Treasury of any moneys which may

be or become due to the Commonwealth by reason of the sale delivery or consignment to such agent or agents of stamps as aforesaid

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 120, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend sections twelve hundred and five and twelve hundred and ten and to repeal sections twelve hundred and eleven and twelve hundred and thirteen of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I find some objection to this bill, and I am informed by members of the Senate that if we could have a conference upon it, they feel that perhaps they could give their assent to it, and for that reason, so that I may be in a position to canvass for the bill myself, I would ask that the bill, in the absence of the Chairman of the Committee on Education, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special. I will get the members of the Senate together and, I submit, we can get a bill that we will all vote for.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 194, on third reading, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 63, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 507), entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes, and, in cities co-extensive with counties, for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of the same; providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith; and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all property of the classes hereinafter enumerated owned held or possessed by any person persons copartnership or unincorporated association or company resident located or liable to taxation within this Commonwealth or by any joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation whatsoever formed erected or incorporated by under or in pursuance of any law of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government and liable to taxation within this Commonwealth whether such personal property be owned held or possessed by such person or persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation in his her their or its own right or as active trustee agent attorney-in-fact or in any other capacity for the use benefit or advantage of any other person persons copartnership unncorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation is hereby made taxable annually for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the value thereof and no failure to assess or return the same shall discharge such owner or holder thereof from liability therefor that is to say

"All mortgages all moneys owing by solvent debtors whether by promissory note or penal or single bill bond or judgment all articles or agreement and accounts bearing interest all public loans whatsoever except those issued by this Commonwealth or the United States and those made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all loans issued by any corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government including car-trust securities and loans secured by bonds or any other form of certificate or evidence of indebtedness whether the interest be included in the principle of the obligation or payable by the terms thereof except such loans as are made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all shares of stock in any bank corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government except shares of stock in any bank corporation or limited partnership that may be liable to a tax on its shares or its capital stock for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth or relieved from the payment of tax on its shares or capital stock for State purposes by the laws of the Commonwealth all moneys loaned or invested in other states territories the District of Columbia or foreign countries all other moneyed capital in the hands of individual citizens of the states all stages omnibuses hacks cabs and other vehicles used in transporting passengers for hire except steam and street passenger railway cars owned used or possesseed within this Commonwealth by any person or persons or by any corporate body or bodies all annuities yielding annually over two hundred dollars Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company And provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to savings institutions having no capital stock but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject and if at any time either now or hereafter any persons individuals or bodies corporate have agreed or shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from the said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them from paying the said four mills tax on any of the said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owng to the said saving institution having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations life or fire insurance corporations having no capital stock secret and beneficial societies labor unions and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received from voluntary contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or unions And provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for State purposes shall not be required to make any report or pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them in their own right but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner shall return and pay the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes shall be taxed

or taxable for any other local purpose or for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all personal property of the classes hereinafter enumerated owned held or possessed by any person persons copartnership or unincorporated association or company resident located or liable to taxation within this Commonwealth or by any joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation whatsoever formed erected or incorporated by under or in pursuance of any law of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government and liable to taxation within this Commonwealth whether such personal property be owned held or possessed by such person or persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation in his her their or its own right or as active trustee agent attorney-in-fact or in any other capacity for the use benefit or advantage of any other person persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation s hereby made taxable annually for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the value thereof and no failure to assess or return the same shall discharge such owner or holder thereof from liability therefor that is to say

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On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. W. P. GRAFF. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 7, line 17, by striking out after the word "for" the word "the"; also on page 9, line 9, by striking out after the word "stock" the words "bonds and other securities owned by them in their own."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and seven) entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith and modifying existing legislation which provided for revenue for State purposes."

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. GRAFF. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 10, by striking out after the word "provided" the words "for revenue" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "for raising revenue."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 75, entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight) entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to regulate accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act which reads as follows

"Section 5 Every candidate for nomination at any primary election caucus or convention whether nominated thereat or not shall within fifteen days after the same was held if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars and every candidate for election and every treasurer of a political committee or person acting as such treasurer shall within thirty days after every election at which such candidate was voted for or with such political committee was concerned if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars—file with the officers hereinafter specified a full true and detailed account subscribed and sworn or affirmed to by him before an officer authorized to administer oaths setting forth each and every sum of money contributed received or disbursed by him for election expenses the date of each contribution receipt and disbursement the name of the person from whom received or to whom paid and the object or purpose for which the same was disbursed Such account shall also

set forth the unpaid debts and obligations of any such candidate or committee for election expenses with the nature and amount of each and to whom owing In the case of candidates for election who have previously filed accounts as candidates for nomination the accounts shall only include contributions receipts and disbursements subsequent to the date of such prior accounts If the aggregate receipts or disbursements of a candidate or political committee in connection with any nomination or election shall not exceed fifty dollars the treasurer of the committee or candidate shall within thirty days after the election certify that fact under oath to the officers with whom the statement is filed as hereinafter procided" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 Every candidate for nomination at any primary election caucus or convention whether nominated thereat or not shall within fifteen days after the same was held if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars and every candidate for election and every treasurer of a political committee or person acting as such treasurer shall within thirty days after every election at which such candidate was voted for or with which such political committee was concerned if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars file with the officers hereinafter specified a full true and detailed account subscribed and sworn or affirmeed to by him before an officer authorized to administer oaths setting forth each and every sum of money contributed received or disbursed by him for election expenses the date of each contribution receipt and disbursement the name of the person from whom received or to whom paid and the object or purpose for which the same was disbursed Such account shall also set forth the unpaid debts and obligations of any such candidate or committee for election expenses with the nature and amount of each and to whom owing In the case of candidates for election who have previously filed accounts as candidates for nomination the accounts shall only include contributions receipts and disbursements subsequent to the date of such prior accounts If the aggregate receipts or disbursements of a candidate of political committee in connection with any nomination or election shall not exceed fifty dollars the treasurer of the committee or candidate shall not be required to file any account nor to make any affidavit of his expenditures

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 6, by striking out after the word "expenses" the words "and to regulate" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and to require"; also on page 2, line 28, by striking out after the ward "the" where it occurs the first time, the word "officers" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "officer"; also on page 3, line 27, by striking out after the word "of" where it occurs the first time, the words "candidate of" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "candidate or."

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight) entitled "An Act to regudetailed account subscribed and sworn or affirmed to by late nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 186, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointment, and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary.

The first, second and third sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act no person or persons may be appointed to any salaried position whatever in the fire department except volunteer departments in any city of the third class in this Commonwealth without first having passed all the examinations hereinafter provided for and having been appointed in the manner and according to the terms provisions and conditions of this act

Section 2 There shall be appointed and constituted in all said cities of the third class a civil service board consisting of three citizens who shall be elected by the city council and who shall serve for four years and until their successors are elected and qualified One of said citizens shall be an educator and one shall be a physician At the first election the city council shall elect one person to serve for two years one person to serve for three years and one person to serve for four years and upon the expiration of the term of any member of said board one person shall be elected by the city council to serve upon said board for the term of four years If any vacancies occur they shall be filled by the city council for the unexpired term Each of said members before entering upon the duties of his office shall take and subscribe to the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution of Pennsylvania and file the same duly certified by the officer administering it with the controller of the city No salary or other compensation shall be paid to any member of the said board two members of the board shall constitute a quorum necessary for the transaction of business and said board shall organize under this act for the purpose of transacting all business immediately upon the passage of this act "

Section 3 The said board immediately upon organization shall prepare and adopt such rules and regulations to cover the selection and appointment of all persons to be hereafter employed or appointed in each of said departments in said cities of the third class as in the judgment of said board shall be best adapted to securing the best service for the public in each and all of said departments and such rules and regulations shall provide for ascertaining and determining so far as possible the physical qualifications habits reputation standing experience and education of all applicants for such positions respectively and they shall provide for examinations upon any and all subjects deemed proper or necessary by said board for the purpose of determining their qualifications for the position sought and applied for

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 4 Said board shall make and keep in numerical order a list containing the names of all applicants for positions in each of several departments who may pass the required mental and physical examinations Where more than one person takes examinations for any of said postiions at the same time those successfully passing such examinations shall be entered upon the list of eligible names in the order of their respective percentages the highest coming first and shall furnish the council a certified copy of any and all lists so prepared and kept whenever any vacancy shall occur or appointment be required in any of said departments the superintendent of such department shall make written application to the president of said board who shall forthwith certify to such superitnendent in writing the firts three names on the list of applicants for positions in the designated department and thereupon the superintendent of such department shall nominate to the city council one of the three persons whose names are submitted to fill such positions and if the city council approve such nomnation the person nominated shall be appointed to fill such vacancy and shall be assigned for service in the designated department If the council do not approve such nomination then the superintendent of such department shall submit another nomination for such position from the remaining two names and if such nomination is not approved by the council he shall submit the third name and the person of the three submited whose nomination by the superintendent is approved by the city council shall be appointed to fill such positions and shall be assigned to the designated department. The name of the person so appointed shall be immediately stricken from the list of said board and the names of the two rejected persons shall immediately be restored to their former place on said list

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 4, page 3, line 13, by inserting after the word "of" the word "the"; also in line 19, by inserting after the word "and" the words "said board."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 5 The provisions of this act shall apply to all regular salaried employes of said fire department and all

appointments made under the provisions of this act shall be for and during good behavior and no employe shall be removed or transferred for any political reasons whatever Provided further however That among those persons possessing equal qualifications and eligibility for appointment preference in appointment shall be given to men who have served as volunteer or call firemen and honorably discharged sailors and soldiers who served in the navy or army of the United States during the time of war And provided further that all persons who have had a total service of two years and who hold appointment in said department of said cities at the time this act goes into effect shall remain in office without being required to pass examination and be removed only in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided further That in cases of emergency temporary appointments in the said department may be made without complying with the provisions of this act

The sixth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 6 All employes of said department shall be subject to suspension by the superintendent of the department for misconduct or violation of any law of this Commonwealth any ordinance of the city or regulation of the department pending action by the city council upon the charges made against any such employes and on hearing before the city council where they may be represented by counsel that may be fined suspended or discharged by the city council if found guilty of the charges made against them

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 6, page 5, line 10, by striking out before the word "regulation" the words "city of" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "city or"; also in line 13, by striking out after the word "counsel" the word "that" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "they."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The seventh, eighth and ninth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 7 The said civil service board may appoint a secretary and prescribe his duties He shall be subject to removal at any time by the board and the board shall have power to change his duties The compensation to be paid said secretary provided for by this act and all necessary stationery and supplies for said board shall be such as councils shall by ordinance direct This act shall apply in all cities of the third class but only to regular salaried employes of the fire department in said city and not to any volunteer fire department in said city

Section 8 This act shall go into effect July first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 9 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class; constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 220 (House Bill No. 54), as follows:

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the city of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose

Whereas The Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly by concurrent resolution approved by the Governor on the ninth day of January one thousand nine hundred and seventeen authorized the Governor to provide for the participation in the inaugural parade at Washington District of Columbia by the Commander-in-Chief and Staff and not exceeding one brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania therefore

Resolved By the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly that the sum of thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars ($37,500) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated and made immediately available to defray the expenses of participation by the Commander-in-Chief and Staff and a provisional brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia on March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and for which the Auditor General is authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the State Treasurer in favor of the Adjutant General The expenditures from this appropriation shall be for transportation subsistence at the rate of dollar per day for two days for each officer and enlisted man horse hire quarters music and proper incidental expenses to be apportioned and paid by the Adjutant General upon specifically itemized vouchers filed with the Auditor General any unexpended balance to be returned to the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), on second reading, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 143, entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the Courts of Common Pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 144, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven) entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 147, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five), entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights; and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," as amended; by fixing the terms of city and county inspectors at four years; and regulating the terms of inspectors now in office.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 148, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 157, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such election.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities its officers and agents.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 188, entitled

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 189, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may vest moneys deposited therein.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings, and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes, approved the 13th day of May, A. D. 1915, and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products, or roofing felt, roofing materials and building papers, or products and by products of coal and asphalt."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 196, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the 13th day of June, A. D. 1911 (P. L. 903), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 197, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 197, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 222, entitled

An Act to further amend part of section four of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred six entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities and to provide penalties for violation of its provisions" as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, that Senate Bill No. 222, the bill just read,
be recommitted to the committees on Elections.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bill of the House of Representatives, as follows:

House Bill No. 90 (Senate Bill No. 284) entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimons consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. MAGEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act for the printing, binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department," and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. MAGEE, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of physical education and training in the public schools of the Commonwealth, and creating the Bureau of Physical Education in the Department of Public Instruction to carry out the provisions hereof.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 89.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 89, entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State Highways and State Aid Highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, relating to and regulating motor vehicles; and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said Act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and years subsequent thereto.

With the information that the House had passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 1.

He also presented to the Senate communication from the House of Representatives returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor

With the information that the House had passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 18.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 18, entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth Interest on the Public Debt and the support of the Public Schools for the fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Judicial Departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 10.18 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, February 20, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, February 19, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Hear our prayer, O God, and hide not Thyself from our petition, as we assemble to-night.

Be merciful unto us for our souls; trust in Thee and under the shadow of Thy wings shall be our refuge.

We thank Thee for the greatness of Thy mercy which reacheth unto the heavens and Thy truth which reacheth beyond the clouds, even unto eternity.

Cause us to be righteous so that we may flourish as the palm tree and spread abroad in full usefulness everywhere.

May we rejoice in Thy most holy name, seeking the Lord and His strength and His face forever more.

Make us ever to remember Thy marvelous works, to always keep judgment and do righteousness.

O Lord, grant us understanding, bless us and keep us so that we may live with Thee forever.

Bless us all as Thou seest we stand in need of. Make us strong in power of Thy might and save us. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, February 15, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, February 15, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Wood, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITION FAVORING CHANGES IN GAME LAWS.

Mr. CORBIN presented the petition of the Rod and Gun Club of Yeagerstown, Mifflin County, praying for certain changes in the Game Laws.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. SONES asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Palmer.

Mr. ERDMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Rinn.

Mr. McPEAKE asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sprowls.

Mr. BENNINGER asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Oliver W. Smith.

RESOLUTION NO. 6.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time Resolution No. 6, File Folio 111.

The SPEAKER. The resolution will be read by the Clerk.

The resolution was read as follows:

Resolved That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby instructed to report to this body not later than Tuesday February the twenty-seventh one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the name home address salary and occupation of every employe of the payroll of the House of Representatives for the session of one thuosand nine hundred and seventeen together with the name or names if known to him of the person or persons who recommended such employes for appointment and set forth whether or not the person appointed is actually rendering the service for which he was appointed

Be it further resolved That a statement of the current expenditures of all persons employed by the House of Representatives for telephoning traveling and any other items of expense which have been charged to the State since the beginning of the session to and including February thirteenth one thousand nine hundred seventeen be included in the report to be made under the direction of this resolution.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution?

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wallace and Mr. Canon.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I ask for a verification of the roll.

The roll was verified as follows:

YEAS—98.

Albee,	Graham,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Aron,	Haight,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Arthur,	Haldeman,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Baker,	Hecht,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Baldridge,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Spangler,
Bechtold,	Hess,	Murphy,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hough,	Powell,	Swartz,
Christman,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Clements,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Leary,	Richards,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rininger,	West,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wood,
Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Fretz,	McCullough,	Shunk,	Zanders,
Gans,	McKinney,	Siggins,	Baldwin,
Goodnough,	McPeake,	Simpson,	Speaker.
Goodwin,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,	

NAYS—71.

Aston,	Donneley,	Malie,	Rudisill,
Baldi,	Drake,	Maurer,	Sarig,
Barner,	Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Bell,	Dunn,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Benchoff,	Eby,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Bennett,	Erdman,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Bidelspacher,	Fackler,	Mervine,	Snyder,
Black,	Fowler,	Miller, Allan,	Sweitzer,
Burnett,	Glass,	Milner,	Vickerman,
Campbell, J. O.,	Golder,	Morgan, T.,	Walker,
Canon,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Wallace,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Phillips,	Walter,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Wells,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Williams, G. W.
Corbin,	Jack,	Rich,	Wobensmith,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Woodward,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wylie,
Dean,	Laucks,	Rothenberger,	

So the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves, to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead of Philadelphia an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch deceased.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company Edward L. Keane Secretary of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 319, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen, to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors, and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture, and all other actual and necessary expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 349, entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony in the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs making an appropriation for the work of revising compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing binding and mounting the same and for paper.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 339 (Senate Bill No. 89), entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from licenses fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropria-

tion to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said source for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, is there any gentleman in the House who represents the gentleman in the Senate on this measure? If so, we would like to have an explanation.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, while I do not represent the sponsor of this bill, I have heard it explained.

The purpose of the bill now before us is this: In 1913 the Legislature passed an act providing that all automobile licenses should be turned over immediately on collection to the Highway Department for road purposes. I think that the gentlemen understand that attention of the Legislature was called to the fact that automobile licenses should be paid immediately to the Highway Department. In 1915 the Chairman of the Appropriation Committee, in presenting the bill, unfortunately made that purpose doubtful in regard to making an appropriation for the Highway Department of stating that the amount appropriated included the automobile license money. That had the effect of tying up the money which was paid for 1917 until the end of this fiscal year, June 1st, which would be an unfortunate situation for the Highway Department. For that reason we desire that this bill should pass so that the money collected for automobile licenses shall immediately be paid to the Highway Department so that they can continue their work in maintaining the highways.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Albee,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Geary,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allen,	Snowden,
Barner,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bechtold,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bennett,	Haight,	Milner,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Black,	Hess,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Horne,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hough,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dawson,	Leary,	Robertson,	West,
Dean,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Eby,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McKay,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed it without amendments.

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 90, File Folio 75, from the Bills on Third Reading Postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 90, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two, Chapter seven of the act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Adam C. Schaeffer.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Schaeffer, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, yes, sir.

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman how many boroughs are there in his district?

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, about sixty.

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Is it not true that a similar bill was passed at the last session of the House and Senate and vetoed by Governor Brumbaugh?

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Yes, sir.

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Is it not true that a similar bill was passed at the previous session of the Legislature and vetoed by Governor Tener?

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Not that I know of.

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I wish to say a word against this particular bill. I come from a district composed of eleven townships and eighteen boroughs; not any of them are large boroughs. I have made a special effort to find out the will of my people back at home. I find that in almost every instance even the burgesses themselves say that this bill should not be passed. I wish to inform you that a similar bill to this one was not only passed by the last House and Senate and vetoed by Governor Brumbaugh but a similar bill was passed at the previous session and vetoed by Governor Tener. That fact alone should cause this bill to be carefully scrutinized and examined. The main arguments in favor of this bill are two: First, that the people should be allowed to say whether they want a burgess elected again or not. Second, that good burgesses are so scarce, when we get a good one we ought to re-elect him. I think the first proposition is the only one worthy of consideration. Right here I might say that I was Borough Solicitor of my home borough for over seven years and I have made a special study of borough legislation and municipal affairs for over ten years. and it is my experience that in nine cases out of ten where a burgess is popular enough to be elected, when he goes into office and fulfills his duty without fear or favor he is usually so unpopular that he cannot be re-elected and it is the exception to the rule that a good burgess is re-elected. I might cite you a couple of instances in regard to a couple of towns in our county where justices of the peace by reason of catering to the undesirable people are able to keep themselves in office; I even might say in defiance of the better element of the town and in defiance often of the majority of the citizens. Some will say, "How is that possible." They build up their own political organizations and then when they come up for re-election they have enough candidates in the field to split their vote. How much more power could a burgess have if he had this right of re-election? I say further that this is one of the checks that the people have that should not be taken away from them.

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, I did not intend to say anything on this measure but inasmuch as my good friend from Allegheny has attacked it I feel it my duty at this time to say a few words.

Now I am going to leave it to the judgment of the House if a burgess of any borough should not have the same right as the supervisor, the school director, the councilmen, the tax receiver or the Justice of the Peace. I might cite other offices but I am only going to cite one more, mayors of third class cities.

My friend from Allegheny has advanced the argument about a burgess becoming a political power. I think his argument, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, is a joke, because you know as well as I do that there is no burgess can succeed himself, if this bill becomes a law, if he does not fulfil the office to the satisfaction of the majority of the citizens of that particular borough; and if he does not fulfil the office to the satisfaction of the majority of voters in that borough it is a cinch bet that they are going to defeat him. I think my friend from Allegheny County has a few burgesses that he is afraid of. I don't think that he has anything to fear. He says that the burgesses of that county are opposed to this bill. It was only last week that the State Association of Boroughs held their convention in this city and they passed a resolution endorsing this measure almost unanimously.

Now, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this is a meritorious measure and I ask you to support this bill.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—149

Albee,	Fowler,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Franklin,	McKay,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Gans,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Glass,	Mehring,	Showalter,
Baldi,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Shunk,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Siggins,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, F. I.,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milliron,	Smith, J. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Milner,	Snowden,
Black,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Hess,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Clements,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Dale,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wells,
Dean,	Laucks,	Richards,	West,
Dell,	Leary,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Malie,	Ross,	Wood,
Eby,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McCullough,	Sarig,	

NAYS—23

Baldridge,	Hough,	Michel,	Vickerman,
Benninger,	Howarth,	Murdoch,	Wagner,
Boyd,	Kennedy,	Simpson,	Wickman,
Canon,	Lauler,	Smith, E. R.,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Stadtlander,	
Drake,	Mearkle,	Stern,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 259, as follows:

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That after the passage of this act all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with.

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 267, entitled

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial-ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding fifty ($50.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial-ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding seventy-five ($75.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existing or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence

within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 4, line 8, after the word war, the word "existing," change to word "existed."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 That section three of said act which reads as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the said sum of fifty ($50.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn" is hereby amended to read as follows

"Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the said sum of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines."

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 268, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and thirty-two) entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners may cause to be buried the body of the widow of any person who served in the army or navy of the United States in any war in which the United States was engaged which widow shall hereafter die in their county leaving insufficient means to defray her necessary funeral expenses The expense to the county for any such burial shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners may cause to be buried the body of the widow of any person who served in the army or navy of the United States in any war in which the United States was engaged which widow shall hereafter die in their county leaving insufficient means to defray her necessary burial expenses The expense to the county for any such bural shall not exceed the sum of seventy-five dollars

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend Section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend Section nine of an act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nine of this act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements" as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements" which as amended reads as follows

"Section 9 The collector of taxes shall collect the taxes charged in said duplicates and pay over the same to the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto after deducting his commission for the collection thereof Such commission shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective (boroughs or townships) and shall not exceed five per centum of the amount collected All taxes collected within the ninety days as provided in this act shall be paid over as aforesaid within fifteen days after the expiration of said ninety days and all taxes thereafter collected during his term of office shall be paid over as aforesaid at regular intervals of one month and complete settlement of all taxes collected shall be made by the collector of taxes with the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office" is hereby further amended so as to read

Section 9 The collector of taxes shall collect the taxes charged in said duplicates and pay over the same to the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto after deducting his commission for the collection thereof Such

commission shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county borough township school district or poor district entitled to such tax and shall not exceed five per centum of the amount collected All taxes collected within the ninety days as provided in this act shall be paid over as aforesaid within fifteen days after the expiration of said ninety days and all taxes thereafter collected during his term of office shall be paid over as aforesaid at regular intervals of one month and a complete settlement of all taxes collected shall be made by the collector of taxes with the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment:

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows

Amend Section 1, page 3, line 25, by inserting the word "a" after "and."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read as follows

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships in this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title page 1, line 16, by striking out "twenty-first" and inserting in lieu thereof "twenty-fifth."
Amend title page 2, line 4, by striking out "twenty-first" and inserting in lieu thereof "twenty-fifth."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

COMMUNICATION RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS.

CYRUS E. WOODS, Secretary.
JOHN F. WHITWORTH, Corporation Clerk.
FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES, Deputy.
CHAS. H. HOLLINGER, Asst. Corpn. Clerk.
GEORGE D. THORN, Chief Clerk.
GILBERT H. HASSLER, Commission Clerk.

Pennsylvania.
Office of Secretary of the
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Harrisburg.

Harrisburg, February 17, 1917.

House of Representatives.

Gentlemen: In accordance with the request of the Legislature of the State of New York, I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a concurrent resolution of the General Assembly of the State of New York, relating to the protection of migratory birds.

Yours respectfully,
CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

State of New York.

In the Senate.

Albany, January 31, 1917.

By Mr. Walton:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY.

Section 1. Whereas, The convention between the United States and Great Britain for the protection of the migratory birds was ratified on the seventh day of December, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen; and

Whereas, In order to give effect to such convention there has been introduced in the Senate of the United States a bill, S. No. 7858, and in the House of Representatives, a bill, H. R. No. 20080, for the purpose of giving effect to such convention; and

Whereas, There is a very general sentiment in this State in favor, and an urgent request for, the enactment of a law to give effect to such convention;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, if the Assembly concur, That Congress be and hereby is requested to enact a law giving effect to such convention; and

Be it further resolved, That the Legislatures of all States of the United States now in session be and they are respectfully requested to join in this request by the adoption of this or any equivalent resolution; and

Be it further resolved, That Congress be and hereby is requested to make adequate appropriation for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions contained in the bills S. 7858 and H. R. No. 20080.

Be it further resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the United States Senate and to the House of Representatives and to the several members of such bodies representing this State therein; and to transmit copies hereof to the Legislature of all the other States of the Union.

By order of the Senate,
ERNEST A. FAY,
Clerk.

In Assembly January 31, 1917, concurred in without amendment.

By order of the Assembly,
FRED W. HAMMOND,
Clerk.

Filed February 1. 1917.
FRANCIS M. HUGO,
Secretary of State.

State of New York,
ss.
Office of Secretary of State.

I have compared the preceding copy of resolution of the Senate and Assembly with the original resolution on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

Given under my hand and the Seal of Office of the Secretary of State, at the City of Albany, this second day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

(Seal of Secretary of State.)

FRANCIS M. HUGO,
Secretary of State.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE STATE WORKMEN'S INSURANCE BOARD.

ALBERT L. ALLEN, Assistant Manager.

INSURANCE BOARD.
ROBERT K. YOUNG, State Treasurer.
JOHN PRICE JACKSON, Commissioner of Labor and Industry.
J. DENNY O'NEIL, Insurance Commissioner.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
State Workmen's Insurance Fund.
Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

In response to the Concurrent Resolution, directing the "Insurance Commissioner and Workmen's Compensation Fund to furnish list of Insurance Companies to whom State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten with amounts of Insurance," the State Workmen's Insurance Board submits a full and complete list of all the Insurance Companies by whom the risks of the State

Workmen's Insurance Fund have been underwritten, together with the amounts of insurance carried with each of said companies, as follows:

London Lloyd's	$165,000.00
Excess Insurance Co., Ltd., London	20,000.00
Consolidated Assurance Co., Ltd., London,	15,000.00

Act 340 of the Compensation Laws of 1915, Section XIV, reads as follows:

"The said board shall have the power to re-insure any risk which they may deem necessary."

Efforts were made by the Board to place re-insurance of catastrophe hazard with a company or companies licensed to do this class of insurance in Pennsylvania. Not succeeding in this undertaking re-insurance was placed as above stated, after the Board had satisfied itself as to the reliability of these carriers. The Board has at all times been willing to re-insure its catastrophe hazard in reputable insurance companies licensed to do this class of business in Pennsylvania and still stands ready so to do, upon as favorable terms as those on which it is now being obtained.

State Workmen's Insurance Board,
ROBERT KENNEDY YOUNG,
Chairman.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

J. D. O'NEIL, Commissioner. SAM'L W. McCULLOUGH, Deputy.

Pennsylvania
Insurance Department.
Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: Complying with the Concurrent Resolution directing the "Insurance Commissioner and Workmen's Compensation Fund to furnish list of Insurance Companies to whom State Compensation Fund Insurance has been underwritten, with amounts of insurance," I have the honor to report that there is absolutely no record in the Insurance Department showing any transactions of the State Insurance Fund.

The minutes of the State Workmen's Insurance Board show that the Assistant Manager of the State Workmen's Insurance Fund was authorized to secure insurance against the catastrophe hazard of the risks assumed by the State Workmen's Insurance Fund wherever it could be procured and the minutes of this Board further show that this insurance was secured from London Lloyd's to the amount of $165,000.00; Excess Insurance Company, Ltd., London, Eng., $20,000.00; and Consolidated Assurance Company, London, Eng., $15,000.00.

These transactions occurred previous to my appointment as Insurance Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. O'NEIL,
Insurance Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 10.10 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, February 20, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we come from the various parts of this Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bringing the visions and the light as it may appeal to us and these are to be blended and crystalized in the minds of this distinguished body so that they will finally come forth into the pure white light of such laws as shall be for the uplift and the progressive development of our Commonwealth. We pray Thy blessing upon this entire body and upon all those who are associated with them in the making of these laws. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. DAIX, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 213, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Also, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf, a resident of the borough of Canton, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 115, entitled

An Act to promote uniformity in all courts of record in issuing writs and process for the beginning of civil actions.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Forestry, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 212, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests, and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Also, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act authorizing Ida Collins, a resident of Somerset County, in her own right, and in the right of her minor children to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. WHITTEN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 205, entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, for the amount of such part, if any, of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by, and paid by him to the Treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia, in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Mr. NASON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 139, entitled

An Act relating to division fences in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class; regulating the nature, height, materials and kind thereof, defining the same, and, in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines; also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height, except under a permit.

Also, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 140, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class except under a permit, declaring certain fences a private nuisance and their erection a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act.

Mr. SONES, from the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 110, entitled

An Act concerning transactions by banks and trust companies after twelve o'clock noon on Saturdays.

Also, from the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 161, entitled

An Act relative to the payment of deposits in banks or trust companies deposited in two names.

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act to authorize counties, cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men, and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection, alteration, addition and repair of public buildings.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. HINDMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 287, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Elk County General Hospital, of Ridgway, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 288, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Lock Haven Hospital, of Lock Haven, Clinton County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 289, entitled

An Act to further amend part of section one of an act, approved the eleventh day of July, 1901, entitled "An Act to regulate and establish the fees to be charged by sheriffs in this Commonwealth, and to provide for the taxation and collection of the same," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. MAGEE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

In the Senate, February 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February twenty-sixth, at 9 o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 63, as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and seven) entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities co-extensive with counties for city and county purposes imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all personal property of the classes hereinafter enumerated owned held or possessed by any person persons copartnership or unincorporated association or company resident located or liable to taxation within this Commonwealth or by any joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation whatsoever formed erected or incorporated by under or in pursuance of any law of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government and liable to taxation within this Commonwealth whether such personal property be owned held or possessed by such person or persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation in his her their or its own right or as active trustee agent attorney-in-fact or in any other capacity for the use benefit or advantage of any other person persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation is hereby made taxable annually for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the value thereof and no failure to assess or return the same shall discharge such owner or holder thereof from liability therefor that is to say

"All mortgages all moneys owing by solvent debtors whether by promissory note or penal or single bill bond or judgment all articles of agreement and accounts bearing interest all public loans whatsoever except those issued by this Commonwealth or the United States and those made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all loans issued by any corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government including car-trust securities and loans secured by bonds or any other form of certificate or evidence of indebtedness whether the interest be included in the principle of the obligation or payable by the terms thereof except such loans as are made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all shares of stock in any bank corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government except shares of stock in any bank corporation or limited partnership that may be liable to a tax on its shares or its capital stock for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth or relieved from the payment of tax on its shares or capital stock for State purposes by the laws of the Commonwealth all moneys loaned or invested in other states territories the District of Columbia or foreign countries all other moneyed capital in the hands of individual citizens of the states all stages omnibuses hacks cabs and other vehicles used in transporting passengers for hire except steam and street passenger railway cars owned used or possesseed within this Commonwealth by any person or persons or by any corporate body or bodies all annuities yielding annually over two hundred dollars Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company And provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to savings institutions having no capital stock but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject and if at any time either now or hereafter any persons individuals or bodies corporate have agreed or shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from the said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them from paying the said four mills tax on any of the said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owing to the said saving institution having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations life or fire insurance corporations having no capital stock secret and beneficial societies labor unions and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received from voluntary contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or unions And provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for State purposes shall not be required to make any report or pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them in their own right but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner shall return and pay the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes shall be taxed or taxable for any other local purpose or for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all personal property of the classes hereinafter enumerated owned held or possessed by any person persons copartnership or unincorporated association or company resident located or liable to taxation within this Commonwealth or by any joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation whatsoever formed erected or incorporated by under or in pursuance of any law of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government and liable to taxation within this Commonwealth whether such personal property be owned held or possessed by such person or persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation in his her their or its own right or as active trustee agent attorney-in-fact or in any other capacity for the use benefit or advantage of any other person persons copartnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation is hereby made taxable annually for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the value thereof and no failure to assess or return the same shall discharge such owner or holder thereof from liability therefor that is to say

All mortgages all moneys owing by solvent debtors whether by promissory note or penal or single bill bond or judgment all articles of agreement and accounts bearing interest all public loans whatsoever except those issued by this Commonwealth or the United States and those made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all loans issued by any corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other State or government including car-trust securities and loans secured by bonds or any other form of certificate or evidence of indebtedness whether the interest be included in the principal of the obligation or payable by the terms thereof except such loans as are made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all shares of stock in any bank corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other State or government except shares of stock in any bank corporation or limited partnership that may be liable to a tax on its shares or its capital stock for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth or relieved from the payment of tax on its shares or capital stock for State purposes by the laws of the Commonwealth all moneys loaned or invested in other States territories the District of Columbia or foreign countries all other moneyed capital in the hands of individual citizens of the State all stages omnibusses hacks cabs and other vehicles used in transporting passengers for hire except steam and street passenger railway cars owned used or possessed within this Commonwealth by any person or persons or by any corporate body or bodies all annuities yielding annually over two hundred dollars Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company And provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to savings institutions having no capital stock nor to savings deposits where the amount of such deposit is less than five thousand dollars and where the interest paid on such deposit does not exceed four per centum per annum but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject nor to relieve or exempt savings deposits where the amount of such deposit exceeds five thousand dollars nor to relieve or exempt savings deposits where the amount of such deposit is less than five thousand dollars and bears interest at a rate exceeding four per centum per annum and if at any time either now or hereafter any persons individuals or bodies corporate have agreed or shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from the said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them from paying the said four mills tax on any of the said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owing to the said saving institution having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations life or fire insurance corporations having no capital stock secret and beneficial societies labor unions and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received from voluntary contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or unions And provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for State purposes shall not be required to make any report or pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them in their own right but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner shall return and pay the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes shall be taxed or taxable for any other local purpose or for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Vare,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Jones,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—3.

Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 75, as follows:

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight) entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act which reads as follows

"Section 5 Every candidate for nomination at any primary election caucus or convention whether nominated thereat or not shall within fifteen days after the same was held if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars and every candidate for election and every treasurer of a political committee or person acting as such treasurer shall within thirty days after every election at which such candidate was voted for or with such political committee was concerned if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars—file with the officers hereinafter specified a full true and detailed account subscribed and sworn or affirmed to by him before an officer authorized to administer oaths setting forth each and every sum of money contributed received or disbursed by him for election expenses the date of each contribution receipt and disbursement the name of the person from whom received or to whom paid and the object or purpose for which the same was disbursed Such account shall also set forth the unpaid debts and obligations of any such candidate or committee for election expenses with the nature and amount of each and to whom owing In the case of candidates for election who have previously filed accounts as candidates for nomination the accounts shall only include contributions receipts and disbursements subsequent to the date of such prior accounts If the aggregate receipts or disbursements of a candidate or political committee in connection with any nomination or election shall not exceed fifty dollars the treasurer of the committee or candidate shall within thirty days after the election certify that fact under oath to the officer with whom the statement is filed as hereinafter provided" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 Every candidate for nomination at any primary election caucus or convention whether nominated thereat or not shall within fifteen days after the same was held if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars and every candidate for election and every treasurer of a political committee or person acting as such treasurer shall within thirty days after every election at which such candidate was voted for or with which such political committee was concerned if the amount received or expended shall exceed the sum of fifty dollars file with the officers hereinafter specified a full true and detailed account subscribed and sworn or affirmeed to by him before an officer authorized to administer oaths setting forth each and every sum of money contributed received or disbursed by him for election expenses the date of each contribution receipt and disbursement the name of the person from whom received or to whom paid and the object or purpose for which the same was disbursed Such account shall also set forth the unpaid debts and obligations of any such candidate or committee for election expenses with the nature and amount of each and to whom owing In the case of candidates for election who have previously filed accounts as candidates for nomination the accounts shall only include contributions receipts and disbursements subsequent to the date of such prior accounts If the aggregate receipts or disbursements of a candidate or political committee in connection with any nomination or election shall not exceed fifty dollars the treasurer of the committee or candidate shall not be required to file any account nor to make any affidavit of his expenditures

And said bill having been read at length the third time, aid agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37.

Baldwin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Craig,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
Haldeman,	Miller,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 186, as follows:

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act no person or persons may be appointed to any salaried position whatever in the fire department except volunteer departments in any city of the third class in this Commonwealth without first having passed all the examinations hereinafter provided for and having been appointed in the manner and according to the terms provisions and conditions of this act

Section 2 There shall be appointed and constituted in all said cities of the third class a civil service board consisting of three citizens who shall be elected by the city council and who shall serve for four years and until their successors are elected and qualified One of said citizens shall be an educator and one shall be a physician At the first election the city council shall elect one person to serve for two years one person to serve for three years and one person to serve for four years and upon the expiration of the term of any member of said board one person shall be elected by the city council to serve upon said board for the term of four years If any vacancies occur they shall be filled by the city council for the unexpired term Each of said members before entering upon the duties of his office shall take and subscribe to the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution of Pennsylvania and file the same duly certified by the officer administering it with the controller of the city No salary or other compensation shall be paid to any member of the said board two members of the board shall constitute a quorum necessary for the transaction of business and said board shall organize under this act for the purpose of transacting all business immediately upon the passage of this act

Section 3 The said board immediately upon organization shall prepare and adopt such rules and regulations to cover the selection and appointment of all persons to be hereafter employed or appointed in each of said departments in said cities of the third class as in the judgment of said board shall be best adapted to securing the best service for the public in each and all of said departments and such rules and regulations shall provide for ascertaining and determining so far as possible the physical qualifications habits reputation standing experience and education of all applicants for such positions respectively and they shall provide for examinations upon any and all subjects deemed proper or necessary by said board for the purpose of determining their qualifications for the position sought and applied for

Section 4 Said board shall make and keep in numerical order a list containing the names of all applicants for positions in each of the several departments who may pass the required mental and physical examinations Where more than one person takes examinations for any of said positions at the same time those successfully passing such examinations shall be entered upon the list of eligible names in the order of their respective percentages the highest coming first and said board shall furnish the council a certified copy of any and all lists so prepared and kept whenever any vacancy shall occur or appointment be required in any of said departments the superintendent of such department shall make written application to the president of said board who shall forthwith certify to such superintendent in writing the first three names on the list of applicants for positions in the designated department and thereupon the superintendent of such department shall nominate to the city council one of the three persons whose names are submitted to fill such positions and if the city council approve such nomination the person nominated shall be appointed to fill such vacancy and shall be assigned for service in the designated department If the council do not approve such nomination then the superintendent of such department shall submit another nomination for such position from the remaining two names and if such nomination is not approved by the council he shall submit the third name and the person of the three submitted whose nomination by the superintendent is approved by the city council shall be appointed to fill such positions and shall be assigned to the designated department. The name of the person so appointed shall be immediately stricken from the list of said board and the names of the two rejected persons shall immediately be restored to their former place on said list

Section 5 The provisions of this act shall apply to all regular salaried employes of said fire department and all appointments made under the provisions of this act shall be for and during good behavior and no employe shall be removed or transferred for any political reasons whatever Provided further however That among those persons possessing equal qualifications and eligibility for appointment preference in appointment shall be given to men who have served as volunteer or call firemen and honorably discharged sailors and soldiers who served in the navy or army of the United States during the time of war And provided further that all persons who have had a total service of two years and who hold appointment in said department of said cities at the time this act goes into effect shall remain in office without being required to pass examination and be removed only in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided further That in cases of emergency temporary appointments in the said department may be made without complying with the provisions of this act

Section 6 All employes of said department shall be subject to suspension by the superintendent of the department for misconduct or violation of any law of this Commonwealth any ordinance of the city or regulation of the department pending action by the city council upon the charges made against any such employes and on hearing before the city council where they may be represented by counsel they may be fined suspended or discharged by the city council if found guilty of the charges made against them

Section 7 The said civil service board may appoint a secretary and prescribe his duties He shall be subject to removal at any time by the board and the board shall have power to change his duties The compensation to be paid said secretary provided for by this act and all necessary stationery and supplies for said board shall be such as councils shall by ordinance direct This act shall apply in all cities of the third class but only to regular salaried employes of the fire department in said city and not to any volunteer fire department in said city

Section 8 This act shall go into effect July first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 9 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Vare,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Warner,
Daix,	Magee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sones,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,		

NAYS—1.

Homsher,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—28.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Martin,	Sones,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Sproul,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—4.

Haldeman,	Magee,	Smith, R. E.,	Snyder, P. W.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 220 (House Bill No. 54), entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Homsher,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Daix,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Sones,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Sproul,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made by virtue of decree of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators for any lawful purpose shall be valid and effectual and shall vest in the purchasers or mortgagees their heirs and assigns the title or mortgage interest as the case may be of such decedents in the real estate so decreed to be sold or mortgaged No such sale or mortgaging of any real estate of a decedent shall be validated unless adequate security conditioned for the faithful application of the proceeds of such sale or mortgage shall have been given by such executors or administrators as the case may be in accordance with such decree This act shall not apply to any case heretofore judicially adjudicated" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made by virtue of decrees of orphans' courts upon petition of executors administrators guardians or trustees for any lawful purpose shall be valid and effectual and shall vest in the purchaser or mortgagees their heirs and assigns the title or mortgage interest as the case may be of such decedents in the real estate so decreed to be sold or mortgaged No such sale or mortgaging of any real estate of a decedent shall be validated unless adequate security conditioned for the faithful application of the proceeds of such sale or mortgage shall have been given by such executors administrators guardians or trustees as the case may be in accordance with such decrees This act shall not apply to any case heretofore judicially adjudicated

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 24, by striking out the word "purchaser" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "purchasers"; also line 26 by inserting after the word "to" the word "be"; also in line 29, by striking out "securit" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "security."

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 143, as follows:

An Act authorizing appeals from the courts of common pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all actions pending or which may hereafter be brought in any court of common pleas in this Commonwealth and in which any of said courts shall make an order granting a new trial it shall be lawful for the party aggrieved to except to the order or decree of said court granting a new trial and thereupon he may appeal to the Supreme or Superior Court in the like manner and with the same effect as though final judgment had been entered

Section 2 The Supreme and Superior Courts shall have power in all such cases to review the action of the court from which such appeal is taken and to affirm reverse amend or modify said order or decree appealed from and to enter such judgment order and decree in the case as the appellate court may think proper and just without returning the record for amendment or modification to the court from which such appeal is taken or may enter judgment on the verdict

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 144, as follows:

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven) entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the county of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 14 All parties believing themselves to be aggrieved by the decisions of the said municipal court may remove their cases by appeal or writ of error to the Supreme or Superior Court as the case may be in the accordance with existing law and in accordance with the practice and procedure in perfecting appeals from existing courts in Philadelphia county" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 14 All parties believing themselves to be aggrieved by the decisions of the said municipal court may remove their cases by appeal or writ of error to the Supreme or Superior Court as the case may be in accordance with the law now existing or which may hereafter be adopted and in accordance with the practice and procedure now existing or which may hereafter be adopted in perfecting appeals from existing courts in Philadelphia county

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 147, as follows:

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficeint weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the term of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the term of inspectors now in office

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" which as amended by an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and sixty) entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof'" reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the mayors of cities of the second and third class and the several boards of county commissioners shall respectively appoint one or more competent persons as inspectors of weights and measures in the respective county or city whose salary shall not be less than one thousand dollars per annum to be paid out of the respective revenues of such county or city Provided however That the the payment of a minimum salary shall not apply to counties having a population of fifteen thousand or less In addition to the salary provided by law the said county and city inspectors shall be entitled to receive the actual expenses incurred by them personally in performing the duties of their office such as transportation hotel livery telephone telegraph and postal charges to be paid by the boards of county commissioners of their respective counties on bills itemized and properly sworn to Provided however That nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent two or more counties or any county and city from combining the whole or any part of their districts as may be agreed upon by the board of county commissioners and mayors of cities with one set of standards and one inspector upon the written consent of the chief of the bureau of standards Provided further In cities of the first class the inspectors shall be appointed by the county commissioners of the county in which the said city may be located Any inspector appointed in pursuance of an agreement for such combination shall subject to the terms of his appointment have the same authority and duties as if he had been appointed by each of the authorities who are parties to the agreement The county and city inspectors of weights and measures as appointed by the respective counties and cities shall hold their office during good behavior and shall not be removed discharged or reduced in pay or position except for inefficiency incapacity conduct unbecoming employes or other just cause and until the said officials shall have been furnished with written statements of the reasons for such removal discharge or reduction and shall have been given reasonable time to make written answer thereto Nor shall such removal discharge or reduction be made until the charge or charges shall have been examined into and found true in fact by the appointing power of such county or city at a hearing upon reasonable notice to the person charged at which time he may be represented by counsel and offer testimony or witnesses in his own behalf It shall be unlawful for any sealer or inspector of weight and measures or any of his deputies to perform clerical or other services for the county or city of their respective districts" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the mayors of cities of the second and third class and the several boards of county commissioners shall respectively appoint one or more competent persons as inspectors of weights and measures in the respective county or city whose salary shall not be less than one thousand dollars per annum to be paid out of the respective revenues of such county or city Provided however That the payment of a minimum salary shall not apply to counties having a population of fifteen thousand or less In addition to the salary provided by law the said county and city inspectors shall be entitled to receive the actual expenses incurred by them personally in performing the duties of their office such as transportation hotel livery telephone telegraph and postal charges to be paid by the boards of county commissioners of their respective counties on bills itemized and properly sworn to Provided however That nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent two or more counties or any county and city from combining the whole or any part of their districts as may be agreed upon by the board of county commissioners and mayors of cities with one set of standards and one inspector upon the written consent of the chief of the bureau of standards Provided further In cities of the first class the inspectors shall be appointed by the county commissioners of the county in which the said city may be located Any inspector appointed in pursuance of an agreement for such combination shall subject to the terms of his appointment have the same authority and duties as if he had been appointed by each of the authorities who are parties to the agreement The county and city inspectors of weights and measures as appointed by the respective counties and cities shall hold their office for a term of four years from the date of their appointment The terms of all county and city inspectors now in office shall be computed from the date when they were first appointed and successors to such inspectors shall be appointed when such inspectors have been in office for a term of four years The terms of all county and city inspectors who have at the date when this act takes effect been in office for a term of four years or more shall cease and determine at the date this act takes effect and their successors shall be forthwith appointed for a term of four years No inspector shall during the term for which he is appointed be removed discharged or reduced in pay or position except for inefficiency incapacity conduct unbecoming employes or other just cause and until the said officials shall have been furnished with written statements of the reasons for such removal discharge or reduction and shall have been given reasonable time to make written answer thereto. Nor shall such removal discharge or reduction be made until the charge or charges shall have been examined into and found true in fact by the appointing power of such county or city at a hearing upon reasonable notice to the person charged at which time he may be represented by counsel and offer testimony or witnesses in his own behalf It shall be unlawful for any sealer or inspector of weight and measures or any of his deputies to perform clerical or other services for the county or city of their respective districts"

Section 2 This act shall take effect on the first day of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 148, as follows:

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws authorizing the appointment of the commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses

Whereas By an act approved May twenty-three one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred ninety-one) a board of commissioners for the promotion of

uniformity of legislation in the United States was temporarily created for a term not exceeding four years and

Whereas By successive acts of Assembly passed every four years thereafter the said board has been continued and

Whereas In accordance with the provisions of the Act of May twenty-eight one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-nine) the existence of the said board will terminate by limitation on the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and its existence should be made permanent

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the board of commissioners on uniform State laws is hereby created consisting of three commissioners learned in the law and within thirty days after the approval of this act the Governor shall appoint by and with the advice and consent of the Senate three persons learned in the law as such Commissioners for a term of four years

Section 2 The board shall organize within thirty days after the appointment of its members and the members shall hold their repsective offices until their successors are appointed and qualified Any vacancy occurring in the board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor for the term of four years by and with the advice and consent of the Senate

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the said board to examine such subjects as it may deem necessary and to ascertain the best means to affect an assimilation and uniformity of State legislation throughout the United States relating to the subjects so examined and said board of commissioners shall meet with the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws for the promotion of or other sessions and join with it in such measures as may be deemed most expedient to advance the objects of its appointment

Section 4 The said board as hereby constituted before each annual session of the Legislature shall make a report of its transactions together with its advice and recommendation as to proposed uniform laws to the Governor of the Commonwealth which report shall be by him transmitted to the Legislature

Section 5 No member of the board hereby constituted shall receive any compensation for his services as commissioner but each commissioner shall be entitled to receive his actual disbursements for necessary expenses in performing the duties of his appointment which disbursements shall be made as provided by law out of the appropriation to said board

Section 6 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 157, as follows:

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district within this Commonwealth to increase its indebtedness under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and under the acts amendatory thereof where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of the increase of indebtedness be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such county city borough township school district or incorporated district did not by separate and independent action prior to the ordinance or vote in pursuance of which notice of the election was given to the electors signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness to the amount as set forth in the notice of election or did not in the words of the act and supplements aforesaid authorizing such increase signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or where the ordinance or vote signifying such desire or providing for the notice of election was not advertised posted or recorded as required by law or where the ballots were not certified or signed by the county commissioners or were not printed on the official ballot after the list of candidates but were printed on separate ballots or where full complete and proper return of the votes was not made to the proper court or counted by the court and notwithstanding any defect or informality in the manner of giving notice of such election or in the manner of holding such election or in the conduct thereof or by reason of failure to comply with the requirements of any Act of Assembly providing for the arrangement or equipment of the polling places and notwithstanding any mistake in stating the amount or percentage of the existing debt or the percentage of the proposed increase All bonds issued or to be issued in pursuance of each such election are hereby made valid binding obligations of every such county city borough township school district or incorporated district

Provided however That all the other requirements of the law concerning such election and the issue of bonds have been complied with

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities its officers and agents.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the overseers and directors of the poor of any poor district maintaining an almshouse for its indigent poor may enter into a contract with any incorporated association organized for the purpose of providing a home for deaf and dumb persons and being situated within the boundaries of the State of Pennsylvania for the care and maintenance at such home of any indigent deaf and dumb person who may be an inmate of the almshouse of any poor district or who may under the laws of Pennsylvania be entitled to relief from such poor district

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 The contract as hereinbefore provided shall be entered into by the poor districts on its own motion with such qualified institution as they may select provided however that the Board of Public Charities or any of its authorized agents may direct any poor district to remove any deaf and dumb inmate of an almshouse to the care of an incorporated association qualified under this act and when such removal is so ordered the contract for maintenance and the removal of the inmate to such institution shall be made and carried out by the overseers or directors of the poor district or in the event of their failure to comply with such direction the said contract and the removal of such inmate may be made and carried out by the State Board of Charities or its authorized agents

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SONES. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 14, by striking out the words "State Board of Charities" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Board of Public Charities."

Mr. DEWITT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 Whenever a contract for such care and maintenance is made whether by any poor district or by the State Board of Charities for any poor district the said poor district shall during the period such person may remain in said institution pay to such incorporated association annually a sum equal to the per capita cost of maintaining inmates in the almshouse of such poor district and all such costs for maintenance shall be collectible by process of existing laws

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SONES. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 2, line 18, by striking out the words "State Board of Charities" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Board of Public Charities."

Mr. DeWITT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities its officers and agents.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 188, as follows:

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That executors administrators guardians and other trustees are hereby authorized to invest trust funds in their possession or under their control in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen and its amendments or supplements and that such bonds are hereby declared to be legal investments of moneys by executors administrators guardians and other trustees

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 189, as follows:

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all insurance companies incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania may lawfully invest their capital and surplus funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 190, as follows:

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act trustees or directors of savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly of this Commonwealth may notwithstanding any provisions of their charter or of any act of Assembly under which they may have been incorporated invest the moneys deposited in said savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 191 as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes" approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen which reads as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the mining and manufacturing of any clay into brick tile and various other articles and products produced from clay or from clay and other substances mixed therewith or for the manufacture and sale of explosives or for the manufacture of fire-brick and refractories and the mining and quarrying of the raw material therefor or for the manufacture storage distribution or sale of cheese or butter or other dairy or creamery products or for the manufacture buying selling dealing in and using of collapsible tubes and metal specialties to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the mining and manufacturing of any clay into brick tile and various other articles and products produced from clay or from clay and other substances mixed therewith or for the manufacture and sale of explosives or for the manufacture of fire-brick and refractories and the mining and quarrying of the raw material therefor or for the manufacture storage distribution or sale of cheese or butter or other dairy or creamery products or for the manufacture buying selling dealing in and using of collapsible tubes and metal specialties or coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth

And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 196 as follows:

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand" be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

The first, second, third and fourth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "contest" includes any contest bout match or exhibition of boxing or sparring or wrestling

Section 2 A State Athletic Commission is hereby established The commission shall consist of three members appointed by the Governor for a term of four years from the first day of June next succeeding their appointment A vacancy from any cause shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term The Governor may for cause remove any member

Section 3 The commission shall elect one of its members as chairman It shall adopt a seal and shall adopt rules for the administration of its duties Such rules may be changed or abrogated at any time Two members of the commission shall be a quorum for all purposes

Section 4 The commission shall elect a secretary who shall hold office during the pleasure of the commission He shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars and shall perform such duties as may be imposed by the commission

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 The members of the commission shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars each Each member and the secretary be allowed expenses actually and necessarily incurred by him respectively in the performance of his duties

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, page 2, line 8, by inserting after the word "secretary" the word "shall".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to.

Section 6 The commission shall annually make to the Governor a written report of its proceedings during the year ending November first The commission shall also report such other matters as the Governor may direct It may report such recommendations as to it seem proper

Section 7 The commission shall have sole jurisdiction over all contests It is unlawful to conduct or participate in a contest unless the contest is conducted by a corporation licensed under the provisions of this act and is conducted according to the rules of the commission and the provisions of this act

Section 8 The commission may in its discretion issue and may at its pleasure revoke a license to conduct contests licenses shall issue only upon written application verified as to the statements therein by the chief officer and the secretary of the applicant No application shall be considered by the commission unless the applicant is the owner of the premises where the contests are to be conducted or holds a lease of at least a year for the premises If the applicant is an amateur athletic organization it must have been incorporated and organized in accordance with the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States The application shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Auditor General as hereinafter prescribed Application shall be on blank forms prepared and furnished by the commission and in addition to the foregoing requirements shall contain such additional information as may be desired by the commission

Section 9 Every applicant for a license shall file with the Auditor General a bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of ten thousand dollars conditioned for the faithful observance of the rules of the commission and of the provisions of this act and for the payment of the tax imposed by this act The surety thereon shall be two individuals or one surety company authorized to act as surety in Pennsylvania The surety shall be subject to the approval of the Auditor general The form of bond shall be prepared by the Auditor General Failure to observe the rules of the commission or the provisions of this act shall work a forfeiture of the bond and the Attorney General shall on request of the commission proceed to recover and pay into the State Treasury the amount thereof Upon approval of the bond a certificate of the filing and acceptance thereof shall be furnished to the applicant by the Auditor General

The tenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 10 The commission may at any time examine the books of any such license corporation and may require it to furnish to the commission a written report on any matters coming within the jurisdiction of the commission. The commission may hold hearings which shall be public and may by subpoena compel the attendance of persons and the production of books papers and other documents It may cause its subpoena to be served anywhere in Pennsylvania. If a person subpoenaed refuses to appear and testify or if he appears but refuses to testify the commission may apply to the court of common pleas of the county where the delinquent resides The court shall issue its subpoena requiring the attendance and testimony of the delinquent as the commission shall desire Failure to obey the subpoena of the court shall be contempt of court punishable as contempt in open court is punishable When the examination of any books or the hearing is to determine whether this act is being violated the expense incidental thereto shall be paid by the license corporation

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 10, page 3, line 29, by striking out the word "license" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "licensed"; also on page 4, line 17, by striking out the word "license" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "licensed".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 11 Within twenty-four hours after a contest is conducted the licensee shall report to the commission the whole number of tickets sold for the contest and the amount of the gross receipts from the sale of tickets and from other sources incidental to and connected with the contest The report shall also include such other matters as the commission may demand The report shall be on

blanks furnished by the commission and shall be verified by the chief officer and the secretary of the licensee

Section 12 At the same time the report required in the foregoing section is made the licensee shall forward to the State Treasurer as a tax five per centum of the gross receipts mentioned in such section Failure to pay the tax within five days after the contest is terminated shall work a forfeiture of the bond

Section 13 No free or complimentary tickets nor tickets at a discount shall be issued for any contest except under the rules of the commission

Section 14 No person under the age of eighteen years shall perticipate in or be a spectator of a contest nor shall any such person be permitted to participate in or be a spectator of a contest

Section 15 It is unlawful to conduct or permit to be conducted or to participate in any fraudulent sham or collusive contest The license of a corporation permiting such a contest shall be revoked and the corporation shall not thereafter receive a license

Section 16 If a person knowingly contests in a fraudulent sham or collusive contest he shall for the first offense be debarred from participating for a period of six months in any contest For the second offense he shall be debarred from admission to or participating at any time thereafter in a contest This penalty shall be in addition to the penalty hereinafter imposed

Section 17 No boxing contest shall be for more than ten rounds The contestants shall wear gloves weighing at least eight ounces

Section 18 The building wherein contests are conducted shall be properly ventilated and shall be amply protected against fire and other danger according to the laws of the Commonwealth and the ordinances of the city borough town or township wherein the building is located The commission may require a certificate of inspection in compliance with this section to be filed with the application for license

Section 19 The violation of any of the provisions of this act is a misdemeanor On conviction in case of a corporation so offending the bond of the corporation shall be forfeited On conviction in the case of a person the offender shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding six months This shall be in addition to any other penalty mentioned in this act

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year, ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen," as approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts, page thirty-three), providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement, and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act be and the same are hereby specifically appropriated to the several objects hereinafter named to be made in the manner prescribed by law Provided That all sums hereby appropriated shall be paid on the warrant of the Auditor General drawn upon the State Treasurer unless otherwise prescribed by law And provided further That out of the amount hereby appropriated to the Senate and House of Representatives for salaries and mileage of officers and employes there shall also be paid any increase in salaries as well as salaries and mileage of any officers and employes for the session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen as may be authorized during said session

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 For the payment of the deficiencies in certain appropriations and for minor appropriations to the following named executive departments of the State government the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid in the manner prescribed by law

Auditor General's Department.

For the payment of persons employed by the Auditor General to discover prosecute and collect delinquent corporation taxes for the payment of compensation and expenses of persons appointed in pursuance of law to examine the accounts of officers or individuals receiving or disbursing moneys of the Commonwealth and for the payment of traveling expenses of the Auditor General his deputies and traveling auditors for the purchase of patent indices records law books and other books necessary for the proper conduct of the work of the Department and the printing and issuance of laws rulings opinions et cetera of the Attorney General the payment of compensation of informants in escheats and the fees and expenses of escheats and the service of attorneys authorized by the Auditor General in connection with escheat proceedings the payment of costs in suits against delinquent dealers for mercantile and other licenses the payment of mileage of appraisers of mercantile and other license taxes the employment of extra clerical assistance and for the payment of postage express charges cost of filing liens and all other necessary expenses in the proper administration of the Department the sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars ($29,000.00)

Treasury Department.

For the payment of such extra clerks as the State Treasurer may find it necessary to employ for the purpose of balancing and transferring accounts making new indices rendering services made necessary by legislation enacted at the session of the Legislature of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen or rendering any other general assistance to the regular clerical force the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000)

Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure.

For the payment of the deficiency in the amount appropriated for the expenses incurred in the regulation of the practice of midwifery Act of June fifth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen Pamphlet Laws four hundred and forty-one the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary up to June fourth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

State Livestock Sanitary Board.

For the payment of a deficiency in salaries and expenses of the State Livestock Sanitary Board for the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred and sixty-four dollars and seventy-five cents ($34,164.75)

Department of Forestry.

For the payment of a deficiency in the Department of Forestry for salaries and expenses of foresters and forest rangers the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000)

Department of Health.

To the Department of Health for a deficiency for the medical inspection of the pupils of the public schools in accordance with the provisions of the School Code the sum of thirty-three thousand four hundred and one dollars ($33,401)

For the deficiency "for the payment of expenses of registration of births and deaths in cities of the first and second class in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Assembly regulating such payments" the sum of four thousand five hundred ($4,500) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary

State Highway Department

For the payment of a deficiency in the Automobile Division of the State Highway Department for salaries and other necessary expenses for the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of thirty-four thousand dollars ($34,000)

Department of Public Grounds and Buildings

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the purchase of any article of furniture furnishings stationery supplies fuel or any other matters or things and for the payment of any repairs alterations or improvements the want of which may not have been anticipated at the time of the issue of the annual schedule of supplies and which do not appear in the same and for which requisition is made on the superintendent and known as the board's general fund in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of ten thousand two hundred dollars ($10,200.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the cost of general supplies including stationery furniture fuel repairs alterations or improvements and other matters needed by the legislature the several

departments boards and commissions of the state government and executive mansion set forth in and included in the general annual schedule of supplies for the state government in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the rent of offices and rooms outside of capitol buildings when necessary for the accommodation of any department board or commission of the state government in accordance with the act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven and also in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the cost of electric current gas and steam for light heat and power for the public grounds and buildings where not supplied from the capitol power plant in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the salaries of the chief and assistant engineer of the power plant and all other employes required in conducting cleaning and making repairs and everything necessary for the safety and keeping of the buildings and grounds in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment by the superintendent for any emergency supplies the want of which may not have been anticipated at the time of the issue of the annual schedule of supplies and which do not appear in the same and for which requisition shall be made upon the superintendent and for the payment by the superintendent for emergency repairs and supplies and all temporary help for the care maintenance and preservation of the public grounds and buildings including the executive mansion in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of Six Thousand Dollars ($6,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

Department of Public Printing and Binding.

For the payment of printing binding ruling et cetera the additional sum of one hundred and seventy-eight thousand nine hundred and seventy-four dollars and seventy-one cents ($178,974.71) For the payment of interest on bills due and unpaid for the printing binding and ruling et cetera which have been approved and settled according to law by the Auditor General and State Treasurer and subject to payment when an appropriation has been made by the Legislature for the payment of same said interest to be computed from the dates of the several settlement the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000.00)

For the payment of paper envelopes and other supplies the additional sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00)

Department of Fisheries.

For the purpose of hatching propagating and distributing food and game fish and stocking and supplying the waters of the Commonwealth with the same the distribution of fish and employing the necessary labor and implements therefor purchasing and paying for the repairs improvements and necessary expenses to the State hatcheries the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00)

For the payment of the necessary and reasonable expenses of the Commissioner of Fisheries and other members of the Fishery Commission and office employes the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00)

For the purpose of maintaining and operating launch "Commodore Perry" on Lake Erie the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00)

For the purpose of maintaining and operating the cruiser "Anna" at Torresdale on the Delaware the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.00)

For field work gathering spawn transferring fish employing and paying the necessary labor and incidental expenses thereto the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00)

Water Supply Commission.

To the Water Supply Commission for an emergency fund for field examinations which may be necessary by reason of spring floods the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000.00)

Pennsylvania State Board of Censors of Motion Pictures.

To the State Board of Censors of Motion Pictures for the payment of a deficiency in the contingent traveling and incidental expenses the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00)

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 4, line 22, by striking out the word "fifteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighteen"; also on page 4, in line 22, by striking out the figures "$15,000" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "$18,000"; also by inserting on page 4 between lines 22 and 23 the following:

"For the payment of the deficiency which has arisen under the provisions of the act of Assembly approved the twenty-fifth day of April, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act making constables of boroughs and townships and their deputies, and the employes of the Department of Forestry ex officio fire wardens for the extinguishment of forest, or wild land fires, prescribing the duties of such fire wardens and their punishment for failure to perform the same, empowering them to procure the assistance of others in the extinguishment of such fires, and providing for the compensation of the said wardens and their assistants and making an appropriation therefor," the sum of eighteen hundred dollars ($1800).

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Legislative Department.

Section 3 For the payment of the deficiencies in certain appropriations and for minor appropriations to the Senate and House of Representatives the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid in the manner prescribed by law

Senate.

To the chief clerk of the Senate for the payment of the postage on the Legislative Journal bills and calendars session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of salaries and balance of salaries due the President pro tempore and other officers and employes of the Senate during the two years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and which have not otherwise been provided for the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the mileage of the officers and employes of the Senate session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of seven hundred dollars ($700.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the incidental expenses of the Senate the six months commencing December one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the additional sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000) or so much as may be necessary to be expended by the chief clerk of the Senate who shall render to the Auditor General accounts from time to time with proper specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts

For the payment of officers and employes of the Senate session of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen employed on the completion of the Legislative Journal work after close of said session the sum of four hundred and forty-eight dollars ($448.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the salaries and mileage session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen of such additional officers and employes of the Senate as may be authorized by resolution the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary to be expended by the Chief Clerk of the Senate who shall render to the Auditor General accounts from time to time with specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts Provided That all vouchers for salaries and mileage of officers and employes shall be certified by the President pro tempore and the Chief Clerk of the Senate

To the Chief Clerk of the Senate for the payment of the expenses incurred in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the Violet Oakley Mural Paintings in Senate Chamber the sum of eight hundred dollars ($800.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary same to be paid upon approval of the President of the Senate

House of Representatives.

To the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives for the payment of the postage on the Legislative Journal bills and calendars session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of salaries and balances of salaries due the Speaker and other officers and employes of the House of Representatives during the two years ending May

thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and which have not otherwise been provided for the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the salaries of the returning officers of the House of Representatives at the beginning of the session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the additional sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary

For the payment of the incidental expenses of the House of Representatives the six months commencing December one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the additional sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to be expended by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives who shall render to the Auditor General accounts from time to time with proper specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts

Legislative Journal.

Section 4 For the payment of the person or persons appointed to index the Legislative Journal session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) in accordance with the act establishing said journal

Section 5 For the payment of the balance of the compensation allowed by law to the compiler and assistant compiler of Smull's Legislative Hand Book for the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the sum of five hundred dollars each ($1,000.00) and like amounts for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen ($1,000.00)

Section 6 To Charles F. Straube for the payment of informant's fee in the matter of the information in escheat in re Harmony Society of Economy filed October sixteenth one thousand nine hundred and six the sum of thirty-three thousand three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents ($33,333.33) and for the payment of expenses incurred by him therein and in the matter of the proceedings in quo warranto instituted on behalf of the Commonwealth at the relation of the Attorney General at number two hundred seventy-five June term one thousand nine hundred and ten in the court of common pleas of Beaver county the sum of ten thousand four hundred and fifty-five ($10,455.00) dollars the said several sums to be paid to the said Charles F. Straube upon warrant of the Auditor General upon the production to the Auditor General of satisfactory evidence of the payment and discharge of all fees and expenses of counsel and witnesses and all charges and expenses of every kind incident to the said proceedings in escheat and in quo warranto and upon the filing of a full and complete discharge of all fees compensation charges and expenses of every kind which may have accrued to the said Charles F. Straube and to George C. Buell his co-informant (or the legal representatives or assigns of said Buell) as informants in escheat or in the matter of the said proceedings in quo warranto or to which they or either of them may be legally or equitably entitled

The title of the bill was read as follows, and agreed to:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 202 (House Bill No. 95), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws 203), to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse; and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan; and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 210, entitled

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 225 (House Bill No. 7), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physicians of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 226 (House Bill No. 69), entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes of the Department of Banking.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 273, entitled

An Act establishing a public school teachers' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing teachers; defining the uses and purposes thereof, and the manner of payments therefrom; and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of teachers; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of physical education and training in the public schools of the Commonwealth and creating the Bureau of Physical Education in the Department of Public Instruction to carry out the provisions hereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 274, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 262, entitled

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SONES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 290, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Williamsport Hospital, of the City of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 291, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittendon Mission, of the City of Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 292, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Aged Colored Women's Home, at Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 293, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for the Friendless, of the City of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 294, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Boys' Industrial Home, at Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 295, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Williamsport Training Home for Girls, at Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 296, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Indiana Hospital of Indiana County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for five minutes.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

Senate Bill No. 18, entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth Interest on the Public Debt and the support of the Public Schools for the fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Judicial Departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

Senate Bill No. 89, entitled

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State highways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the act of Assembly approved July seventh, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and repealing the act of Assembly of June eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

RECESS.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 11.45 o'clock A. M.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House had concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February twenty-sixth, at 9 o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PRAYING FOR THE SPEEDY PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 392, NOW PENDING IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House had concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 19, 1917.

Whereas, There is now pending in the Congress of the United States Senate Bill No. 392, introduced by Hon. Charles E. Townsend, known as the Civil War volunteer retired list bill to authorize placing thereon, with retired pay, certain surviving officers who served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States in the Civil War; and

Whereas, The Committee on Military Affairs have reported the same to the Senate with amendments and as thus amended, the committee recommended that the bill do pass; and

Whereas, The provisions of said bills are as pledged by Congress and President Lincoln at the opening of the Civil War to the several States and to the volunteers furnished by them; and

Whereas, The present policy of the government is to retire all officers of the Regular Army and Navy at three-fourths pay for life at ages less than any of those who will receive the recognition accorded by the above contemplated act; and

Whereas, Full retired pay for life to all survivors of the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and Indian Wars in accordance with rank has been granted and furnishes a commanding precedent; and

Whereas, Public Sentiment of the Nation is shown by the unanimous action of the legislatures of thirteen States, speaking for approximately sixty millions of our people, recommending the enactment of such a measure; therefore be it

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress and the entire Congress of the United States of America be, and they are hereby, memorialized and requested that said bill, known as the volunteer retired bill, which will give Civil War volunteer retired officers the same aid according to rank as that given to the retired officers of the regular army, be speedily taken up and put upon its final passage; and be further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this memorial to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the National Congress and to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress.

RESOLUTION DISAPPROVING OF THE PROPOSED PLAN TO IMPOSE A FEDERAL TAX UPON THE PROFITS OF CORPORATIONS, JOINT STOCK COMPANIES, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS OR ANY OTHER EXTENSIONS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF TAXES UPON SOURCES HERETOFORE RELIED UPON BY THE STATES FOR THEIR REVENUE.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Whereas, the Federal Government has already imposed taxes upon income, upon inheritance and upon the capital stock of corporations, all of which sources of revenue have heretofore been relief upon by the states for their income, and

Whereas, The further extension by the Federal Government of the plan of raising its revenue by taxes upon sources which the several states have heretofore relied upon for their revenues, constitutes a serious menace to the fiscal plans of the states, and

Whereas, It appears to be entirely possible for the Federal government to secure adequate funds for its legitimate needs through a judicious system of indirect taxes to cover current expenses coupled with the funding of amounts to cover permanent improvements,

Resolved (if the House concur), That the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania expresses hereby its emphatic disapproval of the proposed plan to impose a federal tax upon the profits of corporations, joint-stock companies, associations and partnerships or any other extensions by the Federal Government of taxes upon sources heretofore relied upon by the states for their revenues, and the senators and representatives in Congress from this State are hereby requested to oppose any such contemplated action on the part of the Federal Government.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives to the Ways and Means Committee of the National House of Representatives and to the Finance Committee of the United States Senate, and to each Senator and Representatives in Congress from this State.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be suspended, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 229 (House Bill No. 32), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, Pennsylvania.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SCHANTZ from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act preventing the manufacture, sale, or transportation within the Commonwealth, of adulterated or misbranded paris greens, lead arsenates, lime-sulphur compounds and other insectides, and fungicides, and regulating traffic therein; providing for inspection of such materials, and imposing penalties.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 297, entitled

An Act to regulate cold storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violations of the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 298, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Memorial Home of Brookville, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 299, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Punxsutawney Hospital of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 300, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Adrian Hospital of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. HINDMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. HINDMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 301, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Renova Hospital.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until next Monday evening at nine o'clock.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12:12 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, February 26, 1917, at 9 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, February 20, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Almighty and Ever Living God, we most heartily thank Thee for Thy providential care and protection during the past night and Thy continued mercy at all times.

Regard, O Lord, the supplications of Thy servants. May we rededicate and reconsecrate our spiritual existence to the upbuilding of Thy glorious majesty and power everywhere.

Give us humility and readiness of heart to honor Thy Great Name, separating it from all unhallowed, ordinary and common uses. Remove from us all doubt, even though we realize that we are not worthy, and come to Thee with lowliness and devotion.

Fill our memories with words of Thy law, enlighten our understanding with Thy Divine Illuminations, and make us instrumental in promoting salvation. Continue to heighten our love and gratitude.

Bless the Speaker and the members of this Assembly with health, strength and a fidelity to duty to God and man.

Hear our prayers, increase our love and faith, and save us. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Urich, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 597.

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class, approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 598.

An Act providing for the payment of certain claims for damage done to property by deer, elk and bear; providing a method for the ascertainment of such damage, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 599.

An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith, for investigations and inquests after accidents, defining the duties of employes and employers, and prescribing penalties for violations of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 600.

An Act establishing a certain public road as a portion of the system of State Highways and providing for its construction and maintenance as a State Highway at the expense of the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 601.

An Act exempting the several counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities of this Commonwealth, from the payment of any tax whatever to the Commonwealth, on their bonds, obligations, or other evidence of indebtedness.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 602.

An Act subjecting the real estate of all railroad, railway, canal, water, gas, electric light, telegraph, and telephone companies, and of all other public service corporations or companies to taxation for county, city, borough, township, school, poor, and other local purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 603.

An Act repealing an act, entitled "An Act amending article six of an act, entitled 'An Act for the government of cities of the second class,' approved the seventh day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and one, as amended by an amendatory act, approved the first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine, and as affected by an act, entitled 'An Act providing a uniform rate of assesment and taxation for all real estate in cities of the second class,' approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, by providing for the classification of real estate for purposes of taxation into two classes, to wit, the buildings on land and the land exclusive of buildings and by providing for the assessment of a less tax upon the buildings than upon the land exclusive of the buildings in cities of the second class," approved May fifteenth, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 604.

An Act to further amend section two thousand two hundred and twenty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended by an act approved the fourth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two thousand two hundred and twenty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and providing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith.'"

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 605.

Supplement to an act entitled "An Act creating the Bureau of Vocational Education of the Department of Public Instruction; creating the divisions of the same; providing for the appointment of its officers and other employes by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, defining the duties of the same, and fixing the compensation of its employes," approved the sixth day of May, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing for the appointment of trade apprenticeship instructors.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 606.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Bedford and Somerset.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. PERRY. House Bill No. 607.

An Act making it unlawful for any insurance company or association issuing health or accident policies to cancel the same except upon written application and consent of the insured; providing for the cancellation of policies on which the premium has not been paid; and providing penalties for violations of its provisions.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 608.

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift, of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 609.

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of county commissioners, in counties of this Commonwealth," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 610.

An Act to promote the safety of employes and travelers upon steam and electric railroads by requiring common carriers by railroads to afford a safe clearance between structures as mentioned in this act and located on or along their roadways and locomotives and cars passing over their lines and making such illegal operation a misdemeanor and providing penalty therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 611.

An Act to amend section one of an act, approved the twenty-second day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of the several counties in this Commonwealth to appoint a county solicitor, fix his compensation and prescribe the term and duties of the solicitor," authorizing the appointment of assistant county solicitors.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. HAIGHT. House Bill No. 612.

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 613.

An Act providing for the keeping of files in the public law libraries of the several counties of this Commonwealth of all rules and regulations adopted by the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 614.

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendent of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highway solely at the expense of the Commonwealth; and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decided the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended, by providing for the taking over by the State Highway Department of abandoned rights of way of railroad or railway companies in certain cases.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 615.

An Act to amend the act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities; and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions;" by extending the provisions thereof to public employes paid out of any public treasury within cities of the first class maintained from taxes collected within such cities; and by adding a member of the Board of Education to the Pension Board.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MALIE. House Bill No. 616.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home of the Good Shepherd of the County of Allegheny, Lowrie Street, Troy Hill, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SNYDER. House Bill No. 617.

An Act making an appropriation to the Westmoreland County Children's Aid Society, at Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 618.

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth, on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 619.

An Act to give protection and to regulate the catching or taking or having in possession within this Commonwealth of any bull-frogs, tad-poles and terrapin, and providing penalties and punishments for violation of any of the provisions of this act, and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the penalties and fines recovered and received, and how and by whom the costs in such cases shall be paid.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 620.

An Act to provide for the pensioning of soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States, from Pennsylvania in the Civil War; and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

By Mr. McCURDY. House Bill No. 621.

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions, and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines, and penalties received."

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 622.

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation, owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law, to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that precautions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened. And providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations. And providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 623.

An Act making an appropriation to Saint John's General Hospital, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 624.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Timothy's Memorial Hospital and House of Mercy, Roxborough, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SNYDER. House Bill No. 625.

An Act making an appropriation to the Westmoreland Hospital Association, of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 626.

An Act directing the State Highway Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to repair or rebuild any street or bridge forming part of a designated route extending through any borough or incorporated town and used as part of a State highway; providing that consent of the town council shall be first obtained and provided further that such permission shall not interfere with police and other regulations by the borough over such streets or bridges.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 627.

An Act making an appropriation to the West Mountain Sanatorium of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 628.

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the twenty-first day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the better protection and preservation of game, game-quadrupeds, and game-birds in Pennsylvania, and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. MANGAN. House Bill No. 629.

An Act making an appropriation to the South Side Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 630.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of York.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 631.

An Act declaring the non-liability of counties, townships, poor districts and school districts in this Commonwealth for the negligence, torts, misfeasance and malfeasance of their officials, employes and agents.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 632.

An Act making an appropriation to the Markleton General Hospital at Markleton, Pennsylvania, Somerset County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 633.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds; providing for the selection of samples thereof, and their examination by the Department of Agriculture, and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act, and fixing penalties for its violation."

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. ROBERTSON. House Bill No. 634.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mary M. Packer Hospital, Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 635.

An Act permitting pool rooms, billiard halls and bowling alleys to keep open until eleven o'clock post meridian.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. GORMLEY. House Bill No. 636.

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof;

conferring authority of the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highway to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing for penalties for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended, by providing for condemnation of county bridges by the Highway Commissioner in certain counties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 637.

An Act to repeal an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act concerning life insurance; the persons who may place, sell, or solicit life insurance, and be compensated or benefited therefore; making it unlawful for attorneys, officers, clerks, servants, and employes, or persons otherwise hired and engaged, to receive compensation for life insurance placed, sold, or solicited for the benefit of, or on the lives of, their clients, partners, employers, masters, or fellow attorneys, officers, clerks, servants, or employes; defining the time of such employment; fixing a penalty for violation of this act, and making said violation a misdemeanor; and repealing existing laws."

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 638.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department, to be used in the deepening, straightening, widening, and otherwise improving Pine Creek so as to prevent damage and danger from floods and overflows; and granting to the State Highway Department the authority to make said improvements.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DONNELEY. House Bill No. 639.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Anthracite Coal Region of Pennsylvania, at Fountain Springs, near Ashland, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RUDISILL. House Bill No. 640.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. RUDISILL. House Bill No. 641.

An Act making an appropriation for the erection of monument to Brevet Major General David McMurtrie Gregg on the Battlefield of Gettysburg; and providing for the appointment of a commission by the Governor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 642.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department for the construction and improvement of a certain section of State Highway in the County of Jefferson.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 643.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Jefferson.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 644.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department for the construction and improvement of a certain section of State Highway in the Counties of Jefferson and Clearfield.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 645.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department for the construction and improvement of a certain section of State Highway in the County of Jefferson.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SONES. House Bill No. 646.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pottsville Hospital, Pottsville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SONES. House Bill No. 647.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pottsville Benevolent Home for Children, Pottsville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. ARON, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class, by authority of the court, to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation; and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

Mr. REITZEL, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 142, entitled

An Act providing for the examination, licensure and registration of persons, co-partnerships, associations or corporations engaging in the business or work of electrical construction, and any maintenance, alterations or repairing, in connection therewith, in any buildings or structures, in cities of the second and third class of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties.

Mr. MILNER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 270, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended; providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale, in certain cases; and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed House Bill No. 199, entitled

An Act to amend section twelve of an act approved the eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred three), entitled "An Act to provide for the more effectual protection of the public health in the several municipalities of this Commonwealth.

Mr. LAUCKS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 185, entitled

An Act, amending section six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts, instead of imposing sentences; the appointment of probation and parole officers, and the payment of their salaries and expenses; regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases, and providing for their release on parole; their conviction of crime during parole, and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole; and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries," approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven; in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third of the maximum sentence.

Mr. PATTERSON, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 141, entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on Education, reported as amended House Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten, and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven, one thousand two hundred and thirteen, and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 195, entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock;' approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose; constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity, or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,'" approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products;" extending the same to companies engaged in packing, manipulating, or manufacturing tobacco, or manuaftcuring cigars, cigarettes or other tobacco products.

Mr. HEYBURN, reported from the Committee on Education, with a negative recommendation, House Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act making military and naval instruction and training compulsory in all schools, public, parochial and private, seminaries, colleges and universities and all institutions of learning in this Commonwealth for all male pupils over the age of twelve years and providing for said training and instruction.

Mr. BENNINGER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF BILL.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the Judiciary Special Committee be discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 3, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

and that the Chairman be instructed to report the bill out.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, the bill to which this motion refers is one which I introduced on the twenty-third of January, known as the Arsenal Bill. I am asking for the discharge of this committee from further consideration of that bill to protect the rights of every member of this House, not because I am the sponsor of the bill, but to show by the vote of this House whether they sanction the discourtesy of one member to another. It is only for the purpose of protecting the members of this House from any further action like this that I ask that the committee be discharged from further consideration of this bill,—only for that, because if we don't stamp our seal of disapproval on actions like this, who knows who will be the next member of this House to be treated with the same discourtesy.

The SPEAKER. The Chair shall have to rule that no member of the House can question the courtesy of a committee or of a member. The gentleman will have to confine himself to the remarks as to why the motion should pass. I shall rule always that the rules of the House must be adhered to and that no action of a committee or member shall be criticized. The gentleman has the right to talk upon the motion under the rules.

Mr. DUNN. The members of this House are the only ones to decide a question like this and I bow to the will of the majority of the House,—whether they will agree to such conditions as exist.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, two bills came before the Judiciary Special Committee for their consideration. The bills both involved the taking of lands by the United States with the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known as the Frankford Arsenal in Frankford, Philadelphia. The bills necessarily had to be identical in form, because both of the bills contained a description of the property and the meets and bounds are alike in all needs and should be alike in all bills that necessarily cede the jurisdiction, or that grant any of the lands. These bills were given faithful, patient and decent consideration by the entire committee. I have no personal interest in either one bill or the other and only speak as the Chairman of the committee in order to back up the committee. Both these bills, after patient hearing, were carefully considered. The committee decided to report out the Perry Bill. That bill was before the committee again this morning. It had been up for second reading in this House last week. The committee this morning had a thorough discussion for the second or third time on both of the bills. A motion was made by one of the members of the committee to report out the Dunn bill. That motion was faithfully and properly and in an orderly manner put before the committee, according to all the rules of Cushing's Manual and Roberts' Rules of Order, and defeated, and the Perry Bill is now before the House. I want to say, further, on this question that it occurred during the last session and other sessions of this House, often, that two bills of the same character would come before a committee and that the committee has the right and prerogative to decide what bill to report. I am sorry that my friend from Philadelphia is personally displeased and that he takes this matter to heart, individually. So far as I am concerned I have no individual preference in the matter at all. The committee's action speaks for itself and I ask that the House sustain the action of the committee and vote against this motion.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I will ask the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, when was my bill reported in his committee?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I don't keep the records of the committee and I don't know. The Secretary can answer that.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to further interrogate the gentleman: Is it not a fact that an exact copy of my bill was reported into this House on last Tuesday a week and theirs reported out almost three weeks after the introduction of my bill?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I don't know; the records will speak for themselves.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the sponsor of this bill, the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Perry.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Perry, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, yes, sir, with pleasure.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Perry, where did he get the description of the property incorporated in his bill?

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I received that description from some real estate owners in the district who I have the honor to represent here.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to further interrogate the gentleman on this question: This bill for which the gentleman is sponsor, was referred back on last Tuesday to that committee, is that correct?

The SPEAKER. I don't think the gentleman can make an accusation.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I ask, is not that correct—was not that bill referred back to the committee?

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, the House knows that without asking me.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, that is all I have to ask. I will let the members of this House decide.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, it does seem to me that this discussion here concerning the preference to be given one bill over that of another when the bills are identical, in the same shape, is anything but creditable to the House. I don't think the members of this House are at all entertained or interested in the rivalry between the respective gentlemen who stand as sponsors for these bills. At the same time we are told that corrections ought to be made to the bill which has been reported out as well as the bill which my friend now seeks to bring out of committee and putting it on the calendar. It seems to me the proper action which ought to be taken now, in perfect consistency, would be to vote down the motion to take this bill out of the committee's hands and pay our proper respects to the other bill when we reach it on the calendar and then see whether it is in proper shape, and if it is not send it back, and in the meantime we can see what to do with the two sponsors who are equally interested in this proposition, because of their residence in close proximity to the Arsenal in Philadelphia, and probably we can restore something like a proper relation and friendly feeling that should exist in this House. I regret this bandying of words, this difference between two members from my own city and I think it would be well, hereafter, and perhaps in the next day or two I may offer a resolution, where a bill is introduced the first bill, if it comes in, if it is in proper shape, ought to be the bill reported out.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is not speaking to the question before the House.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I therefore vote against the motion.

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, my point is—Rule 57 of the House Rules provides that when a bill has not been ten days in the hands of a committee and has been reported out by a vote of sixty members, the House may discharge the committee. As I understand the statement is made that the bill has not been in the hands of the committee ten days and it seems to me that the motion is out of order.

The SPEAKER. The Chair understands that the bill has been in the committee more than ten days.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I thought the bill was referred to the Committee on last Wednesday. I was mistaken in the bill.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire the privilege of the floor for a few moments to state why I want action on this motion to-day. The Government has been waiting since the twenty-sixth of July last to get this privilege. Seven hundred thousand dollars have been awaiting to carry out the plans of the Government. We thought it would only take a week after introducing the bill when it would be in the hands of the United States Government in order to proceed with this work. Very nearly two months of this Legislature has passed and the legislature has refused to grant that permission. I have a letter here from the United States Attorney, Mr. Francis Fisher Kane, which I desire to read. Let me read that to you to show you how anxious they are to have this bill reported:

"Philadelphia, February 16, 1917.

Hon. James A. Dunn,
Milnor Street,
Bridesburg, Pa.

My Dear Mr. Dunn: After a conference with you, I have noted the verbal changes suggested by you and approve the same. I refer to the changes suggested in House Bill No. 3, giving the consent of the Commonwealth to purchase of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal, etc. I think the addition to the title suggested by Mr. Brown is all right, and I have no objection to the same. I am much obliged to you for pointing out the typographical mistakes made by the printer in the descriptions of the properties. I note you have also taken account of the material error of "thirty-three" where the words should be "thirty-one" on line 1 of page 4, of the printed bill.

"I hope you will be able to get your bill out of Committee on Monday night, and that it will go to second reading immediately. It is, of course, of great importance to the government that the bill in correct shape should be passed and approved as soon as possible.

I herewith return you copy of the bill with corrections.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) FRANCIS FISHER KANE,
United States Attorney.

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Enclosure.
P. S. Will you please acknowledge receipt of this letter with enclosure?"

That is the reason, my friends, that we have been delayed two months on a thing like this and the United States government is appealing to us and if we postpone action on this for another week and then take a recess for probably one or two more weeks while these plans calling for $700,000—and under the Civil Bill to-day I picked up to-day's Inquirer and read that the Frankford Arsenal is to get $297,000 more; $90,000 for magazine building to be put on these grounds, which is very important because the magazine is in the center of these grounds and any moment tons of smokeless powder and high explosives may throw thousands of our people into eternity; $165,000 for a priming shop; $30,000 for new officers' quarters; $20,000 for a wall and picket fence; and $10,000 for repairs to a road; $297,000.00 additional, which will make a million dollars for improvements. Is there any wonder that the government is anxious at this time to get this land and if you delay it you will delay longer protecting the people of our city.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker I only want to say a word or two more on this matter. I agree thoroughly with the gentleman that we should not delay action on the matter. The Perry Bill, which brings forth all that he is contending for, is now before the House, reported out this morning for Second Reading, and if this motion is passed it will delay the matter.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question.

Mr. HEFFERNAN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The SPEAKER. Being no further remarks, the question is on the resolution offered by the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Dunn, that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of House Bill No. 3. It requires sixty votes and the records will have to show who the sixty votes in the affirmative were; therefore the Chair will ask the Clerk to call the roll.

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

YEAS—75.

Arthur,	Dell,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,
Aston,	Drake,	Lanius,	Rich,
Baldi,	Drinkhouse,	Laucks,	Ringler,
Barner,	Dunn,	Malie,	Ross,
Bell,	Eby,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,
Bennett,	Fackler,	McCurdy,	Rudisill,
Bidelspacher,	Fowler,	McKay,	Sarig,
Black,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Burnett,	Glass,	Mehring,	Showalter,
Campbell, J. O.,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Canon,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Hecht,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stites,
Christman,	Helt,	Milner,	Strauss,
Cook,	Hess,	Mitchell,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Hibshman,	Morgan, T.,	Walker,
Cox,	Horne,	Morgan, T. J.,	Wallace,
Curry,	Howarth,	Ogden,	Walter,
Dale,	Isherwood,	Patterson,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Jack,	Phillips,	Wylie,

NAYS—93.

Aron,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Graham,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Spangler,

Benchoff,	Heffernan,	Perry,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Hollern,	Powell,	Stern,
Boulton, H.,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Stofflet,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Sullivan,
Bovee,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Ulsh,
Boyd,	Jones,	Richards,	Urich,
Campbell, T.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Vogdes,
Clements,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	West,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Shattuck,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	McArdle,	Shunk,	Williams, J. P.,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Siggins,	Wood,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Simpson,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Sinclair,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,	Speaker.
Fretz,	Mearkle,		

So the question was determined in the affirmative and the committee discharged from further consideration of the bill.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both Houses of the General Assembly, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 1,

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor.

Senate Bill No. 18,

A Supplement to an act entitled "An act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement.

Senate Bill No. 89,

An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State hghways and State-aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto.

Whereupon,
The Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

SENATE MESSAGE

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, February 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday evening, February twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.
On the question,
Will the House concur in the resolution?
It was concurred in.
Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

In the Senate, February 19, 1917.

Whereas, There is now pending in the Congress of the United States Senate Bill No. 392, introduced by Hon. Charles E. Townsend, known as the Civil War volunteer retired list bill to authorize placing thereon, with retired pay, certain surviving officers who served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States in the Civil War; and

Whereas, The committee on Military Affairs have reported the same to the Senate with amendments and as thus amended, the committee recommended that the bill do pass; and

Whereas, The provisions of said bill are as pledged by Congress and President Lincoln at the opening of the Civil War to the several States and to the volunteers furnished by them; and

Whereas, The present policy of the government is to retire all officers of the Regular Army and Navy at three-fourths pay for life at ages less than any of those who will receive the recognition accorded by the above contemplated act; and

Whereas, Full retired pay for life to all survivors of the Revolution War, the War of eighteen hundred and twelve, and Indian Wars in accordance with rank has been granted and furnishes a commanding precedent; and

Whereas, Public sentiment of the Nation is shown by the unanimous action of the legislatures of thirteen states, speaking for approximately sixty millions of our people, recommending the enactment of such a measure; therefore be it

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress and the entire Congress of the United States of America be, and they are hereby, memorialized and requested that said bill, known as the volunteer retired bill, which will give Civil War volunteer retired officers the same aid according to rank as that given to the retired officers of the regular army, be speedily taken up and put upon its final passage and be it further

Resolved, That the chief clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this memorial to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the National Congress and to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.
On the question,
Will the House Concur in the resolution?
It was concurred in.
Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 54:

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title by striking out in next to the last line, after the word "provisional" the word "bridgade" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "brigade."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 4, by striking out after the words "sum of" the words "thirty-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-seven."

Line 5, by inserting after the word "thousand" the words "five hundred dollars ($37,500)" and striking out "dollars ($35,000)."

On the question,
Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—179.

Aron,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milner,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stites,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Helt,	Neary,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hess,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Canon,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Urich,
Christman,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rich,	Walter,
Crosby,	Jones,	Richards,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wells,
Curry,	Laucks,	Robertson,	West,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Ross,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McKay,	Shunk,	
Fackler,	McKinney,	Siggins,	
Flynn,	McNichol,	Simpson,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—165.

Aron,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Black,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Stites,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Neary,	Strauss,
Christman,	Horne,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hough,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Pickering,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jack,	Powell,	Walker,
Cox,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Leary,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wood,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Drake,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Eby,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,	Speaker.

NAYS—2.

Showalter, Dell,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 267, as follows:

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Dimini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the bural of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial-ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding fifty ($50.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial-ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding seventy-five ($75.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged

soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existing or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation

Section 2 That section three of said act which reads as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the said sum of fifty ($50.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn" is hereby amended to read as follows

"Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the said sum of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Aron,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Sones,
Benninger,	Haight,	Milner,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Hess,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stern,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hollern,	Perry,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Horne,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hough,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Clements,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Cook,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Walker,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Walter,
Curry,	Leary,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rogers,	West,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Drake,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McKay,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Siggins,	

NAYS—2.

Chestnut,	Bell,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER called the attention of the members of the House to Rule No. 56, which reads as follows:

"No member shall be permitted to record his vote who neglects to vote when his name is first called by the Clerk."

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

An said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—174.

Aron,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Black,	Haight,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Stites,
Canon,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Clements,	Horne,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Conner,	Hough,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Howarth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Wagner,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Walter,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Dean,	Leary,	Robertson,	West,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Flynn,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading an consideration of House Bill No. 217, as follows:

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the

twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth' by providing time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements" as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements" by providing that subject to certain restrictions the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county borough township school district or poor district entitled to the tax

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nine of this act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements" as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements" which as amended reads as follows

"Section 9 The collector of taxes shall collect the taxes charged in said duplicates and pay over the same to the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto after deducting his commission for the collection thereof Such commission shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective (boroughs or townships) and shall not exceed five per centum of the amount collected All taxes collected within the ninety days as provided in this act shall be paid over as aforesaid within fifteen days after the expiration of said ninety days and all taxes thereafter collected during his term of office shall be paid over as aforesaid at regular intervals of one month and a complete settlement of all taxes collected shall be made by the collector of taxes with the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office" is hereby further amended so as to read

Section 9 The collector of taxes shall collect the taxes charged in said duplicates and pay over the same to the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto after deducting his commission for the collection thereof Such commission shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county borough township school district or poor district entitled to such tax and shall not exceed five per centum of the amount collected All taxes collected within the ninety days as provided in this act shall be paid over as aforesaid within fifteen days after the expiration of said ninety days and all taxes thereafter collected during his term of office shall be paid over as aforesaid at regular intervals of one month and a complete settlement of all taxes collected shall be made by the collector of taxes with the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, there have been so many inquiries of me this morning as to the exact purpose of this bill that perhaps it would be well if I were to call your attention to exactly what is intended to be done. The act of 1885 provided for the election of a tax collector in each of the several boroughs and townships of this Commonweath. That is a general law. By that act of 1885 it was made the duty of the county authorities, school poor and road authorities, to place their duplicates with this tax collector. The act of 1885 also fixed the compensation at a definite basis. It provided that the tax collector should receive two per cent. upon all taxes upon which a rebate was allowed, and five per cent. on all taxes collected to which a penalty was attached. This act was amended by the act of 1913, which changed the basis of the compensation by the fixed compensation and providing in its stead that the tax collector should receive such compensation as should be fixed by the boroughs and townships. This did not cover the county duplicates or school duplicates, and it is to correct this error that I have introduced this act at this time. The only change in the act is the eliminating of the words "boroughs and townships," and inserting in place the words "county, borough, township, school district or poor district," so that each authority which receives the taxes will have the power to fix the rate of compensation which the tax collector shall receive for collecting the taxes in that particular duplicate.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Erdman,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Baker,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Milner,	Somerman,
Black,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Rich,	Walker,
Curry,	Jones,	Richards,	Weimer,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lohr,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 285, as follows:

An Act relating to and regulating the employment of persons in compressed air work

DEFINITIONS

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "pressure" when used in this act means "gauge pressure in pounds per square inch"

The term "employer" when used in this act includes individuals co-partnerships associations and corporations

SAFETY OF EMPLOYES

Section 2 Every tunnel caisson compartment or place to which this act applies shall be so constructed equipped arranged operated and conducted as to provide such protection to the lives health and safety of all persons employed therein as the nature of the employment will reasonably permit

EQUIPMENT FOR WORK IN COMPRESSED AIR

Section 3 Every employer carrying on any work in the prosecution of which persons are employed in compressed air shall

(1) Provide and install gauges in each tunnel for showing the air pressure to which the persons so employed therein are subjected Such gauges shall be accessible at all times during working hours to all employes in the tunnels

(2) Provide and attach gauges to each caisson for showing the air pressure to which the persons so employed therein are subjected and employ a competent person who may be the lock tender to take charge of such gauges and of the instruments required under subdivision three of this section The person so employed shall not be permitted to work more than eight hours in any twenty-four hours

(3) Provide and attach an air gauge and a time piece to each air lock Such gauge and time piece shall be accessible to the lock tender at all times

(4) Keep at least two air pipes or lines connected with each tunnel caisson compartment or place in which persons are so employed

(5) Provide a suitable iron ladder for the entire length of every shaft used in connection with such work

(6) Keep every passageway used in connection with such work clear and properly lighted

(7) Provide sufficient electric lights for all lighting purposes and provide a wire for lighting the shaft which wire shall be separated from the wire used for lighting the place where the employes are at work in compressed air all electric wires shall be properly insulated

(8) Provide for the use of all persons so employed dressing rooms which shall be kept open and accessible during working hours and during the intervals between working periods and also a separate room for drying clothes The dressing rooms shall contain benches and individual lockers shower baths with hot and cold water and sanitary water closets and shall be kept properly heated lighted and ventilated

(9) If the maximum air pressure in such work exceeds seventeen pounds provide and maintain at least one double compartment hospital lock such lock shall be at least six feet high inside measurement and be suitably floored it shall be equipped with inside and outside air gauges and time pieces and a telephone with proper conncetions and shall contain benches and proper surgical and medical equipment it shall be properly heated lighted and ventilated

SUSPENSION OF CAISSON

Section 4 No caissons in which persons are employed in compressed air shall while work is in progress therein be suspended or hung so that the bottom of the excavation is more than four feet below the cutting edge of the caisson

INSPECTION

Section 5 Every employer carrying on any work in the prosecution of which persons are employed in compressed air shall cause all engines boilers steam pipes steam gauges drills caissons air pipes air gauges air locks dynamos electric wiring signal apparatus brakes buckets hoists cables chains ropes ladders ways tracks sides roofs timbers supports and all other equipment apparatus and appliances used in connection with such work to be inspected at least once every working day by a competent person especially designated for that purpose and if any defect in such equipment apparatus or appliances is found a report thereof in writing shall forthwith be made by the inspector to the employer and the defect shall be immediately repaired

MEDICAL ATTENDANTS AND NURSES

Section 6 Every employer carrying on any work in the prosecution of which persons are employed in compressed air shall

(1) Employ one or more licensed physicians as medical officers who shall be present to render medical assistance at all necessary times at the plaec where such work is in progress and who shall perform such other duties as are imposed on them by this act

(2) If the maximum air pressure in such work exceeds seventeen pounds employ one or more registered nurses or one or more competent persons which persons shall be selected by the medical officer and be certified by him to be competent by actual experience to handle cases of compressed air illness The nurses or persons so employed shall have charge of the hospital lock provided for in this act and may also have other duties of a clerical nature exclusive of timekeeping such as will not require their presence elsewhere than at the hospital lock and such as they may leave at any time their service at the lock is necessary

EMPLOYMENT OF CERTAIN PERSONS PROHIBITED

Section 7 No person known to be addicted to the excessive use of intoxicants shall be employed or permitted to work in compressed air

PHYSICAL EXAMINERS

Section 8 (1) No person shall be employed or permitted to work in compressed air until he has been examined by the medical officer and found to be physically qualified therefor

(2) No person who has not previously worked in compressed air shall during the first twenty-four hours of his employment be permitted to work therein longer than one working period as provided in section ten and he shall not be permitted to resume such work if the air pressure exceeds fifteen pounds until he has been re-examined by the medical officer and found to be physically qualified therefor

(3) No person who is employed in compressed air but who has been absent therefrom for ten or more consecutive days for any cause shall be permitted to resume such work until he has been re-examined by the medical officer and found to be physically qualified therefor

(4 No person who has been employed regularly in compressed air for three months shall be permitted to continue such work until he has been re-examined by the medical officer and found to be physically qualified therefor

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS.

Section 9 The medical officer shall keep a record of all physical examinations made in accord with section eight which record shall be kept at the place where the work is in progress and shall contain the name age address and full description of each person examined the date on which each examination was made and the physical condition on that date of the person examined and the total time such person has worked in compressed air including time in previous employments The employer shall also be responsible for the observance of this section

HOURS OF LABOR

Section 10 When the air pressure in any tunnel caisson compartment or place in which persons are employed exceeds normal but does not exceed fifty pounds the maximum number of hours which in any twenty-four hours a person may be employed or permitted to work or remain therein shall be as hereinafter stated In every case the maximum number of hours shall be divided into two working periods of equal length and the minimum time interval which shall elapse between such working periods shall be as hereafter stated

When the air pressure exceeds normal but does not exceed twenty-one pounds number of hours in twenty-four eight interval between working periods thirty minutes

When the air pressure exceeds twenty-one but does not exceed thirty pounds number of hours in twenty-four six interval between working periods one hour

When the air pressure exceeds thirty but does not exceed thirty-five pounds number of hours in twenty-four four interval between working periods two hours

When the air pressure exceeds thirty-five but does not exceed forty pounds number of hours in twenty-four three interval between periods three hours

When the air pressure exceeds forty but does not exceed forty-five pounds number of hours in twenty-four two interval between working periods four hours

When the air pressure exceeds forty-five but does not exceed fifty pounds number of hours in twenty-four one and one-half interval between working periods five hours

Except in cases of emergency no person shall be employed or permitted to work or remain in any tunnel caisson compartment or place where air pressure exceeds fifty pounds

RATE AND TIME OF DECOMPRESSION

Section 11 No person shall be permitted to pass from any tunnel caisson compartment or place where he has been employed in compressed air to atmosphere or normal pressure without passing through an intermediate lock or stage of decompression When the employe is passing from a tunnel to atmosphere of normal pressure the rate of decompression shall be three pounds every two minutes except when the air pressure in the tunnel exceeds thirty-six pounds in which case the rate of decompression shall be one pound every minute When the employe is passing from a caisson compartment or place to atmosphere of normal pressure the time of decompression shall be as follows

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds normal but does not exceed ten pounds time of decompression one minute

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds ten but does not exceed fifteen pounds time of decompression two minutes

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds fifteen but does not exceed twenty minutes time of decompression five minutes

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds twenty pounds but does not exceed twenty-five pounds time of decompression ten minutes

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds twenty-five pounds but does not exceed thirty pounds time of decompression twelve minutes

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds thirty but does not exceed thirty-six pounds time of decompression fifteen minutes

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds thirty-six but does not exceed forty pounds time of decompression twenty minutes

When the pressure in a caisson compartment or place exceeds forty but does not exceed fifty pounds time of decompression twenty-five minutes

ENFORCEMENT

Section 12 The Commissioner of Labor and Industry shall enforce this act In enforcing this act any employe or agent of the Department of Labor and Industry specially authorized in writing may at any time enter any

place of employment covered by this act for purposes of inspection It shall be unlawful to hinder or prevent such employe or agent in the performance of his duties under this act

PENALTIES

Section 13 Every person who directly or indirectly violates or fails to comply with any provisions of this act is liable to a penalty of fifty dollars for the first offence one hundred dollars for the second offence and three hundred dollars for the third and each subsequent offence Such penalties shall be recovered as debts of like amount are recoverable in action to be brought for the use of the Commonwealth by or under the direction of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry

TIME OF TAKING EFFECT

Section 14 This act shall take effect on the first day of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 324, as follows:

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of twenty-five hundred ($2,500) dollars of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves is hereby transferred to the fund appropriated to said Department by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department of Forestry

Section 2 The Auditor General shall draw his warrant on the State Treasurer who shall make payment of the said amount accordingly

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 286, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead of Philadelphia an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch deceased

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of one hundred and two dollars and sixty-six cents ($102.66) is hereby specifically appropriated to Frederick H. Woodhead of the City of Philadelphia as personal representative of the estate of Christine Rauch deceased The said appropriation is made for the purpose of refunding the amount erroneously paid into the State Treasury being in excess of the amount actually due to the Commonwealth as collateral inheritance tax on the estate of the said Christine Rauch deceased

Section 2 The Auditor General is directed to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of the said Frederick H. Woodhead personal representative of said estate for the amount hereinbefore specified upon due proof that such money was as aforesaid erroneously and actually paid into the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 366, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company Edward L Keane Secretary of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Comissioner

Whereas On June fifteen one thousand nine hundred and fifteen the Leroy Market Company Edward L Keane Secretary of Pittsburgh became possessed of the stock and fixtures of the Manhattan Market Company amongst which was a license certificate number twelve thousand eight hundred and three to sell oleomargarine and

Whereas Said company not knowing that said license to sell oleomargarine was transferrable procured from the Dairy and Food Commissioner a new license number fourteen thousand one hundred and sixty-two at a cost of fifty dollars to sell oleomargarine for said year of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Whereas The said Leroy Market Company was entitled to have said license purchased from said Manhattan Market Company transferred and there was no necessity for said Leroy Market Company to procure a new license for said year of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of fifty dollars is hereby specifically appropriated to the Leroy Market Company Edward L Keane Secretary of the City of Pittsburgh for the purpose of refunding monies erroneously paid for a license to sell oleomargarine to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and by him covered unto the State Treasury Said amount shall be paid on warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer on due proof that such money was as aforesaid erroneously actually paid into the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 349, as follows:

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal for the payment of the salary of the first second third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five deputy state fire marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto for the services of clerks for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson for the payment of costs and witness fees the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same That the sum of twenty-four hundred seventy-three dollars and eighteen cents ($2,473.18) of the fund appropriated to the State Fire Marshal for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal the sum of nine thousand six hundred and twenty dollars and ninety-seven cents ($9,620.97) of the fund appropriated for the payment of the salary of the first second third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals and the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and five dollars and eighty-five cents ($7,905.85) of the fund appropriated for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five deputy state fire marshals which said amounts are parts of funds appropriated by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen are hereby transferred to a fund for the payment of the contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto for the services of clerks for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson for the payment of costs and witness fees the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal

Section 2 The Auditor General shall draw his warrant on the State Treasurer who shall make payment of said amounts accordingly

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

REPORT FROM COMMISSIONER OF FISHERIES.

Mr. BOVEE. Mr. Speaker, I move at this time to call up postponed report of Commissioner of Fisheries made in accordance with the provisions of a resolution passed in the House of Representatives the twenty-ninth day of January, A. D. 1917, calling for certain information relative to the installation of an adequate fishway in the dam erected across the Susquehanna River at Holtwood and place report in the hands of the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives for examination by the members of the House.

Mr. SHUNK. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The report will be noted in the Journal, printed in the Appendix of the Journal, and the exhibits will be placed on file with the Chief Clerk of the House.

(For report see appendix.)

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, February 20, 1917.

Whereas, The Federal government has already imposed taxes upon income, upon inheritance and upon the capital stock of corporations, all of which sources of revenue have heretofore been relied upon by the States for their income, and

Whereas, The further extension by the Federal government of the plan of raising its revenue by taxes upon sources which the several States have heretofore relied upon for their revenues, constitutes a serious menace to the fiscal plans of the States, and

Whereas, It appears to be entirely possible for the Federal government to secure adequate funds for its legitimate needs through a judicious system of indirect taxes to cover current expenses coupled with the funding of amounts to cover permanent improvements,

Resolved (if the House concur), That the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania expresses hereby its emphatic disapproval of the proposed plan to impose a Federal tax upon the profits of corporations, joint-stock companies, associations and partnerships or any other extensions by the Federal government of taxes upon sources heretofore relied upon by the States for their revenues, and the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this State are hereby requested to oppose any such contemplated action on the part of the Federal government.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives to the Ways and Means Committee of the National House of Representatives and to the Finance Committee of the United States Senate, and to each Senator and Representative in Congress from this State.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, I think this resolution is out of order. I don't think that it is a part of the duty of the members of this House to instruct the National Congress as to what it shall do or not do, but to attend to its own business. I think that the Congress of the United States will be fully able to take care of its own buisness and that we have enough to do if we do the work that is before us. We have been in session for about seven weeks and we all know what we have accomplished. We have not accomplished a great deal and there is a great deal of work before us. I feel that this is an unjust slap at the Congress of the United States and that we should vote this resolution down and attend to our own buisness here as members of this House. We have been elected to look after the affairs of Pennsylvania and not the affairs of the Government of the United States. I think that this is an unjust slap and should be voted down. I appeal to you as members of this House not to be so blind in your partisanship as to vote on a resolution of this kind.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate accordingly.

BILL SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 54:

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, President-elect of the United States, to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

Whereupon,

The Speaker in the presence of the House signed the same.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH OF FORMER MEMBER.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I wish to announce out of sadness of my heart, the decease of a former member of this House, during the sessions of 1903 and 1905; a man who was loved by all his constituents. I refer to John R. Murphy, and I ask that the House take proper action on his death.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn out of respect for a former member of this House, Mr. John R. Murphy.

The motion was agreed to and (at 12.35 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, February 21, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Thou who hast promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Thee, have mercy upon us; pardon and deliver us from all our sins; confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and make us hate all evil.

Defend us, Thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies that we, trusting in Thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries.

May we, as citizens, more fully learn of the counsel of the Father of our Country at this time.

We humbly beseech Thee for all sorts and conditions of men. Make known Thy saving help unto all nations.

May all Christian professors be led in the way of truth and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life; and, finally, after this life, to attain everlasting joy and felicity.

We pray Thee thus to bless and grant the prayer of Thy servants. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

THE SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Scott, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITION PROTESTING AGAINST COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING

The SPEAKER presented the petition of the Cigarmakers International Union of America, Local No. 236 of Reading, Pa., protesting against legislation providing for compulsory military or naval training.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH PRESENTS RETURNS OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR MEMBER.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, stated that in conformity with the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania he presented the election returns for the special election held in the Third Legislative District of Schuylkill County February 8th, 1917, for the office of Representative.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the returns be opened and read.

The motion was agreed to.

The said returns were opened and read as follows:

To the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania:

State of Pennsylvania,

County of Schuylkill,

I, James R. Walton, Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said county, do hereby certify that it appears from the returns of the special election held in said county on Thursday, February 8th, A. D. 1917, as computed in the presence of the Judges of the said Court by the proper officer and his sworn assistants, and duly certified and filed by said judges in my office, that the following is the number of votes cast for the several candidates for the office of Representative in the General Assembly, in the Third Representative District of said county.

DEMOCRATIC.

(Number of votes to be writen out.)

Insert figures.

John C. Breslin has One Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-one, ... (1461)

REPUBLICAN.

Robert J. Graeff had Two Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen, ... (2514)

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the said Court to be affixed this 10th day of February, A. D. 1917.

(Seal)

JAMES R. WALTON,
Prothonotary.

Whereupon, Robert J. Graeff was declared duly elected a member in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from the Third Legislative District of Schuylkill County.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBER.

The oath of office was then administered to Robert J. Graeff, member-elect of the House of Representatives from the Third Legislative District of Schuylkill County, by the Honorable S. J. M. McCarrell, Additional Law Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 648.

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewtih," as amended; and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 649.

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the Anthracite Coal Region, and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 650.

An Act making an appropriation for the education of blind children.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 651.

An Act making an appropriation to the City Hospital of DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 652.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lock Haven Hospital, of Lock Haven, Clinton County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RICHARDS. House Bill No. 653.

An Act making an appropriation to the Charity Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ISHERWOOD. House Bill No. 654.

An Act making an appropriation for the Kane Summit Hospital Association, of Kane, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ISHERWOOD. House Bill No. 655.

An Act to further amend part of section four of an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand nine hundred six, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and to provide penalties for violation of its provisions" as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. MARVIN. House Bill No. 656.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for injured Persons of the Bituminous and Semi-Bituminous Coal Regions of Pennsylvania located at Blossburg, Pa.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GANS (by request). House Bill No. 657.

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. LUPPERT. House Bill No. 658.

An Act making an appropriation to the Williamsport Hospital, of the City of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 659.

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending weighting or other slot machines or devices; imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; providing for the confiscation of certain machines; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. McKAY. House Bill No. 660.

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BIDELSPACHER. House Bill No. 661.

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Mission, of the City of Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 662.

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to make, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone, or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock, approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose, constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying, or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a geenral manufacturing business,"' approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing, or sale of petroleum and petroleum products," by extending the same to corporations incorporated for the manufacture of leather or articles containing leather.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 663.

An Act to protect life and property in cities of the first, second and third class by requiring municipal inspection of steam and hot water installations, and providing for the examination, licensure and registration of persons, firms or corporations engaged or engaging in the business, or work of steam and hot water fitting; and prescribing certain rules, regulations and requirements for the same, and imposing fines, penalties and forfeitures for violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. URICH. House Bill No. 664.

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to tax traction-engines and providing that the same shall be assessed by the several assessors of the counties of this Commonmealth in the same manner as other articles of personal estate liable for taxation are assessed."

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BIDELSPACHER. House Bill No. 665.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home of the Friendless, of the City of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 666.

An Act to prescribe the conditions under which public or private vaults, crypts or mausoleums for the interment of human bodies may be constructed and maintained.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BIDELSPACHER. House Bill No. 667.

An Act making an appropriation to the Aged Colored Women's Home, at Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 668.

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Luke's Homeopathic Hospital, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 669.

An Act making an appropriation to the Ellwood City Hospital, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 670.

An Act providing that any person, firm or corporation operating a street passenger car upon the public streets and highways of this Commonwealth shall have the said street cars when in use equipped with air-brake attachments and automatic air-couplers and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. LUPPERT. House Bill No. 671.

An Act making an appropriation to the Boy's Industrial Home, at Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 672.

An Act making it compulsory on street and electric railway corporations to maintain a certain temperature in their cars and fixing a penalty for violation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. LUPPERT. House Bill No. 673.

An Act making an appropriation to the Williamsport Training Home for Girls, at Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. House Bill No. 680.

An Act repealing an act approved the first day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act imposing a State tax on anthracite coal; providing for the assessment and collection of the said tax annually, and dedicating the fund received from said tax, and appropriating fifty per centum of the same to the construction, maintenance, improvement and repair of State highways, and the remaining fifty per centum to the several cities, boroughs and townships from which the said tax is derived; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ARON. House Bill No. 681.

An Act directing railroad companies to make a measurement of their lines of railroad; conferring powers and duties upon the Public Service Commission; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 682.

An Act concerning townships, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 683.

An Act to regulate cold storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violations of the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 684.

An Act creating a Bureau of Township Highways in the State Highway Department; conferring powers and imposing duties upon officers of the State Highway Department, requiring certain duties of clerks of the courts of quarter sessions, and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 685.

An Act to amend and revise an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein, and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen, enlarging, changing, modifying, and defining certain of the powers of cities of the third class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 686.

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act providing for the selection and purchase, or the appropriation from the State Forest Reserves, of a tract of land and the erection thereon of buildings for the Western Penitentiary, making an appropriation therefor, authorizing the removal thereto of the inmates of the said penitentiary; and directing the sale of the site now occupied by the said penitentiary and buildings and materials thereon," approved the thirtieth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, making an additional appropriation for erection, construction and equipment.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BECHTOLD. House Bill No. 687.

An Act to further amend section three of an act approved the twentieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five), entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 688.

An Act relating to and regulating the operation and inspection of quarries; imposing certain powers and duties upon the Department of Mines; and providing penalties for the violations of the provisions thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 689.

An Act regulating the speed of power driven vehicles run on or over the public bridges of this Commonwealth, and providing the punishment for violations thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 690.

An Act making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act applicable to all counties of this Commonwealth, to provide monthly payments, as approved by the trustees, to indigent, widowed, or abandoned mothers, for partial support of their children in their own homes. The manner of appointment of the trustees; the administration of the trust; amount of appropriations, proportioning appropriations co-ordinate appropriations; amounts to be paid, form of records, eligibility, penalties and reports, as set forth," and the amendments thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 691.

Regulating the practice of drugless therapeutics; defining the same; creating a Board of Licensure therefor, and means and methods whereby the right to practice drugless therapeutics in any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom; providing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 692.

An Act providing that public highways improved by the county commissioners of any county, and made a part of any State route, can only be taken over by the State Highway Commissioner upon the written request of the said county commissioner.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 693.

An Act making an appropriation to the Eastern State Penitentiary at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McPEAKE. House Bill No. 694.

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four), entitled "An Act providing for the original location, laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of this Commonwealth, and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein; making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads; authorizing the relocation, opening, straightening, widening, extension and alteration of the same, and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor, and the payment of damages resulting from such taking, and the manner in which such damages may be determined; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough, and apportioning the cost of such improvement; and authorizing the vacation of any county

road," authorizing boroughs, towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 695.

An Act providing that any county, borough or township bridge crossed by any State route, State highway, or State-aid highway shall become a part of said State route, State highway or State-aid highway, and shall be constructed or reconstructed and repaired and maintained as such.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. McPEAKE. House Bill No. 696.

An Act amending an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted, and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary, approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three," so that said bridges may be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without advertising for bids, if done under the supervision of the county commissioners.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 697.

An Act making an appropriation to the Erie Infants' Home and Hospital, at Erie, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 698.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Vincent's Hospital Association, of the City of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 699.

An Act making an appropriation for the Erie Home for the Freindless of the City of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 700.

An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the Port of Erie by constructing a modern commercial steamboat landing or wharf upon State lands within the Harbor of Erie; authorizing the appointment of a commission to construct same, and providing for regulating the manner which said wharf shall be used by the public and kept in repair.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 701.

An Act making an appropriation to the Renovo Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MURDOCH. House Bill No. 702.

An Act making an appropriation to the Braddock General Hospital, of Braddock, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MICHEL. House Bill No. 703.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Home for the Friendless, situated in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 704.

An Act making an appropriation to the New Castle Hospital, New Castle, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 705.

An Act amending sections one, three and twelve of an act entitled "An Act providing for the original location, laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of this Commonwealth, and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein; making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways, county roads, authorizing the re-location, opening, straightening, widening, extension, and alteration of the same, and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor, and the payment of damages resulting from such taking, and the manner in which such damages may be determined providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining such roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough, and apportioning the cost of such improvement; and authorizing the vacation of any county road," approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 706.

An Act to repeal a portion of the twenty-fourth clause of section one of the act of May thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eighty-five), entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government, repair of the canals and railroads of the State, and other claims upon the Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BALDRIDGE. House Bill No. 707.

An Act making an appropriation to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Home, at Hawkins Station, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 708.

An Act making an appropriation to the Chambersburg Hospital, of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 709.

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Aid Society, of Franklin County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CORBIN. House Bill No. 710.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lewistown Hospital, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 711.

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth, providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highways, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs

to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 712.

An Act making an appropriation to the Colored Women's Relief Association of Western Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 713.

An Act requiring the warden of either penitentiary, and the wardens of jails and prisons to furnish convicts for certain work on roads and highways, upon written request of county commissioners, and providing for payment of expenses by the respective counties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 714.

An Act to protect the public health by prohibiting the manufacturing, selling, giving, furnishing or using, or offering to sell, give or furnish, of cigarettes or cigarette paper and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. LEARY. House Bill No. 715.

An Act making an appropriation to the Hamot Hospital Association, of the City of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LEARY. House Bill No. 716.

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Home, of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BLACK. House Bill No. 717.

An Act to amend section two of the act, approved the nineteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to preserve the purity of elections by declaring drunkenness on the part of election officers and assessors of poll taxes to be a misdemeanor, and by requiring elections to be held in rooms in which liquor is not sold, so far as possible," by absolutely prohibiting the holding of elections in rooms in which liquor is sold.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 718.

An Act to repeal section five hundred and sixty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue, and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. MARVIN. House Bill No. 719.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Tioga and Bradford.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. MARVIN. House Bill No. 720.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Tioga.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. MARVIN. House Bill No. 721.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Tioga and Lycoming.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 722.

A further supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to accept the grant of public lands by the United States for the endowment of agricultural colleges," approved April first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and making appropriations for carrying the same into effect.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 23 (House Bill 674):

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for and taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 74 (House Bill No. 675):

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Senate Bill No. 63 (House Bill No. 676):

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and seven) entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith and modifying existing legislation which provided for revenue for State purposes."

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill No. 75 (House Bill No. 677):

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight), entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing for the violation of this act."

Which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senate Bill No. 186 (House Bill No. 678):

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire department in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 194 (House Bill No. 679):

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, in accordance with the instructions of the House, the Committee on Judiciary Special returns House Bill No. 3, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Ordered, To be placed on the Calendar.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HEYBURN, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 674 (Senate Bill No. 23), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, and providing that existing contracts are not effected by provisions of this act," making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 511 (Senate Bill No. 155), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages and so forth.

Mr. BIDELSPACHER, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 392, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth,' approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five; authorizing and establishing a Board of Recreation, for the creation, organization, care, management, conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class, except as herein provided," approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and thirty-nine), by changing the number of the members of the Board of Recreation, their length of term and the officers to be elected.

Mr. LAULER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 498, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen, in cities of the second class, by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

Mr. McCAIG, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 260, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of, and contract for, supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Mr. LEARY, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported as committed House Bill No. 618, entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth, on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. EBY, from the Committee on Centennial Affairs, reported as amended House Bill No. 420, entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a Commission of Centennial Affairs to aid in celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler, Butler County; and making an appropriation.

Mr. MITCHELL, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as amended House Bill No. 111, entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

Mr. BLACK, from the Committee on Constitutional Reform, reported as committed House Bill No. 374, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. CROSBY, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act, entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over, prescribing his duties, and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties," approved the twenty-fourth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 266, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act, approved the fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register, clerks and employes in the office of Register of Wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register of wills of said counties.

Mr. HEYBURN, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 497 (Senate Bill No. 37), entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the 24th day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen), entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract, to repair, build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars," by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 432, entitled

An Act to amend Section 1 of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants, advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, shall be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine, so as to cause advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, to be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, or more, instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants, as required by the first act.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 327 (Senate Bill No. 5), entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties, and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 329 (Senate Bill No. 6), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section first of the act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties cotaining a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand and more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the eighth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 330 (Senate Bill No. 10), entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State Highways and State-aid highways, or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 331 (Senate Bill No. 12), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen, and providing penalties."

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand, under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

Mr. MILLIRON, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads; and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 516, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control, and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees, commonly called the chestnut-tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof; and making an appropriation therefore," and the amendment to the same, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirteen).

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 517, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 518, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 519, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 520, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 521, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 522, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to canal companies.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 523, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 524, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 526, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 527, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 528, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 529, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts and justices of record and not of record.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 530, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to estates of decedents.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 531, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (P. L. 17), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens, and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to dentistry.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 533, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to domestic animals.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 534, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 539, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly delating to fences.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to municipalities.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 542, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 544, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 545, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 546, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 547, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 548, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 549, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 550, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 551, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 552, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 553, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to labor.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 554, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 555, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 556, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 557, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens.

Mr. BEYER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 558, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 559, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 560, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 561, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen), entitled "A Supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act to prevent the destruction of timber,' and supplementary to the act, entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods,' passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue so derived, for school and road purposes." in so far as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 563, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing a penalty for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads, of trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to trade regulations.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 568, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 569, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to servants.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 570, entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (P. L. 454), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin or Adams Counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 571, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to oaths and affirmations.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 574, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 575, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public accounts.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public offenders and employes.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 577, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 578, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 579, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 580, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

Mr. BEYER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 582, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. REITZEL asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hess.

Mr. BOUTON asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dale from the nineteenth instant on account of sickness.

Mr. McCURDY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dell.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Mr. PHILLIPS offered the following motion which was twice read:

Moved by Honorable Joseph E. Phillips, seconded by Honorable John S. Eby, that as an expression of our appreciation to the Honorable J. Louis Breitinger for the courtesy extended by him to the members of the House February 20, 1917, that a vote of thanks be now extended to him and that the Clerk be instructed to send him a copy of this action.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I just desire to say a word on that motion. I want to express my feelings on the proposition. I think it was a matter of cheap graft to accept those tickets and for anybody to offer them. I don't care whether the motion is passed or not.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 265, as follows:

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby granted to the purchase by the government of the United States of certain tracts of land in all approximately twenty-eight acres in extent adjoining the Frankford Arsenal in the City and County of Philadelphia for an addition to the said arsenal said tracts of land being more particularly described as follows

One beginning at a point in the middle of Tacony street corner of land of Kensington and Tacony railroad at the distance of two hundred and two feet eight inches northeast from the northeast line of Sanger street Thence extending south-eastwardly along said land on a line curving toward the right with a radius of fourteen hundred and eighteen feet a distance of one hundred and thirty-two feet and three-eighths of an inch to a point thence still along said land the following three courses and distances (1) South thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East thirteen hundred and twenty-seven feet nine and one-fourth inches to a point (2) On a line curving toward the right with a radius of four hundred and sixty-three feet a distance of four hundred and ninety-one feet nine and one-half inches and (3) South twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West three hundred and twenty-six feet six inches to a corner in the lines of land of the said railroad and the United States of America "Frankford Arsenal" thence along the said last mentioned land the following three courses and distances North thirty-nine degrees fifty-seven minutes fifty-seven seconds West nine hundred and six feet and two and three-eighths inches to a point north twenty-five degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West four hundred and eighty-nine feet and eleven and seven-eighth inches to a point and north twenty-eight degrees fifty-nine minutes fifty-seven seconds West six hundred and twenty-five feet eight and one-eighth inches to the said middle line of Tacony street and thence along the same North fifty-four degrees twenty-seven minutes three seconds East four hundred and eighty-seven feet and nine inches to the place of beginning containing twenty-three acres and seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-five ten thousandths of an acre more or less

One other beginning at a point on the southeasterly line of the said Kensington and Tacony railroad and a point on the southwesterly line of land now or late of Edwin H. Fitler thence by land of said Edwin H. Fitler south thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds east one hundred and ninety-five feet nine and five-eighths inches to a point in the Bulkhead line of the River Delaware approved by the War Department of the said United States of America on the fourth day of September one thousand nine hundred and eight thence by said line south thirty-four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds west five hundred and forty-one feet and one-eighth of an inch to a point thence north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds west forty feet five and seven-eighths inches to a point a corner of land of the said United States of America and thence north thirty-nine degrees fifty seven minutes fifty-seven seconds west sixty-three feet five and one-fourth inches to a point in the said southeasterly line of said Kensington and Tacony railroad and thence along the same north twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds East six hundred and twenty-eight feet ten and seven-eighths inches to place of beginning containing one acre and eight thousand six hundred and thirty ten-thousandths of an acre of land

And the other of them beginning at a point in said bulkhead line first above mentioned and the southwesterly line of land of the said Edwin H. Fitler Thence south thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East three hundred and four feet five and one-eighth inches to a point in the pierhead line approved by the said War Department on the date aforesaid thence along the same south thirty-four degrees four minutes forty-four seconds West two hundred and sixty-two feet nine and three-eighths inches to a point thence still along said pierhead line north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds West three hundred and thirty-three feet four and one-fourth inches to a point in the said bulkhead line and thence along the same North four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds East five hundred and forty-one feet and one-eighth of an inch to the place of beginning containing two acres and six thousand two hundred and eighty ten-thousandths of an acre more or less

Section 2 Exclusive jurisdiction over the lands so purchased is hereby ceded to the United States by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and said lands shall be exempt from the payment of all taxes State and local

Provided That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall retain a concurrent jurisdiction with the United States over the lands so acquired by the United States for the purpose of serving all civil processes and Provided further That such criminal process as may issue under the authority of the Commonwealth against any person or persons charged with crimes committed without the area so acquired may be executed therein in the same manner as though this cession had not been granted

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the sponsor of this bill.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the sponsor of the bill, I move that it be postponed for the present.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the employment of persons in compressed air work.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—136.

Aron,	Erdman,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Fackler,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	Mervine,	Sones,
Barner,	Fowler,	Michel,	Spangler,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Stadtlander,
Bell,	Fretz,	Miller, C. G.,	Steedle,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Milner,	Sterling,
Benninger,	Glass,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Bidelspacher,	Golder,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Black,	Goodnough,	Murdoch,	Stoffiet,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodwin,	Murphy,	Strauss,
Bovee,	Gormley,	Neary,	Swartz,
Boyd,	Graeff,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Brady,	Haight,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Christman,	Horne,	Rich,	Wallace,
Clements,	Hough,	Ringler,	Walter,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cook,	Jack,	Ross,	Wells,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Curry,	Lewis,	Sarig,	Wood,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Scott,	Wylie,
Dean,	Marvin,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCollough,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Simpson,	
Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Sinclair,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thonsand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the sponsor of this bill explain the intent of it.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, this, of course, is a bill that comes from the Appropriation Committee, and as Mr. Woodward is Chairman of the Appropriation Committee I feel that he could better explain it than the sponsor. It was presented at the instance and request of the Chairman, and I would ask that Mr. Woodward explain it.

Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. Speaker, this bill is for the purpose of transferring from one fund in the Forestry Department to another. One item in their bill two years ago ran short and there is a slight amount in excess of the amount necessary to carry on the work for the balance of the appropriation period in another; and this bill is simply a transfer of the money from one fund to another.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—127.

Aron,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Showalter,
Baldridge,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Barner,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Bell,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Benninger,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Black,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Gormley,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Graeff,	Mitchell,	Steedle,
Brady,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Stites,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Christman,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Walker,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Wallace,
Cox,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wells,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Curry,	Leary,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wood,
Dean,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Drake,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Scott,	Speaker.
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—1.

Benchoff,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. WHITAKER in the Chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—110.

Aron,	Erdman,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Barner,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Michel,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Steedle,
Black,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Strauss,
Bovee,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Swartz,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Brady,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Burnett,	Horne,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Campbell, T.,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Walker,
Chestnut,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Wallace,
Christman,	Jones,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Clements,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Wickman,
Coldsmith,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Williams, J. P.,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Wood,
Curry,	Lauler,	Ross,	Woodward,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Drake,	Mangan,	Scott,	Speaker.
Dunn,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Eby,	Maurer,	Shattuck,	
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Showalter,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward L. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—132.

Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Barner,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Benninger,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Golder,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boyd,	Haight,	Neary,	Stites,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Taylor,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jones,	Ringler,	Walker,
Corbin,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wells,
Cox,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Cummins,	Leary,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Curry,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drake,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Showalter,	
Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 349, entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—128.

Aron,	Fackler,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Shattuck,
Bechtold,	Fowler,	McCullough,	Showalter,
Benchoff,	Franklin,	McCurdy,	Shunk,
Benninger,	Fretz,	McKay,	Siggins,
Beyer,	Gans,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Bidelspacher,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Black,	Golder,	Mehring,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Haight,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sterling,
Campbell, T.,	Heffernan,	Milliron,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Helt,	Mitchell,	Stites,
Christman,	Heyburn,	Murdoch,	Strauss,
Clements,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Wells,
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Jack,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Jones,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Lanius,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Laucks,	Ross,	Wood,
Drake,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Eby,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	Mangan,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	Marvin,	Scott,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 319, as follows:

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of two thousand five hundred ($2,500) dollars of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines is hereby transferred to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses

Section 2 The Auditor General shall draw his warrants and the State Treasurer shall make payments of said amounts accordingly.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class, by authority of the court, to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation; and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 142, entitled

An Act providing for the examination licensure and registration of persons co-partnerships associations or corporations engaging in the business or work of electrical construction and any maintenance alterations or repairing in connection therewith in any buildings or structures in cities of the second and third class of this Commonwealth and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 270, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale, in certain cases; and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 199, entitled

An Act to amend section twelve of an act approved the eighteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred three) entitled "An Act to provide for the more effectual protection of the public health in the several municipalities of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 185, entitled

An Act, amending section six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts, instead of imposing sentences; the appointment of probation and parole officers, and the payment of their salaries and expenses; regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases, and providing for their release on parole; their conviction of crime during parole, and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole; and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries," approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven; in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third of the maximum sentence.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 141, entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten, and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven, one thousand two hundred and thirteen, and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 195, entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock;' approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose; constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity, or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,'" approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products;" extending the same to companies engaged in packing, manipulating, or manufacturing tobacco, or manufacturing cigars, cigarettes or other tobacco products.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

THANKING JUDGE M'CARRELL FOR ADMINISTERING OATH OF OFFICE TO MEMBER-ELECT.

Mr. BECHTOLD. Mr. Speaker, I move you that the members of the House of Representatives extend their thanks to the Honorable S. J. McCarrell, a judge of the Court of Dauphin County, for his services in administering the oath of office to the Honorable Robert J. Graeff, member-elect.

Mr. SWARTZ. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn until next Monday evening at 9 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to and (at 12.05 P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, February 26, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, February 26, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for all the blessings of life. We thank Thee for the great prosperity of our nation. In the midst of all our prosperity the pathetic appeal of poverty and want is staring us in the face. As the distinguished representatives of the people of this great Commonwealth we pray Thee to so guide this body that they may hear the cry of those who are making their silent and pathetic appeal. We pray that this body may distinguish themselves still more by recognizing that beautiful statement in the Scripture that tells the strong to bear the burdens of the weak. Guide us so that at all times we may live to Thy honor and glory and to the best good of our fellow-men. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BUCKMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Susquehanna, Mr. Jones, for the balance of the week.

Mr. BUCKMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Montgomery, Mr. Croft.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Greene, Mr. Stewart.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Northampton, Mr. Hackett.

Mr. JENKINS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. W. W. Smith.

Mr. MAGEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens.

Mr. CRAIG asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Erie, Mr. Nason.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid upon the table.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 54.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendment made by the Senate to House Bill No. 54, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 217 (Senate Bill No. 302), entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five," entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships in this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 259 (Senate Bill No. 303), entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 267 (Senate Bill No. 304), entitled

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 268 (Senate Bill No. 305), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 285 (Senate Bill No. 306), entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the employment of persons in compressed air work.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 286 (Senate Bill No. 307), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead of Philadelphia an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch deceased.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 324 (Senate Bill No. 308), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 349 (Senate Bill No. 309), entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal for the payment of the salary of the first second third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto for the services of clerks for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson for the payment of costs and witness fees the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 366 (Senate Bill No. 310), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company Edward L. Keane Secretary of a certain sum errouneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 54, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson President-elect of the United States to be held in the City of Washington District of Columbia March fifth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and Staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

COMMUNICATION FROM ENCAMPMENT NO. 73 UNION VETERAN LEGION FAVORING PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL NO. 419.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows and referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

Headquarters
Encampment No. 73, Union Veteran Legion
Eureka Hall, S. W. Cor. Eleventh Street and Girard Avenue
Philadelphia, Pa., February 22, 1917.

To President of the Senate,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Hon. Sir. At a meeting of Encampment No. 73, Union Veteran Legion, on February 21, 1917, the following resolution was unanimously adopted. That we favor House Bill No. 419, introduced by Mr. McCullough, pensioning Civil War Veterans and pray that the same may receive the favorable approval by the honorable body of Senators now in session.

That a copy of the same be sent to the Senate.

THOS. I. CHADWICK,
Adjutant.
Encampment No. 73, U. V. L.

(Seal)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss Helen M. McGinnis, Pittsburgh.
J. D. C. Miller, Pittsburgh.
W. A. Moyle, Pittsburgh.
Miss Vita C. Mueller, Pittsburgh.
John J. Sipple, Pittsburgh.

BERKS COUNTY.

Luther F. Gilbert, Boyertown.
William E. Sharman, Reading.

BLAIR COUNTY.

George M. Meyers, Bellwood.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

William S. Peloubet, Sayre.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Lewis P. Litzinger, Butler.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

W. L. Hibbs, Cresson.

CHESTER COUNTY.

W. C. Blittersdorf, Avondale.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

James W. Ruffner, Bigler Township.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Penrose Sonnett, Harrisburg.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

William C. C. Ball, Aldan.

ELK COUNTY.

Eugene P. McCarthy, Johnsonburg.

GREENE COUNTY.

W. R. Hoge, Waynesburg.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

J. L. Shaffer, Sykesville.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Florence Moore, Wilkes-Barre.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

Carl R. Tuller, Bradford.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Miss Susan M. Brooks, Philadelphia.
Rowland Coats, Philadelphia.
Edward H. Cobb, Philadelphia.
William F. Diener, Philadelphia.
Maurice Lichtman Philadelphia.
James C. Lynn, Philadelphia.
James H. Lyons, Philadelphia.
James A. McNelis, Philadelphia.
Joseph H. Muller, Philadelphia.
Miss M. Elva Neville, Philadelphia.
Benjamin H. Renshaw, Philadelphia.
Charles F. Schibener, Philadelphia.
Thomas H. Walters, Philadelphia.

TIOGA COUNTY.

E. A. Butler, Lawrenceville.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Alsup V. Tyler, Damascus Township.
S. Frank Cory, Honesdale.
Miss Florence A. Eldred, Honesdale.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

John W. Porter, Irwin.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Harry E. Carmack, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Neal J. McBride, Pittsburgh, February 27, 1917.
Walter K. Elder, Wilkinsburg, March 10, 1917.
Ernest C. Harper, Coraopolis, March 10, 1917.
Harry E. Holman, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
R. D. Jenkinson, Bellevue, March 10, 1917.
Fred C. MacConnell, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
C. O. Miller, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
W. D. Rankin, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
W. A. Strouss, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
George Vetter, Pittsburgh, March 10, 1917.
John W. Boggs, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Miss M. E. Conner, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
H. M. Keefer, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
C. W. Parker, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Miss Eleanor C. Shaughnessy, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Mrs. E. D. Whitman, Pittsburgh, March 11, 1917.
Vincenzo Deramo, Coraopolis, March 12, 1917.
P. R. Hilleman, Pittsburgh, March 14, 1917.
G. H. Oppenheim, Pittsburgh, March 17, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

G. H. Wallace, Beaver Falls, March 3, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

J. Fred Hartgen, Reading, March 13, 1917.
Roceo A. Frasso, Reading, March 17, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

W. Aubrey Merrick, Newtown, March 12, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Albert W. Stenger, Johnstown, March 10, 1917.
Michael Cosgrove, Gallitzin, March 11, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Clark Olds, Erie, Ferbuary 27, 1917.
Charles Hagenlocher, Erie, March 12, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Frank P. Cottom, Uniontown, March 10, 1917.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

J. B. Stewart, Brookville, March 10, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Max F. Henkelman, Scranton, March 10, 1917.
G. Frank Couch, Carbondale, March 11, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

J. W. Buch, Ephrata, March 10, 1917.
W. Hensel Simpson, Lancaster, March 10, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

John J. Kelley, Hazleton, February 27, 1917.
R. B. Alexander, Wilkes-Barre, March 3, 1917.
Max Freedman, Luzerne, March 10, 1917.
Miss Ida M. Thomas, Wilkes-Barre, March 10, 1917.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

Miss Pauline F. Farnsworth, Danville, March 10, 1917.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Jacob D. Speer, Easton, March 10, 1917.
Miss Nellie M. Ettwein, Bethlehem, March 11, 1917.
William Sinwell, South Bethlehem, March 11, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Leo I. Weintraub, Philadelphia, March 1, 1917.
B. W. Kraus, Philadelphia, March 3, 1917.
Walter C. Blakely, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Stillwell F. Corson, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Robert W. Kincade, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
George Koppenhoefer, Jr., Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Jos. Lieberman, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
E. W. Rubencame, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Miss Florence E. Thornton, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Milton Wolf, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
John F. Carson, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
William L. Hascher, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Miss Sara A. Herrman, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Miss Mae Hofmann, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
James H. Young, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
John B. Groves, Philadelphia, March 12, 1917.
Michael A. Maloney, Philadelphia, March 12, 1917.
Howard A. Wilson, Philadelphia, March 12, 1917.
Wm. F. Paddock, Philadelphia, March 17, 1917.

POTTER COUNTY.

William G. Kline, Galeton, February 27, 1917.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

E. E. Heckert, Hegins Township, March 11, 1917.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Miss Mary Jagger, Montrose, March 10, 1917.

TIOGA COUNTY.

Ray C. Longbothum, Mansfield, March 10, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Hugh A. Rogers, Washington, March 10, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

R. H. Bellman, New Kensington, February 27, 1917.
Chauncey S. Duvall, Monessen, March 10, 1917.
J. Q. Truxal, Greensburg, March 10, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Craig,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

RECALL OF NOMINATION.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: On January 29, 1917, I nominated for the advice and consent of the Senate, John F. McConnell, to be County Treasurer of Mercer County, until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice Uriah A. Hanna, deceased.

I respectfully advise the Senate that I do hereby recall the said nomination.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: On February 5, 1917, I nominated for the advice and consent of the Senate, D. Edward Long, of Chambersburg, to be Superintendent of the Department of Public Printing and Binding, for the term of four years, to compute from February 8, 1917, vice A. Nevin Pomeroy, resigned.

I respectfully advise the Senate that I do hereby recall the said nomination.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

VETO OF SENATE BILL NO. 1.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, Joint Resolution, No. 1, entitled "A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a Committee to investigate alleged mal-administration in public office and making an appropriation therefor."

This resolution has been freely discussed in the public press and by the members of your Honorable Body. The people are fairly conversant with its contents, its purpose and its origin. It has not been held to be in any important sense a measure in the interests of the people of Pennsylvania. It has no constructive purpose or aim. It is solely a partisan factional measure to give to an interested faction a powerful political club to compel its opponents, and indeed all independent citizens, to bow a subservient knee or suffer the consequences.

The Committee it creates would have full power to investigate all State, city, county, borough and township officials. It can even investigate individuals and could protect its political friends and menace its innocent political opponents. Such power should never be given anyone. It was never intended to be and cannot lawfuly be exercised by any legislative committee in a constitutional government. No essential good can flow from such a commission to the people of Pennsylvania.

There is no recognition of the rights under law of the parties it may select for investigation. They have no specification of charges. They are not advised of the source of the charges, nor the persons responsible for the same. They have no appeal from the rules of procedure that the Committee may formulate. They are, in fact, denied the fundamental rights which throughout the civilized world, in all courts of justice, are guaranteed to any and all persons.

The resolution would condone perjury, would invite irresponsible men to swear falsely against their fellows, would give opportunity for false statements with no opportunity to disprove the same, would at great cost to the citizens of this State, who are the least interested and most injured, conduct an investigation with public funds that are needed in many vastly more important services to our citizens. Moreover, the entire field of fact and the entire truth relative to the administration of the State's business can be known at any time by anybody without any expense whatever.

When this Joint Resolution was before your Honorable Body on January 29, 1917, I addressed a communication to you in which I specifically stated that "I court and invite the widest and fullest investigation of my official acts and of those of all associated with me in public service. I wish only that the investigation be so free, so fair, so impartial and so thorough as to establish definitely the truth or untruth of any charge that may be made," I submit that this Joint Resolution does not assure any such result.

This administration is confident that its acts when published will meet the hearty approval of all free, unbiased, fair citizens and we shall at any time furnish to you any and all information you may desire that will in any way make known to you and to the whole people the things we have done and shall continue to do to give to the people all facts relating to our public service. We are ready any moment in any fair way to co-operate to the full in the attainment of this end.

Factional strife works only harm. It can accomplish no essential good. Let the truth be known. Let the motives as well as the acts of men be fully revealed. Let the sense of justice, fair-play, and honor have full expression and the people will decide. That the outcome will develop the fact that this administration is giving itself steadily, honestly and earnestly to a clean and unselfish service to the whole people is my assurance and my conviction.

For these reasons this Joint Resolution is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

FOOD SUPPLY PROBLEM.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: My attention has been attracted to the food supply problem in this Commonwealth. In our great urban communities the demand for food has in some cases been accompanied with disturbance of the peace if not with violation of law. Many staple foods have reached a price so unusual and so excessive as to cause serious concern for our armies of toilers and their families. There is great unrest and a condition of serious portent in this situation. The people of Pennsylvania must have food and they must have it at a price within their resources.

It is held that there is a shortage of food. The reasons for this shortage are in general as advanced, a small crop and unusual exportation. It is held that there is no adequate transportation, due to congestion in traffic, from the centers of production to the great centers of consumption of food. It is held that markets are cornered, that food is unduly withheld for the purpose of still further advancing prices. In fact, all sorts of statements are made and the general effect is to cause unproven criticism to lie against one or another agency in interest.

Of the truth or untruth of these charges I am not advised. That the truth may be known and known at once I respectfully suggest that you formulate such directive action as will empower your executive to name a Committee of broad-minded, capable citizens, who, without cost to the Commonwealth, may be empowered to make full and thorough inquiry into the food supply problem of Pennsylvania and report within fifteen days to your honorable bodies upon the matter committed to them together with such recommendations as to them may be wise.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the communication just read be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 234 (House Bill No. 162), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 236 (House Bill No. 223), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County.

Mr. MAGEE, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 70, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 18th day of May, A. D. 1911, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," the amendments intending to prevent any alteration in the standard subjects of common school education or any lowering of the nature thereof.

Also from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act requiring borough councils, township commissioners and supervisors, and directors of school districts of the second, third and fourth classes to file the auditor's report in prothonotary's office; requiring county commissioners to furnish the prothonotary with a book for such purpose; and fixing the fees of the prothonotary.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Mines and mining, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 244, entitled

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that prosecutions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened; and providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of the violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act, any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations; and providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Mr. WHITTEN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of physical education and training in the public schools of the Commonwealth and creating the Bureau of Physical Education in the Department of Public Instruction to carry out the provisions hereof.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 274, the bill just reported, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 311, entitled

An Act to prevent discrimination at places of public accommodation, resort or amusement, and to prevent publication and distribution of discriminating matter and to punish the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 312, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercy Hospital of Altoona, Blair County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 313, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 314, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 11th day of April, 1913 (Pamphlet Laws 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof,' approved the 11th day of March, A. D. 1909; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation thereof," providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, co-partnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell, and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act amending sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, twelve and fifteen of an act, repealing section fourteen of said act, and supplementing said act, approved the third day of June, 1911 (Pamphlet Laws 658), entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal; defining his powers and duties; providing for his compensation, and the maintenance of his office; giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority, and to review his orders; and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire-waste;" changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention; providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention, and fixing their salaries, fees, powers and duties; authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives inflammable and combustible products and substances; authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in connection therewith, and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner

and officers under him, the power of police officers and constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants; and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fire; providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction, removal and repair of dangerous buildings, premises and property, and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases, from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority; requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 316, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health and the prevention of fraud and deception by regulating the storage and sale of cold storage foods; fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and providing for the enforcement thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 317, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs, towns and townships, held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class; and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 318, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 319, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Circle of Wilkes-Barre.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 320, entitled

An Act amending sections one, three, four, seven, ten, eleven and repealing section eight on an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city, school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the City Treasurer of each of said cities, by virtue of his office, shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation," approved the twentieth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. WEAVER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 321, entitled

An Act providing for the licensing and regulation of certain individuals and unincorporated associations engaged in the investment business; imposing powers and duties on the Commissioner of Banking; and fixing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. MILLER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 322, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act providing for the selection and purchase, or the appropriation from the State Forest Reserves, of a tract of land and the erection thereon of buildings for the Western Penitentiary, making an appropriation therefor, authorizing the removal thereto of the inmates of the said penitentiary; and directing the sale of the site now occupied by the said penitentiary and the buildings and materials thereon," approved the 30th day of March, A. D. 1911, making an additional appropriation for erection, construction and equipment.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 323, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania State College for educational extension work, and for maintaining a summer session for teachers.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Senate Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act relating to borough officers, employes, and contracts; and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions," extending the same to apply to cities of the third class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 325, entitled

An Act providing for the sale distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. CROW (at the request of Mr. Kline) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 326, entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Printing.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 327, entitled

A further supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to accept the grant of public lands by the United States for the endowment of agricultural colleges," approved April first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and making appropriations for carrying the same into effect.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 328, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Board of Education for the liquidation of certain mortgage indebtedness assumed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the purchase of certain State Normal Schools.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 329, entitled

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the owner or owners, lessee or lessees of lands, mills, quarries, coal lands, coal mines, iron ore mines, lime kilns, or other real estate in the vicinity of any railroad, canal or slack water navigation, or navigable river, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to lay out, build, construct, equip, and maintain aerial tramways, or systems of aerial transportation in, upon and over intervening lands, and prescribing the proceedings for exercising the rights granted by this Act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 330, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth by adding thereto sections four and five.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 331, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Sylvan Heights Home for Orphan Girls, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 332, entitled

An Act providing for the erection by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of a statue in memory of General John Grubb Parke, in the Vicksburg Military Park, at Vicksburg, Mississippi, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CRAIG read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 333, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the Police Department of cities of the third class; providing for and regulating examinations; the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department, and providing a method for fixing compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 334, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education; and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February twenty-third, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures;" and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 335, entitled

An Act to amend section 2034 of Article XX of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," approved the 18th day of May, 1911, by authorizing and empowering the State Board of Education to make such purchase and sales of real estate for Normal Schools purchased by the State.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 336, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Woman's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 337, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the American Hospital for Diseases of the Stomach, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 338, entitled

An Act to provide for the licensing, registering and regulating of all persons, institutions, corporations, associations or societies, who receive, board or keep children under the age of fourteen (14) years, in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth, giving to the Board of Health of said cities the right and power to adopt rules and regulations relative to the keeping of children, defining the term "person" as used in the act, and providing for the punishment of the superintendent, manager, person in charge, officers and directors of any institution, association or corporation, violating this act or the rules and regulations made thereunder by making the violation thereof a misdemeanor and prescribing the penalty therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 339, entitled

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes, school taxes, municipal claims and water rents in cities of the first class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 340, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Mary's Keller Memorial Hospital, Scranton, Lackawanna County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 341, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Carbondale Emergency Hospital, Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 342, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats, and providing a penalty; giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. SONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 343, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate, and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. WARNER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 344, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 345, entitled

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 346, entitled

An Act requiring counties in certain instances to assist townships of the second class in the construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of trunk roads, and providing the method of procedure.

Which was committed to the Committee on New Counties and County Seats.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 347, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory, building, room or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 348, entitled

An Act prohibiting blacklisting of discharged employes or employes leaving any employ or service voluntarily.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. HALDEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 349, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Columbia Hospital, located at Columbia, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 350, entitled

An Act relating to plumbing, house drainage, sewers, and cesspools in cities of the third class, and empowering the councils of said cities to prescribe by ordinance, rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction of plumbing, house drainage, sewers, and cesspools the manner of doing said work and the reconstruction and repair thereof; and authorizing council to fix the license fees for licensing of persons engaged in plumbing work and other fees in connection with plumbing.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. MAGEE (at the request of Mr. Salus) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 351, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Home Teaching Society and Free Circulating Library for the Blind, at Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 352, entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 353, entitled

An Act regulating the examination and licensure of certain insurance agents and brokers; providing for the appointment by the Governor of a Board of Insurance Examiners; defining the powers and duties of the Insurance Commissioner and the Board of Insurance Examiners in relation thereto; and providing a penalty.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to enlarge cemeteries.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 355, entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915 by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts, and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act; and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 356, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 357, entitled

An Act amending part of section one of an act approved the 8th day of June, 1901, entitled "An Act amending article two of an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith,' approved the 2d day of June, A. D. 1891."

Which was committed to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. MAGEE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, February 26, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Tuesday evening, March sixth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Tuesday evening, March sixth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROTESTING AGAINST BILL NOW PENDING IN CONGRESS REDUCING THE TAX ON OLEOMARGARINE.

Mr. EYRE offered the following resolution, which was twice read as follows:

In the Senate, February 26, 1917.

Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the General Assembly of Pennsylvania hereby enters a protest against the bill now pending in Congress, Section five hundred of which reduces the tax on mixtures or compounds heretofore known as oleomargarine, from ten cents a pound to two cents a pound; and

Be it Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Chief Clerk of the House and Senate to the Senators and each Member of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be suspended, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask for information. What is the purpose of passing this resolution at this time?

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I would like to hear a statement made by the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre, as to why the resolution is introduced in the Senate.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, the purpose of the resolution is to protest against the proposed reduction in the tax on oleomargarine by the National Congress. Coming from an agricultural district, as I do, our people are greatly interested in the production of pure butter and they believe that the oleomargarine act is working advantageously as at present written and are not in favor of any change.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I desire to further interrogate the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre, permit himself to be further interrogated?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I desire to know from the Senator from Chester, whether or not it is a fact that 52 per cent of the butter consumed in Pennsylvania is shipped in from Illinois and other states?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, not being a butter manufacturer, I am not able to answer the Senator's question.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, if that is the case, if the Senator from Chester does not know any more about butter than that, I do not know why the Senate should be so much interested in the butter of Pennsylvania. If of the 100 per cent of the butter sold in Pennsylvania 48 per cent is made in Pennsylvania, and the other 52 is made outside of Pennsylvania.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, that is true.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, if the people want to eat oleomargarine at a less price, the poor people, and I am for the workingman this time,—then I say let them eat oleomargarine.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, if the Senator from Schuylkill prefers eating oleomargarine to butter he has my permission to do so, but for myself I prefer eating pure butter to eating oleomargarine. This matter has been discussed, I think, in the Senate of Pennsylvania for the past thirty years or more, and the Legislature of Pennsylvania have always stood in favor of the argicultural interests of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and it is in keeping with the record made by the Legislature of Pennsylvania that I advocate the passage of this resolution, in order that we may stand as an agricultural state in the same position that we have always heretofore occupied.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, now that the Senator has greased the resolution I am going to be for it, it slides easier.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 358, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a commission to submit a revised penal code of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation for the expenses of the Commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. R. E. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. R. E. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 359, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President. I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 360, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article five, section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so as to abolish the office of Associate Judge not learned in the law.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 106, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made by virtue of decree of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators for any lawful purpose shall be valid and effectual and shall vest in the purchasers or mortgagees their heirs and assigns the title or mortgage interest as the case may be of such decedents in the real estate so decreed to be sold or mortgaged No such sale or mortgaging of any real estate of a decedent shall be validated unless adequate security conditioned for the faithful application of the proceeds of such sale or mortgage shall have been given by such executors or administrators as the case may be in accordance with such decree This act shall not apply to any case heretofore judicially adjudicated" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made by virtue of decrees of orphans' courts upon petition of executors administrators guardians or trustees for any lawful purpose shall be valid and effectual and shall vest in the purchaser or mortgagees their heirs and assigns the title or mortgage interest as the case may be of such decedents in the real estate so decreed to be sold or mortgaged No such sale or mortgaging of any real estate of a decedent shall be validated unless adequate security conditioned for the faithful application of the proceeds of such sale or mortgage shall have been given by such executors administrators guardians or trustees as the case may be in accordance with such decrees This act shall not apply to any case heretofore judicially adjudicated

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,

Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 143, entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the Courts of Common Pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 144, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 147, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting venders from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the terms of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the terms of inspectors now in office.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,	

NAYS—3.

Baldwin,	Craig,	Schantz,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President I ask that Senate Bill No. 148, on third reading, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 157, on third reading, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 177, as follows:

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities its officers and agents.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the overseers and directors of the poor of any poor district maintaining an almshouse for its indigent poor may enter into a contract with any incorporated association organized for the purpose of providing a home for deaf and dumb persons and being situated within the boundaries of the State of Pennsylvania for the care and maintenance at such home of any indigent deaf and dumb person who may be an inmate of the almshouse of any poor district or who may under the laws of Pennsylvania be entitled to relief from such poor district

Section 2 The contract as hereinbefore provided shall be entered into by the poor districts on its own motion with such qualified institution as they may select provided however that the Board of Public Charities or any of its authorized agents may direct any poor district to remove any deaf and dumb inmate of an almshouse to the care of an incorporated association qualified under this act and when such removal is so ordered the contract for maintenance and the removal of the inmate to such institution shall be made and carried out by the overseers or directors of the poor district or in the event of their failure to comply with such direction the said contract and the re-

moval of such inmate may be made and carried out by the Board of Public Charities or its authorized agents

Section 3 Whenever a contract for such care and maintenance is made whether by any poor district or by the Board of Public Charities for any poor district the said poor district shall during the period such person may remain in said institution pay to such incorporated association annually a sum equal to the per capita cost of maintaining inmates in the almshouse of such poor district and all such costs for maintenance shall be collectible by process of existing laws

Section 4 This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 188, entitled

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 189, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McKee,	Sproul,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Phipps,	Warner,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Craig,	Homsher,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Daix,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	
DeWitt,	Magee,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 196, on third reading, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of deputy sheriffs on duty in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand"

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 203, as follows

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "contest" includes any contest bout match or exhibition of boxing or sparring or wrestling

Section 2 A State Athletic Commission is hereby established The commission shall consist of three members appointed by the Governor for a term of four years from the first day of June next succeeding their appointment A vacancy from any cause shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term The Governor may for cause remove any member

Section 3 The commission shall elect one of its members as chairman It shall adopt a seal and shall adopt rules for the administration of its duties Such rules may be changed or abrogated at any time Two members of the commission shall be a quorum for all purposes

Section 4 The commission shall elect a secretary who shall hold office during the pleasure of the commission He shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars and shall perform such duties as may be imposed by the commission

Section 5 The members of the commission shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars each Each member and the secretary shall be allowed expenses actually and necessarily incurred by him respectively in the performance of his duties

Section 6 The commission shall annually make to the Governor a written report of its proceedings during the year ending November first The commission shall also report such other matters as the Governor may direct It may report such recommendations as to it seem proper

Section 7 The commission shall have sole jurisdiction over all contests It is unlawful to conduct or participate in a contest unless the contest is conducted by a corporation licensed under the provisions of this act and is conducted according to the rules of the commission and the provisions of this act

Section 8 The commission may in its discretion issue and may at its pleasure revoke a license to conduct contests licenses shall issue only upon written application verified as to the statements therein by the chief officer and the secretary of the applicant No application shall be considered by the commission unless the applicant is the owner of the premises where the contests are to be conducted or holds a lease of at least a year for the premises If the applicant is an amateur athletic organization it must have been incorporated and organized in accordance with the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States The application shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Auditor General as hereinafter prescribed Application shall be on blank forms prepared and furnished by the commission and in addition to the foregoing requirements shall contain such additional information as may be desired by the commission

Section 9 Every applicant for a license shall file with the Auditor General a bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of ten thousand dollars conditioned for the faithful observance of the rules of the commission and of the provisions of this act and for the payment of the tax imposed by this act The surety thereon shall be two individuals or one surety company authorized to act as surety in Pennsylvania The surety shall be subject to the approval of the Auditor general The form of bond shall be prepared by the Auditor General Failure to observe the rules of the commission or the provisions of this act shall work a forfeiture of the bond and the Attorney General shall on request of the commission proceed to recover and pay into the State Treasury the amount thereof Upon approval of the bond a certificate of the filing and acceptance thereof shall be furnished to the applicant by the Auditor General

Section 10 The commission may at any time examine the books of any such licensed corporation and may require it to furnish to the commission a written report on any matters coming within the jurisdiction of the commission. The commission may hold hearings which shall be public and may by subpoena compel the attendance of persons and the production of books papers and other documents It may cause its subpoena to be served anywhere in Pennsylvania. If a person subpoenaed refuses to appear and testify or if he appears but refuses to testify the commission may apply to the court of common pleas of the county where the delinquent resides The court shall issue its subpoena requiring the attendance and testimony of the delinquent as the commission shall desire Failure to obey the subpoena of the court shall be contempt of court punishable as contempt in open court is punishable When the examination of any books or the hearing is to determine whether this act is being violated the expense incidental thereto shall be paid by the licensed corporation

Section 11 Within twenty-four hours after a contest is conducted the licensee shall report to the commission the whole number of tickets sold for the contest and the amount of the gross receipts from the sale of tickets and from other sources incidental to and connected with the contest The report shall also include such other matters as the commission may demand The report shall be on blanks furnished by the commission and shall be verified by the chief officer and the secretary of the licensee

Section 12 At the same time the report required in the foregoing section is made the licensee shall forward to the State Treasurer as a tax five per centum of the gross receipts mentioned in such section Failure to pay the tax within five days after the contest is terminated shall work a forfeiture of the bond

Section 13 No free or complimentary tickets nor tickets at a discount shall be issued for any contest except under the rules of the commission

Section 14 No person under the age of eighteen years shall perticipate in or be a spectator of a contest nor shall any such person be permitted to participate in or be a spectator of a contest

Section 15 It is unlawful to conduct or permit to be conducted or to participate in any fraudulent sham or collusive contest The license of a corporation permiting such a contest shall be revoked and the corporation shall not thereafter receive a license

Section 16 If a person knowingly contests in a fraudulent sham or collusive contest he shall for the first offense be debarred from participating for a period of six months in any contest For the second offense he shall be debarred from admission to or participating at any time thereafter in a contest This penalty shall be in addition to the penalty hereinafter imposed

Section 17 No boxing contest shall be for more than ten rounds The contestants shall wear gloves weighing at least eight ounces

Section 18 The building wherein contests are conducted shall be properly ventilated and shall be amply protected against fire and other danger according to the laws of the Commonwealth and the ordinances of the city borough town or township wherein the building is located The commission may require a certificate of inspection in compliance with this section to be filed with the application for license

Section 19 The violation of any of the provisions of this act is a misdemeanor On conviction in case of a corporation so offending the bond of the corporation shall be forfeited On conviction in the case of a person the offender shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding six months This shall be in addition to any other penalty mentioned in this act

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President. I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), on third reading, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 201, as follows

An Act authorizing cities boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the council of any city borough or town of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania may on behalf of such city borough or town enter into a contract with any private individual co-partnership association or corporation for the leasing of any electric light heat and power plant and equipment or any water works plants systems and property or both of such private individual co-partnership association or corporation

Section 2 The said leasing may be for such term of years and at such rental as shall be agreed upon by the city borough or town and the private individual co-partnership association or corporation

Section 3 The property so acquired shall be operated in the same manner as if the same had been acquired by such city borough or town by purchase or condemnation proceedings

Section 4 The council of the city borough or town with the consent of the Public Service Commission shall fix the rates to be charged for the light heat or power or water or any or all as the case may be furnished within the limits of such city borough or town to individuals co-partnerships associations or corporations

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order.

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No 202 (House Bill No. 95), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York'" approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws 203), to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse; and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan; and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to An Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the present directors (chosen in conformity to the act to which this as a supplement) be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon such site as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York and shall certify their proceedings to the clerk of the quarter sessions of said county which proceedings shall be filed in his office and shall have the same effect as if the same were or had been so determined by the trustees first appointed" is herby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the directors of the poor and of the House of Employment for the county of York whenever in the opinion of a majority of said directors the lands buildings and furnishings for maintaining the poor in said county of York are inadequate unsuitable and unsafe for the proper maintaining of the poor within the said county of York be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon and to purchase such land or lands as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and suitable for the purpose of the erection of proper adequate and secure buildings for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York The said directors or a majority of them are authorized to have prepared plans and specifications for any building or buildings to be erected upon lands so purchased by the said directors and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected upon the said lands according to the said plans and specifications Provided however That before the said directors shall purchase any lands or let any contract for the erection of said buildings according to plans and specifications adopted they shall advertise in two or more newspapers of general circulation in the county of York for bids or offers of lands for said purposes and for bids for the erection of buildings on said lands according to the said plans and specifications and such purchase of lands and the letting of the contract or contracts for the erection of said buildings shall first be approved by the Court of Quarter Sessions of the county of York

To carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners of York county shall have the power and it shall be their duty to procure a loan at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum on estimates furnished by the said directors sufficient to furnish the necessary funds to purchase said lands pay for said plans and specifications to erect said buildings and furnish the same in connection with any sum or sums of money in the hands or control of the said directors of the poor and any sum of money realized from the sale of the site and buildings of the present almshouse together with all moneys now rightfully belonging to the poor board by whomsoever the same may be held or deposited which moneys shall be turned over to the use of the county commissioners for such purposes only.

The directors of the poor with the approval of the court of quarter sessions of the County of York are authorized to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse and apply the proceeds of such sale as herein above directed

The said commissioners shall have the power and it shall be their duty to assess levy and collect together with other county rates and levies and on the same subjects of taxation an amount sufficient to gradually reduce the said loan and entirely cancel the same within thirty years Whenever the said buildings shall be finished and completed the said directors of the poor shall certify their procedings to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of said York County whereupon the said court shall appoint three competent and disinterested persons viewers to view and thoroughly examine said buildings and report to the court whether the said contract or contracts have been faithfully and fully performed and completed and until such report be so made final payment on said contract or contracts shall not be made and paid The said viewers shall be entitled to five dollars per day for each day necessarily engaged in the performance of their duties.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, line 3, page 4, by inserting after the word "lands," the words "plans and specifications."

Mr. DeWITT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to An Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York' approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the county of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the county commissioners of the county of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 210, entitled

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto"

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending laws in relation thereto" which reads as follows

"Section 4 The assessor shall make or cause to be made during the year of the triennial assessment for county purposes a full just equal and impartial assessment of all property real personal and mixed and all matters and things within the city subject by law to taxation for city purposes and a just and perfect list of all property exempt by law from taxation with a just valuation of the same With his assessments he shall return such dimensions description or quantity of each lot or parcel of land as will be sufficient to identify the same together with the number and kind of improvements In all cases they shall value the property at such sums as the same would in their judgment bring at a fair public sale thereof And it shall be the further duty of said assessor to return annually a list of all the male inhabitants over twenty-one years of age" be amended to read as follows

Section 4 The assessor shall make or cause to be made during the year of the triennial assessment for county purposes a full just equal and impartial assessment of all property real personal and mixed and all matters and things within the city subject by law to taxation for city purposes, and the assessment shall show such dimensions description or quantity of each lot or parcel of land as will be sufficient to identify the same together with the number and kind of improvements In all cases they shall value the property at such sums as the same would in their judgment bring at a fair public sale thereof In making such assessments the assessor shall classify all real estate in the city in such manner and upon such testimony as may be adduced before him so as to distinguish between the buildings on land and land exclusive of the buildings and certify to the council of said city the aggregate valuation of city property subject to taxation It shall be the duty of said council in determining the rate for the years one thousand nine hundred nineteen one thousand nine hundred and twenty and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one to assess a tax upon the buildings equal to seven-tenths of the highest rate of tax required to be assessed for those years and for the years one thousand nine hundred twenty-two one thousand nine hundred twenty-three and one thousand nine hundred twenty-four to assess a tax upon the buildings equal to six-tenths of the highest rate of tax required to be assessed for those years and for the year one thousand nine hundred twenty-five and for each year thereafter to assess a tax upon the buildings equal to five tenths of the highest rate of tax required to be assessed for the years one thousand nine hundred twenty-five and for each year thereafter respectively so that upon said classes of real estate of said city there shall in any year be two rates of taxation And it shall be the further duty of said assessors to return annually a list of all the male inhabitants over twenty-one years of age

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 27, by striking out the word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "land."

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 225 (House Bill 7), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physicians of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill 226 (House Bill 69), entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes of the Department of Banking

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 226 (House Bill No. 69), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 273, as follows:

An Act establishing a public school teachers' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing teachers defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of teachers exempting annuities allowances returns benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process and providing penalties

Definitions.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following words and phrases as used in this act unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context shall have the following meanings

(1) "Retirement System" shall mean the arrangement for the payment of retirement allowances under the provisions of this act

(2) "Retirement Association" shall mean the teachers' retirement association provided for in section three of this act

(3) "Retirement Board" shall mean the teachers' retirement board provided for in section four of this act

(4) "Superintendent of Public Instruction" shall mean the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

(5) "Public School" shall mean any class school high school normal school training school vocational school truant school parental school and any or all classes or schools within the State of Pennsylvania conducted under the order and superintendence of the Department of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and of a duly elected or appointed board of public education board of school directors or board of trustees of the Commonwealth or of any school district or normal school

district thereof and shall include the offices of the State Department of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education

(6) "Employer" shall mean the Commonwealth school school district normal school district board or other committee by which the teacher is paid

(7) "Teacher" shall mean any class-room teacher principal supervisor supervising principal county superintendent district superintendent assistant superintendent any member of the professional staff of the State normal schools or of the professional staff of the State Department of Public Instruction or of the professional staff of the State Board of Education and any other person engaged in teaching supervising or professionally administering the public schools of this oommonwealth or under contract or engagement to perform one or more of these functions provided that no person shall be deemed a teacher within the meaning of this act who is not regularly engaged in performing one or more of these functions as a full-time occupation outside of vacation periods In all cases of doubt the retirement board shall determine whether any person is a teacher as defined in this act

(8) "Present Teacher" shall mean any teacher employed in the public school at the time this bill becomes a law and any teacher who was employed prior to such time and who shall become a contributor within three years from the date of expiration of such employment

(9) "New Entrant" shall mean any teacher appointed or elected or contracting or otherwise legally engaging to serve in the public schools or in a superivsory or administrative capacity in connection therewith after this bill becomes a law

(10) "Contributor" shall mean any person who has an account in the annuity savings fund

(11) "Beneficiary" shall mean any person in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit as provided in this act

(12) "Teaching Service" shall mean any service as a teacher as defined by paragraph (seven) of this section

(13) "Prior Service" shall mean all teaching service completed not later than the thirteenth day of June nineteen hundred eighteen

(14) "School Year" shall mean the official school year of the school district in which a teacher is employed

(15) "Disablity Retirement" shall mean retirement as defined in section twelve of this act

(16) "Superannuation Retirement" shall mean retirement as defined in section thirteen of this act

(17) "Final Salary" shall mean the average annual salary not exceeding two thousand dollars earnable by a contributor as a teacher for the ten years of service immediately preceding retirement

(18) "Accumulated Deductions" shall mean the total of the amounts deducted from the salary of a contributor and credited to his individual account in the annuity savings fund together with the regular interest thereon

(19) "Regular Interest" shall mean interest at four per cent per annum compounded annually

(20) "State Annuity" shall mean payment for life derived from contributions made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as provided in this act

(21) "Teacher's Annuity" shall mean payments for life derived from contributions made by a contributor as provided in this act

(22) "Retirement Allowance" shall mean the state annuity plus the teacher's annuity

(23) "State Annuity Rerserve" shall mean the present value computed on the basis of such mortality tables as shall be adopted by the retirement board with regular interest of the future payments to be made on account of any state annuity granted and based on contributions made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

(24) "Teacher's Annuity Reserve" shall mean the present value computed on the basis of such mortality tables as shall be adopted by the retirement board with regular interest of the future payments to be made on account of any teacher's annuity granted and based on the accumulated deductions of the contributor

(25) "Expense Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number two in section eight of this act

(26) "Contingent Reserve Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number three in section eight of this act

(27) "State Annuity Reserve Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number four in section eight of this act

(28) "State Annuity Reserve Fund Number Two" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number five in section eight of this act

(29) "Teachers' Annuity Savings Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number six in section eight of this act

(30) "Teachers' Annuity Reserve Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number seven in section eight of this act

Retirement System.

Section 2 The retirement system shall be established on the first day of July nineteen hundred eighteen

Teachers' Retirement Association

Section 3 A teachers' retirement association is hereby organized the membership of which shall consist of the following

1 All present teachers except those specifically excluded by paragraph three of this section who by written application to the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall elect before the first day of July nineteen hundred eighteen to be covered by the retirement system

2 All new entrants except those specifically excluded by paragraph three of this section

3 Present teachers who are members and new entrants who become members of a retirement system maintained under the laws of the Commonwealth from appropriations or contributions made wholly or in part by any employer and existing at the time this bill becomes a law shall be excluded from membership in this retirement association But should two-thirds of all the teachers participating in any such retirement system apply for membership in the retirement association by a petition duly signed and verified approved by their employer and filed with the retirement board all the teachers included in the membership of such retirement system shall become members of the retirement association at such time within three months after the filing of such petition as the retirement board shall designate Thereupon the retirement system of which they were members at the time they were included in the retirement association provided by this act shall be dissolved and discontinued as follows

The payment of retirement allowances or other benefits which were in effect at the time of such discontinuance shall become an obligation of the employer shall be continued as formerly provided by such retirement system and shall be paid out of such moneys excepting further contributions of teachers as were formerly available for such payment and the employer shall appropriate for such purpose such other moneys as shall be required

All present assets of such retirement system at the time of its discontinuance shall be transferred to the employer to be held and invested as a trust fund and disbursed only in payment to the before-mentioned retired teachers except that if the amount of such present assets exceed the present value of the future retirement allowances or other benefits of such retired teachers computed on the basis of such tables as the retirement board shall have adopted for similar classes of annuitants and of regular interest the amount of the excess shall thereupon be transferred to State annuity reserve fund number two. Upon the retirement of any contributor of the retirement association established by this act who has not received back any contributions which he made to such discontinued retirement system there shall be paid from State annuity reserve fund number two into teachers' annuity reserve fund the amount of such contributions and he shall receive therefor such annuity or other benefit purchasable therewith as he may elect in addition to the other benefits provided by this act

The Retirement Board.

Section 4 A retirement board of seven members is hereby constituted which shall consist of the following

(a) The Superintendent of Public Instruction

(b) The Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

(c) One member who shall be appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who shall serve until his successor is appointed

(d) Three members of the retirement association elected from among their number in a manner to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction the State Treasurer and the member of the retirement board appointed by the Governor one to serve for one year one for two years and one for three years and whose successors shall be elected for a term of three years from among the members of the retirement association in a manner to be approved by the retirement board

(e) One member not a teacher nor State officer or employe who shall be elected annually by the board to serve for a term of one year

A vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term by the appointment of a successor in the same manner as his predecessor Until the organization of the retirement association and the election of three representatives therefrom the Superintendent of Public Instruction the State Treasurer and the member appointed by the Governor are empowered to perform the duties of the retirement board

2 The members of the retirement board shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed from the expense fund for any necessary expenditures and no contributor shall suffer loss of salary or wages through serving on the retirement board

3 The retirement board shall elect from its membership a chairman and shall appoint a secretary an actuary and such medical clerical and other employes as may be necessary

4 The compensation of all employes of the retirement board shall be fixed by said retirement board

5 Subject to the limitations of this act and of law the retirement board shall from time to time establish rules and regulations for the administration of the funds created by this act and for the transaction of its business

6 The retirement board shall keep in convenient form such data as shall be necessary for actuarial valuation of the various funds created by this act

7 In the years nineteen hundred twenty and nineteen hundred twenty-three and in every fifth year thereafter the actuary of the retirement board shall make an actuarial investigation into the mortality and service experience of the contributors and beneficiaries as defined in this act and shall make a valuation of the various funds created by this act and on the basis of such investigation and valuation the retirement board shall

(a) Adopt for the retirement system one or more mortality tables and such other tables as shall be deemed necessary

(b) Certify the rates of deduction from salary necessary to pay the annuities authorized under the provisions of this act and

(c) Certify the rates of contribution expressed as a percentage of the salary of new entrants at various ages which shall be made by the Commonwealth to the contingent reserve fund

8 Immediately after the passage of this act the actuary of the retirement board shall make such investigation of the mortality service and salary experience of the teachers in the public schools as he shall recommend and the retirement board shall authorize for the purpose of determining upon the proper tables to be prepared and submitted to the retirement board for adoption On the basis of such investigation and recommendation the retirement board shall adopt such tables and certify such rates as are required in subsections a b and c of paragraph seven immediately preceding On the basis of such tables the actuary of the retirement board shall immediately after the first day of July nineteen hundred eighteen make a valuation of the various funds created by this act

9. The retirement board shall publish annually a report showing the condition of the various funds created by this act and setting forth such other facts recommendations and data as may be of use in the advancement of knowledge concerning teachers' pensions and annuities and said retirement board shall submit said report to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall file copies thereof in the offices of the State Department of Public Instruction of the State Insurance Department and of each employer for use of the teachers and the public

10. Each member of the retirement board shall take an oath of office that he will so far as it devolves upon him diligently and honestly administer the affairs of said retirement board and that he will not knowingly violate or wilfully permit to be violated any of the provisions of law applicable to this act Such oath shall be subscribed by the member making it and certified by the officer before whom it is taken and shall be immediately filed in the office of the Secretary of State

11 The retirement board shall keep a record of all of of its proceedings which shall be open to inspection by the public

12. The retirement board shall perform such other functions as are required for the execution of the provisions of this act

Corporate Powers

Section 5 For the purposes of this act the retirement board shall possess the powers and privileges of a corporation The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be the legal adviser of said retirement board

Management of the Funds

Section 6 The funds created by this act shall be managed as follows

1 The members of the retirement board shall be the trustees of the several funds created by this act and shall have full power to invest the same subject however to all the terms conditions limitations and restrictions imposed by this act upon the making of investments and subject also to the terms conditions limitations and restrictions imposed by law upon savings banks in the making and disposing of their investments and subject to like terms conditions limitations and restrictions and trustees shall have full power to hold purchase sell assign transfer or dispose of any of the securities and investments in which any of the funds created by this act shall have been invested as well as of the proceeds of said investments and of any moneys belonging to said funds

2 The retirement board shall annually allow regular interest on the mean amount for the preceding year in each of the funds created in accordance with the provisions of this act with the exception of the expense fund The amount so allowed shall be due and payable to such funds and shall be annually credited there to by the retirement board

3 The treasurer of this Commonwealth shall be the custodian of the several funds created by this act

4 All payments from the funds created by this act shall be made by the State Treasurer only upon warrants signed by the chairman of the retirement board and countersigned by the secretary of the retirement board and on warrant shall be drawn except by order of the retirement board duly entered in the record of its proceedings

5 For the purpose of meeting disbursements for annuities and other payments in excess of the receipts there may be kept an available fund not exceeding ten per centum of the total amount in the several funds created by this act on deposit in any bank in this Commonwealth organized under the laws thereof or under the laws of the United States or with any trust company incorporated by any law of this Commonwealth provided said bank or trust company shall furnish adequate security for said funds and provided that the sum so deposited in any one bank or trust company shall not exceed twenty-five per centum of the paid-up capital and surplus of said bank or trust company

6 Except as herein provided no trustee and no employe of the retirement board shall have any interest direct or indirect in the gains or profits of any investment made by the retirement board nor as such directly or indirectly receive any pay or emolument for his services And no trustee or employe of said retirement board directly or indirectly for himself or as an agent or partner of others shall borrow any of its funds or deposits or in any manner use the same except to make such current and necessary payments as are authorized by the board of trustees nor shall any trustee or employe of said retirement board become an endorser or surety or become in any manner an obliger for moneys loaned by or borrowed of said retirement board

Duties of the Employer

Section 7 Each employer shall before employing in any teaching position any person to whom this act may apply notify such person of his duties and obligations under this act as a condition of his employment

2 During September of each year each employer shall certify to the retirement board the name of all teachers to whom this act applies

3 Each employer shall on the first day of each calendar month notify the retirement board of the employment of new teachers removals withdrawals and changes in salary of teachers that shall have occurred during the month preceding

4 Under the direction of the retirement board each employer shall furnish such other information as the board may require in the discharge of his duties

5 Each employer shall cause to be deducted on each and every payroll of a contributor for each and every payroll period subsequent to June thirtieth nineteen hundred eighteen such per centum of the total amount of salary earnable by the contributor in such payroll period as shall be certified to said employer by the retirement board as proper in accordance with the provisions of this act No deductions shall be made from that part of the salary earnable by any contributor which is at a rate in excess of two thousand dollars per annum In determining the amount earnable by a contributor in a payroll period the retirement board may consider the rate of salary payable to such contributor on the first day of each regular payroll period as continuing throughout such payroll period and it may omit salary deductions for any period less than a full payroll period in cases where the teacher was not a contributor on the first day of the regular payroll period and to facilitate the making of the deductions it may modify the deduction required of any contributor by such amount as shall not exceed one-tenth of one per centum of the salary upon the basis of which the deduction is to be made the deductions provided herein shall be made notwithstanding that minimum salaries provided for by the laws ordinances resolutions or other acts of the Commonwealth or of any other employer shall be reduced thereby each employer shall certify to the treasurer of said employer on each and every payroll a statement as voucher for the amounts so deducted and shall send a duplicate of such statement to the secretary of the retirement board

6 The treasurer of each employer on reecipt from the employer of the voucher for deductions from the salaries of teachers provided in paragraph five of this section shall transmit monthly or at such times as the retirement board shall designate the amounts specified in such voucher to the secretary of the retirement board The secretary of the retirement board after making a record of all such receipts shall pay them to the treasurer of the Commonwealth for use according to the provisions of this act

7 Each employer shall keep such records as the retirement board may require

Funds

Section 8 The funds hereby created are the expense fund the contingent reserve fund State annuity reserve fund State annuity reserve fund number two the teachers' annuity savings fund and the teachers' annuity reserve fund

2 The expense fund shall consist of such amounts as shall be paid by the Commonwealth on the basis of estimates submitted by the retirement board to defray the expenses of the administration of this act exclusive of the payment of retirement allowances and of the other benefits provided for in this act

3 In the month of July nineteen hundred nineteen for a period covering the twelve months next preceding and semi-annually thereafter covering the six months next preceding the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall pay into a fund to be known as the contingent reserve fund on account of each new entrant who was a contributor for one or more months of such respective periods such amount as shall be certified by the retirement board as necessary to provide by such method of payment during the prospective active service of such new entrant the State annuity reserve required at the time of retirement for the disability or superannuation State annuity allowable by the said Commonwealth under the provisions of this act The amount so certified by the retirement board shall be computed to bear a ratio to the salary earnable by such new entrant during the period for which the amount is certified which shall remain constant during his entire period of prospective active service and shall be based on such morality and other tables as shall be adopted by the retirement board and on regular interest

4 Upon the retirement of a new entrant an amount equal to his State annuity reserve shall be transferred from the contingent reserve fund into a fund to be known as State annuity reserve fund his State annuity shall be paid from said State annuity reserve fund Should said new entrant be subsequently restored to active service his State annuity reserve shall thereupon be transferred from State annuity reserve fund to the contingent reserve fund Should the State annuity of any such new entrant be otherwise reduced or discontinued in accordance with the provisions of this act his State annuity reserve or such

proportionate part of his State annuity reserve as corresponds to the amount of the reduction in his State annuity shall be transferred from State annuity reserve fund to the contingent reserve fund

5 Beginning with the month of July nineteen hundred eighteen and continuing until the accumulation reserve equals the present value as computed by the actuary of the retirement board and approved by the retirement board of all State annuity payments thereafter payable by the Commonwealth on account of present teachers then retired or to be retired on State annuities as provided in this act the said Commonwealth shall pay semi-annually into a fund to be known as State annuity reserve fund number two an amount equal to two and eight-tenths (2.8) percentum of the total compensation paid to all contributors for service during the preceding school year and in every case an amount at least three percentum greater than the second preceding semi-annual payment provided that in every case the amount shall be sufficient when combined with that in the fund to provide the pensions payable by the Commonwealth during the half-year then current to present teachers then retired or to be retired as provided in this act Upon the retirement of a present teacher his State annuity shall be paid from State annuity reserve fund number two

6 The teachers' annuity savings fund shall consist of the accumulated deductions from the salaries of contributors made under such rules and regulations as the retirement board shall prescribe as follows

From the salary of each teacher who is a contributor there shall be deducted such percentum of his earnable salary not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum as shall be computed to be sufficient with regular interest to procure for him on superannuation retirement at age sixty-two a teacher's annuity equal to one one-hundred sixtieth (1-160) of his final salary for each year of service after the thirtieth day of June nineteen hundred eighteen except that if the deduction so computed shall exceed five percentum of his earnable salary and the teacher shall so elect there shall be deducted five percentum of his earnable salary and further provided that a beneficiary restored to teaching service shall not be required to contribute at a percentum rate of his earnable salary which is greater than the percentum thereof which he was required to contribute prior to his retirement the rate percentum of said deduction from salary shall be based on such mortality and other tables as the retirement board shall adopt together with regular interest and shall be computed to remain constant during the prospective teaching service of the contributor

7 Upon the retirement of a contributor his accumulated deductions shall be transferred from the teachers' annuity savings fund to a fund to be known as the teachers' annuity reserve fund his teachers' annuity shall be paid out of said teachers' annuity reserve fund Should said contributor be subsequently restored to active service his teachers' annuity reserve shall thereupon be transferred from the teachers' annuity reserve fund to the teachers' annuity savings fund

8 No contributor shall be required to continue to contribute to the teachers' annuity savings fund after he shall have become eligible for superannuation retirement all contributions made thereafter to said fund shall be voluntary

State Guaranty

Section 9 Regular interest charges payable the creation and maintenance of reserves in the contingent reserve fund and the maintenance of teachers' annuity reserves and State annuity reserves as provided for in this act and the payment of all retirement allowances and other benefits granted by the retirement board under the provisions of this act are hereby made obligations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania All income interest and dividends derived from deposits and investments authorized by this act shall be used for the payment of the said obligations of the Commonwealth The retirement board shall prepare and submit to the Legislature on or before the thirty-first day of January in each odd-numbered year an itemized estimate of the amounts necessary to be appropriated by the Commonwealth to the various funds to complete the payment of the said obligations of said Commonwealth accruing during the biennium beginning July first of the same year and it shall be the duty of said legislature to make an appropriation sufficient to provide for such obilgations of the Commonwealth and the amounts so appropriated shall be included in the general appropriation bill and shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth into the various fund created by this act For the biennium beginning July first nineteen hundred seventeen there is hereby appropriated to the expense fund created by section eight paragraph two of this act such sum not to exceed twenty thousand dollars as shall be certified to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth by the retirement board as necessary to meet the expenses of establishing the retirement system constituted by the provisions of this act For said biennium there is hereby appropriated and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized and directed to pay into pension reserve fund number two the amounts which shall become due in such period from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to such fund under the provision of section eight paragraph five of this act

Service Allowance

Section 10 In computing the length of service of a contributor for retirement purposes under the provisions of this act full credit shall be given to each contributor by the retirement board for each school year of service as a teacher as defined in section one paragraph seven of this act Under such rules and regulations as the retirement board shall adopt each teacher shall file with the retirement board a detailed statement of all such service rendered by him As soon as practicable thereafter the retirement board shall verify such statement as to prior service and shall issue to each teacher a certificate certifying to the aggregate length of his prior service Such certificate shall be final and conclusive as to his prior service unless thereafter modified (a) by the retirement board upon application by the teacher or (b) by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction upon application by the teacher or by the retirement board provided such application for modification be made to said State Superintendent of Public Instruction within one year after the issuance of a certificate or a modified certificate by the retirement board A certificate for prior service issued to a present teacher shall certify the total number of completed years of prior service allowance for said present teacher to and including the thirtieth day of June nineteen hundred eighteen The time during which a teacher is absent without pay shall not be counted in computing the prior service the total service or the average salary of a contributor unless allowed by the employer by whom said contributor was employed at the time said leave of absence was granted and further unless said allowance is approved by the retirement board

Withdrawal

Section 11 Should a contributor by resignation or dismissal or in any other way than by death or retirement separate from the teaching service he shall be paid on demand (a) the full amount of the accumulated deductions standing to the credit of his individual account in the annuity savings fund or in lieu thereof should he so elected (b) an annuity or a deferred annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of said accumulated deductions His membership in the retirement association shall thereupon cease

2 Should a teacher so separated from the teaching service return to service within three years and restore to the annnity savings fund his accumulated deductions as they were at the time of his separation the annuity rights forfeited by him at that time shall be restored

3 Should a contributor die before retirement his accumulated deductions shall be paid to his estate or to such person as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the retirement board

Disability Retirement

Section 12 Retirement upon disability shall be made and discontinued as follows

1 Upon the application of a contributor who is a teacher or of one acting in his behalf or upon the application of the employer of a contributor the retirement board shall retire said contributor on a disability allowance if he is under the age of sixty-two years and on a superannuation allowance if he has attained or passed such age provided the physician or physicians designated by said board after a medical examination of said contributor made at the place of residence of said contributor or at a place mutually agreed upon shall certify to the retirement board that said contributor is physically or mentally incapacitated for the performance of duty and that said contributor ought to be retired and provided further that said contributor has had ten or more school years of teaching service

2 Once each year the retirement board may require any disability annuitant while still under the age of sixty-two years to undergo medical examination by a physician or physicians designated by the retirement board said examination to be made at the place of residence of said beneficiary or other place mutually agreed upon Should such physician or physicians thereupon report and certify to the retirement board that such disability beneficiary is no longer physically or mentally incapacitated for the performance of duty or that such disability beneficiary is able to engage in a gainful occupation and should the retirement board concur in such report then the amount of the State annuity shall be discontinued or reduced to an amount that shall be not in excess of the amount by which the amount of the last year's salary of the beneficiary as a teacher exceeds the present earning capacity of the contributor

3 Should any disability annuitant while under the age of sixty-two years refuse to submit to at least one medical examination in any year by a physician or physicians designated by the retirement board his State annuity shall be discontinued until the withdrawal of such refusal and should such refusal continue for one year all his rights in and to the State annuity constituted by this act shall be forfeited

4 Upon application of any beneficiary under the age of sixty-two years drawing a retirement allowance under the provisions of this act said beneficiary may be restored to active service by the employer by whom he was employed at the time of his retirement Upon the restoration of a beneficiary to active service his retirement allowance shall cease

Allowance on Disability Retirement

5 On retirement for disability a contributor who is a teacher shall receive a retirement allowance which shall consist of

(a) A teacher's annuity which shall be the acturial equivalent of his accumulated deductions and

(b) A State annuity which together with the teacher's annuity shall be sufficient to produce a retirement allowance of one-ninetieth of his final salary multiplied by the number of his final salary multiplied by the number of his years of service but in any case not less than thirty per centum of said final salary except that in case thirty per centum of said final salary shall exceed eight-ninths of the rate of retirement allowance to which the teacher might have been entitled had retirement been deferred until age sixty-two then the State annuity granted shall be such as to make the rate of the total retirement allowance equal to eight-ninths of the rate of allowance to which the teacher might have been entitled had retirement been deferred until age sixty-two

Superannuation Retirement

Section 13 Retirement for superannuation shall be as follows

1 Any contributor who is a teacher sixty-two years of age or older may retire for superannuation by filing with the retirement board a written statement duly attested setting forth at which time subsequent to the execution of said application he desires to be retired Said application shall retire said contributor at the time so specified or in the discretion of the retirement board at the end of the school term in which the time so specified occurs

2 Each and very contributor who has attained or shall attain the age of seventy years shall be retired by the retirement board for superannuation forthwith or at the end of the school term in which said age of seventy years is attained

Allowance on Superannuation Retirement

3 On retirement for superannuation a contributor who is a teacher shall receive a retirement allowance which shall consist of

(a) A teacher's annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his accumulated deduction and

(b) A State anuity of one one-hundred sixtieth (1-160) of his final salary for each year of service prior to the age of sixty-two years and

(c) In addition thereto if a present teacher a further State annuity of one one-hundred sixtieth (1-160) of his final salary for each year of prior service as certified to said present teacher in the certificate issued to him by the retirement board under the provisions of section ten of this act but in no event shall the total State annuity exceed fifty percentum of his final salary

Options

Section 14 At the time of his retirement any contributor may elect to receive his benefits in a retirement allowance payable throughout life or he may on retirement elect to receive the actuarial equivalent at that time of his teacher's annuity his State annuity or his retirement allowance in a lesser teacher's annuity or a lesser State annuity or a lesser retirement allowance payable throughout life with the provision that

Option 1 If he die before he has received in payments the present value of his teacher's annuity his State annuity or his retirement allowance as it was at the time of his retirement the balance shall be paid to his legal representatives or to such person having an insurable interest in his life as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement

Option 2 Upon his death his teacher's annuity his State annuity or his retirement allowance shall be continued throughout the life of and paid to such person having an insurable interest in his life as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement

Option 3 Upon his death one-half of his teacher's annuity his State Annuity or his retirement allowance shall be continued throughout the life of and paid to such person having an insurable interest in his life as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement

Option 4 Some other benefit or benefits shall be paid to either the contributor or such other person or persons as he shall nominate provided such other benefit or benefits shall be certified by the actuary of the retirement board to be of equivalent actuarial value and shall be approved by the retirement board

Monthly Payments

Section 15 A teachers' annuity a State annuity or a retirement allowance granted under the provisions of this act shall be paid in equal monthly installments and shall not be increased decreased revoked or repealed except as otherwise provided in this act

State Supervision

Section 16 The various funds created by this act shall be subject to the supervision of the State Department of Insurance

Exemptions from Execution

Section 17 The right of a person to a teacher's annuity a State annuity or retirement allowance to the return of contributions any benefit or right accrued or accruing to any person under the provisions of this act and the moneys in the various funds created under this act are hereby exempt from any State or municipal tax and exempt from levy and sale garnishment attachment or any other process whatsoever and shall be unassignable except as in this act specifically otherwise provided

Section 18 Any person who shall knowingly make any false statement or shall falsely or permit to be falsified any record or records of this retirement system in any attempt to defraud such system as a result of such act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable for such under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Should any such change in records or any mistake in records result in any teacher or beneficiary receiving from the retirement system more or less than he would have been entitled to receive had the records been correct then on the discovery of any such error the retiremnt board shall corrct such error and so far as practicable shall adjust the payment which may be made for and to such person in such a manner that the actuarial equivalent of the benefit to which he was correctly entitled shall be paid

Section 19 This act shall take effect at once

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 273, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 110, entitled

An Act concerning transactions by banks and trust companies after twelve o'clock noon on Saturdays

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 115, entitled

An Act to promote uniformity in all courts of record in issuing writs and process for the beginning of civil actions

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 139, entitled

An Act relating to division fences in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class regulating the nature height materials and kind thereof defining the same and in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height except under a permit

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 140, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class except under a permit declaring certain fences a private nuisance and their erection a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 161, entitled

An Act relative to the payment of deposits in banks or trust companies deposited in two names

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 205, entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, for the amount of such part, if any, of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by, and paid by him to, the Treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia, in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 212, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 213, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act preventing the manufacture sale or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens lead arsenates lime-sulphur compounds and other insecticides and fungicides and regulating traffic therein providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act to authorize counties cities boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 229 (House Bill No. 32), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf a resident of the Borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 262, entitled

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act authorizing Ida Collins, a resident of Somerset County, in her own right and in the right of her minor children to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading

HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented for concurrence bill of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 319 (Senate Bill No. 361), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, T. J. Keeler, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of LaPorte, County of Sullivan, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice, failure to qualify by person elected.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William T. Leek, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence in Atlantic City, N. J., for the term of five years to compute from date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 13, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, J. A. Girt, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Tarentum, County of Allegheny, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice W. H. Wood, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 20, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph N. Mohn, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Warwick, Lancaster County, vice Samuel N. Ruth, resigned, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.
To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George D. Roberts, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Koppel, County of Beaver, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.
To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Grover W. Boyd, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Donora, County of Washington, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Frank B. Hambry, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PRAYING FOR THE SPEEDY PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 392, NOW PENDING IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

He also presented communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 21, 1917.
To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved a resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives providing that our Senators and Representatives in Congress at Washington, D. C., and the entire Congress of the United States be requested that United States Senate Bill No. 392, known as the Civil War Volunteer Retired List Bill, be taken up and put upon its final passage.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 345, entitled

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 284 (House Bill No. 90), entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the 14th day of May, 1915, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation the following nomination, made by His Excellency the Governor, of the Commonwealth:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 13, 1917.
To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, J. A. Girt, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Tarentum, County of Allegheny, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice W. H. Wood, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to lie on the table one day, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon the foregoing nominations:

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nomination reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11.10 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, February 27, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, February 26, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

O Lord God, assist us mercifully in these our supplications and prayers and dispose the way of Thy servants toward the attainment of everlasting salvation!

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favor and further us with Thy continued help!

God of comfort, look down with pity and compassion upon the afflicted condition of humanity everywhere!

Shower Thy blessings from above and give daily food to all in need and protecting from famine and starvation, alleviate from present dire conditions and save all from further temporal afflictions!

Be with this Assembly and those in authority over us and grant that the grave problems of our nation may be solved most courageously!

Keep us faithful to Thy precepts and lead us safely through the journey of life and save us all. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, February 21, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, February 21, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Weimer, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was appoved.

PETITIONS.

PROTESTING AGAINST COMPULSORY MILITARY OR NAVAL TRAINING

The SPEAKER presented the petition of the Federal Trades Council of Reading, Penna., protesting against the

passage of bills providing for compulsory military or naval training of school children, and giving the Governor power to draft citizens for national guard or naval militia.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

PROTESTING AGAINST PASSAGE OF FISHERMEN'S LICENSE ACT.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of citizens of Reading protesting against the passage of a proposed Fishermen's License Act.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. STITES. House Bill No. 723.

An Act providing for the assessment and collection of a tax for State purposes on the loans of private and public corporations and appropriating and dedicating the same to the construction and maintenance of State highways.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COX. House Bill No. 724.

An Act to authorize Councils of Cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products, to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 728.

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 679 (Senate Bill No. 194), entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. STERN asked and obtained unanimous consent to have a bill read on first reading at this time.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 679 (Senate Bill No. 194), entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. GOODWIN, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 724, entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products, to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. GOODWIN asked and obtained unanimous consent to have a bill read on first reading at this time.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 724, entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products, to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 477, entitled

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth, and validating certain titles.

Mr. HOUGH, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures, or merchandise or fixtures, not in the ordinary course of business, providing certain requirements therefor, and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer; and making their violation a misdemeanor.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: My attention has been attracted to the food supply problem in this Commonwealth. In our great urban communities the demand for food has in some cases been accompanied with disturbance of the peace if not with violation of law. Many staple foods have reached a price so unusual and so excessive as to cause serious concern for our armies of toilers and their families. There is great unrest and a condition of serious portent in this situation. The people of Pennsylvania must have food and they must have it at a price within their resources.

It is held that there is a shortage of food. The reasons for this shortage are in general as advanced, a small crop and unusual exportation. It is held that there is no adequate transportation, due to congestion in traffic, from the centers of production to the great centers of consumption of food. It is held that markets are cornered, that food is unduly withheld for the purpose of still further advancing prices. In fact, all sorts of statements are made and the general effect is to cause unproven criticism to lie against one or another agency in interest.

Of the truth or untruth of these charges I am not advised. That the truth may be known and known at once I respectfully suggest that you formulate such directive action as will empower your Executive to name a committee of broad-minded, capable citizens, who, without cost to the Commonwealth, may be empowered to make full and thorough inquiry into the food supply problem of Pennsylvania and report within fifteen days to your honorable bodies upon the matter committed to them together with such recommendations as to them may be wise.

Respectfully submitted,
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. CANON asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Theodore Morgan.

Mr. ERDMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. George J. A. Miller, on account of illness

Mr. WEST asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Leary.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. GLASS asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Provding for a commission to investigate and report the increase in the cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life and to investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of living; empowering said commission to issue subpoenas and providing for the attendance of witnesses, and the penalty for failure to obey such subpoenas; empowering said commission to work and co-operate with like commissions of adjoining States.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives (if the Senate concur), That a commission be appointed by the Governor of this Commonwealth, to serve without compensation, to investigate and report the cause or causes of the increase in the cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life. Said commission shall have power to work and co-operate with like commissions from adjoining States, and shall, in any manner in which it may deem advisable, thoroughly investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life, and said com-

mission shall not be limited in any manner whatsoever in its investigation; said commission shall report to the present session of the Legislature.

For the purpose of enabling said commission to carry out and perform its duties, the said commission shall have the right to sit in any part of this Commonwealth; and shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books, papers, and other evidence, at the meeting of the commission, and for that purpose may issue subpoenas, signed by the president of the commission, and cause the same to be served and executed in any court of this Commonwealth; and if any witness shall refuse to testify any fact within his knowledge, or to produce any books or papers within his possession or under his control the secretary of the commission shall forthwith report the facts of such refusal to the court of common pleas of the county wherein such witness resides, or wherein his attendance was required, and all questions arising from such refusal shall at once be heard by said court. If the court determines that the testimony or evidence required by such witness is legal and properly competent and ought to be given or produced by him or her, then said court shall make an order commanding such witness to testify or produce books or papers or both, as the case may be; and if such witness shall thereafter refuse to testify or to produce books or papers, as aforesaid, in disobedience of such order of the court, then the said court shall have power to order the commitment of such witness to the county jail of the proper county for contempt.

The said commission shall have power to call upon the Attorney General for such legal advice as it may require.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. BLACK asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

A RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FOOD SITUATION.

Whereas, The constantly increasing cost of food has produced a situation in this Commonwealth that is little short of revolutionary, and

Whereas, It is the bounden duty of this House of Representatives to exert all of its power to relieve the intolerable situation, and

Whereas, Without facts it can do nothing, therefore

Be it resolved, That the Secretary of Agriculture be and he hereby is directed to report to the House of Representatives not later than Wednesday, February 28, at noon, 1917, fully upon the following questions:

1. How many cold storage warehouses are there in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania?

2. Where are they located and by whom are they owned?

3. What articles of foodstuffs do they contain at the present time and how long have such foodstuffs been in storage?

4. How many dozen eggs have been exported from Pennsylvania during the past six months?

5. What quantities of foodstuffs of any kind, including vegetables, have been exported from Pennsylvania during the past six months?

6. Show, by figures if possible, how much of the increase in the cost of food and vegetables to the consumer has gone to the farmer or producer?

7. What was the total yield of vegetables in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania last year?

8. Of this yield, how much remains to be marketed?

9. How many bushels of potatoes are now held in storage by growers, commission merchants, speculators or dealers?

10. Where are such storage houses located and by whom are they owned?

And be it further resolved, That the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture is hereby directed to inquire, by telegraph or telephone, of such farm agents, dairy and food inspectors, or crop reporters as may be attached to his department for such information required above, and any and all information not specified here but which may be germane to this resolution, as will make his report to this House of Representatives as of this date, February 26, 1917.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BRUMBAUGH offered the following resolution, which was twice read by the Clerk:

Whereas, The people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prefer the session of 1917 to be a short one; therefore

Be it resolved (if the Senate concur), That this General Assembly fix March 29th, 1917, as the last day for presenting bills and April 19th, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon for final adjournment.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the resolution?
The resolution was not agreed to.

QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. BRUMBAUGH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilegge.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Blair, Mr. Brumbaugh, will state his question.

Mr. BRUMBAUGH. Mr. Speaker, I find on page 206 of the Legislative Journal that I am recorded as voting "No." I was not present and desire to have the correction made.

The SPEAKER. The Chair instructs the Clerk to make the correction.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 3, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 392, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five authorizing and establishing a board of recreation for the creation organization care management conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-nine) by changing the number of the members of the Board of Recreation their length of term and the officers to be elected.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 493, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 260, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 618, entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain States of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 420, entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a Commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler Butler County and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 111, entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 374, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties" approved the twenty-fourth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 266, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act, approved the fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register, clerks and employes in the office of Register of Wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register of wills of said counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 432, entitled

An Act to amend Section 1 of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants, advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, shall be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine, so as to cause advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, to be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, or more, instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants, as required by the first act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads; and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 516, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control, and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees, commonly called the chestnut-tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof; and making an appropriation therefore," and the amendment to the same, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirteen).

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 517, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 518, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 519, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 520, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 521, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 522, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 523, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 524, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 526, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 527, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 528, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 529, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts of justices of record and not of record.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 530, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to estates of decedents.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 531, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens, and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to dentistry.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 533, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to domestic animals.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 534, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 539, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to municipalities.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 542, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 544, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 545, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 546, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 547, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 548, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 549, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 550, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 551, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 552, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 553, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to labor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 554, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 555, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 556, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 557, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 558, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 559, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 560, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 561, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen), entitled "A Supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act to prevent the destruction of timber,' and supplementary to the act, entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods,' passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue so derived, for school and road purposes." in so far as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 563, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors or roads, of trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade regulations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 568, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 569, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to servants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 570, entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin or Adams Counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 571, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to oaths and affirmations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 574, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 575, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public accounts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public offenders and employes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 577, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 578, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 579, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 580, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 582, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 674 (Senate Bill No. 23), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for and taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 511 (Senate Bill No. 155), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages and so forth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 497 (Senate Bill No. 37), entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the 24th day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen), entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract, to repair, build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars," by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 327 (Senate Bill No. 5), entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties, and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 329 (Senate Bill No. 6), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section first of the act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand and more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the eighth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 330 (Senate Bill No. 10), entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State Highways and State-aid highways, or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 331 (Senate Bill No. 12), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen, and providing penalties."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 319, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—165.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aron,	Erdman,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fackler,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Morgan, T. J.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Golder,	Murdoch,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Murphy,	Spangler,
Black,	Goodwin,	Neary,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Gormley,	Ogden,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Graham,	Patterson,	Stern,
Boyd,	Haight,	Perry,	Stites,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Helt,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Howarth,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Richards,	Wagner,
Conner,	Jack,	Ringler,	Walker,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rinn,	Walter,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rogers,	West,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dell,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Scott,	Zanders,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Donneley,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Showalter,	
Dunn,	McKinney,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 57, as follows:

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs making an appropriation for the work of revising compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing binding and mounting the same and for paper

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there shall be published by the State Printer on the order and under the direction of the Secretary of Internal Affairs sixteen thousand five hundred copies of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs Seven thousand eight hundred copies of which to be printed on heavy map paper one thousand copies to be printed on muslin mounted paper two hundred copies to be printed on heavy map paper without county colors and seven thousand five hundred copies in book form

Section 2 The distribution of the aforesaid revised edition of railroad maps shall be as follows

Five hundred copies in book form for the use of the Governor

One thousand six hundred copies printed on heavy map paper and one thousand copies in book form for the use of the Senate

Four thousand copies printed on heavy map paper and four thousand copies in book form for the use of the House of Representatives

Two thousand copies printed on heavy map paper one thousand copies printed on muslin-mounted paper two hundred copies printed on heavy map paper without county colors and one thousand eight hundred copies in book form for the use of the Department of Internal Affairs

Two hundred copies printed on heavy map paper and two hundred copies in book form for the State Library

Section 3 For the work of revising compiling and proof-reading said railroad maps and necessary expenses connected therewith the sum of four hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated For printing binding and mounting said railroad maps and for paper the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 120, as follows:

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen defining their powers and duties providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That upon the petition of not less than twenty-five taxpayers of any township of the second second class to the court of quarter sessons representing that the safety of the citizens and the security of property makes it necessary for the appointment of one or more electors to act as policemen the court shall consider said petition and if satisfied of the reasonableness and propriety of said application shall authorize the supervisors of said township to appoint one or more qualified electors to act as policemen and to serve at the will of said supervisors

Section 2 The court shall fix the number of policemen necessary the maximum compensation of such policemen and shall limit the term of service of said policemen as it may deem proper

Section 3 Each policeman so appointed shall possess and exercise all the powers of policemen of cities of this Commonwealth

Section 4 The keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups or station houses shall receive all persons arrested by such policemen for the commission of any offense against the laws of this Commonwealth within said township

Section 5 Each policeman when on duty shall wear a shield or badge with the words "Township Police" and the name of the township for which he was appointed inscribed thereon

Section 6 The said policeman shall be paid from the funds of said townships such compensation as may be fixed by the supervisors in accordance with the limitations prescribed by this act

Section 7 The act approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one fifty-six) entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of deputy constables vested with the power of policemen on petition of the citizens of any township by the court of quarter sessions of the counties of this Commonwealth" is hereby repealed in so far as it relates to townships of the second class

All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 270, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and sixty-one) which as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act relating to receiver's sales' approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven by providing the method of giving notice of sales under said act and the manner and effect of proving the giving of the same" approved April twenty-fourth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and fifteen) reads as follows

"Section 2 Notice of an intention to present such petition to the court shall be given by the petitioner by mailing at least ten days prior to the presentation of said petition postal cards or letters addressed to all known creditors and stockholders at their last known addresses containing a brief description of the property proposed to be sold the name of the purchaser the terms of the said sale and the date and place of presentation of the said petition and an averment under oath by the said petitioner in the said proceedings that such notice has been given in the manner aforesaid shall be considered evidence thereof" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 Notice shall be given to creditors stockholders and persons otherwise interested in the following manner Where it appears that the creditors stockholders and persons otherwise interested are so numerous that the expenses involved in giving personal notice to each of such parties would be excessive and against the interest of the estate the court may direct that notice by publication instead of personal notice be given of the presentation of the petition in such newspapers or legal publications or both as the court shall seem proper

If the court refuses to permit such notice by publication or if personal notice be not given prior to the presentation of the petition as hereinafter provided ten days personal notice of the filing the petition shall be given by the petitioner to each known creditor stockholder or person otherwise interested

Instead of the notices above provided personal notice of the intention to present such petition may be given to each known creditor stockholder or person otherwise interested ten days prior to the presentation of such petition to the court

The personal notice provided by this section shall be by mailing a postal card or letter to each creditor stockholder and party otherwise interested at his or her or its last known post office address An averment under oath by the petitioner in said proceedings that such personal notice has been given in the manner aforesaid shall be considered sufficient evidence thereof

All notices provided by this act whether personal or by publication shall contain a brief description of the property proposed to be sold the name of the purchaser the terms of the proposed sale and the date and place of presentation or proposed presentation of the petition

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments:

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Strike out of lines 27 and 28 on page 2, "in such newspapers or legal publciations, or both, as to the court shall seem proper," and insert the following: "in at least one newspaper of general circulation and the legal periodical, if any, designated by the rules of court for the publication of legal notices, and in such other newspapers as to the court shall seem proper."

Amend Section 1, page 3, line 4, by inserting after the word "filing" the word "of."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 That section three of an act entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven which reads as follows

"Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 All private sales of real estate made by receivers subsequent to the act approved April twenty-fourth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act relating to receiver's sales' approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and under said act and the manner and effect of proving the giving of the same" without notice by mailing being given as provided by the said amendment but where pursuant to an order of court notice of such proposed sale has been given by publication are hereby made good and valid and of the same force and effect for passing title to the real estate so sold as if strict compliance had been made with the conditions prescribed by the said act approved April twenty-fourth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

On the question,

Will the House agree to the Section?

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 4, line 7, by inserting after the word "and" the following: eleven by providing the method of giving notice of sales.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third and fourth sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 That the said act of May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended is hereby further amended by adding the following section
Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed
An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to, as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 199, entitled

An Act to amend section twelve of an act approved the eighteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred three) entitled "An Act to provide for the more effectual protection of the public health in the several municipalities of this Commonwealth."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twelve of an act approved the eighteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred three) entitled "An Act to provide for the more effectual protection of the public health in the several municipalities of this Commonwealth" which reads as follows
"Section 12 All principals or other persons in charge of schools as aforesaid are hereby required to refuse the admission of any child to the schools under their charge or supervision except upon a certificate signed by a physician setting forth that such child has been successfully vaccinated or that it has prevously had smallpox" is hereby amended to read as follows
Section 12 All principals or other persons in charge of schools as aforesaid are hereby required to refuse the admission of any child to the schools under their charge or supervision except upon a certificate signed by a physician setting forth that such child has been successfully vaccinated or that it has previously had smallpox or if it is shown by the sworn certificate of a regular practicing physician that the health or physical condition of the child is such that vaccination would endanger the life or health of the child but that the child is free from any contagious ailment or affection such child shall be permitted to attend school until such time as it may be vaccinated without danger to its life or health when the provisions of this section shall be enforced

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. E. R. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for further consideration.
Mr. SWARTZ. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 185, entitled

An Act amending section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts instead of imposing sentences the appointment of probation and parole officers and the payment of their salaries and expenses regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases and providing for their release on parole their conviction of crime during parole and their re-arrest and re-conviction for breach of parole and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries" approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third the maximum sentence.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts instead of imposing sentences the appointment of probation and parole officers and the payment of their salaries and expenses regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases and providing for their release on parole their conviction of crime during parole and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole and extending the powers and duties of board of prison inspectors of penitentiaries" which reads as follows
"Section 6 Whenever (any) person convicted in any court of this Commonwealth of any crime shall be sentenced to imprisonment in any penitentiary of the State the court instead of pronouncing upon such convict a definite or fixed term of imprisonment shall pronounce upon such convict a sentence of imprisonment for an indefinite term stating in such sentence the minimum and maximum limits thereof and the maximum limit shall never exceed the maximum time now or hereafter prescribed as a penalty for such offense Provided That no person sentenced for an indeterminate term shall be entitled to any benefits under the act entitled "An Act providing for the commutation of sentence for good behavior of convicts in prison penitentiaries workhouses and county jails in this State and regulations governing the same' approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one" is hereby amended to read as follows
Section 6 Whenever any person convicted in any court of this Commonwealth of any crime shall be sentenced to imprisonment in any penitentiary of this State the court instead of pronouncing upon such convict a definite or fixed term of imprisonment shall pronounce upon such convict a sentence of imprisonment for an indefinite term stating in such sentence the minimum and maximum limits thereof and the maximum limit thereof shall never exceed the mamimum time now or hereafter prescribed as a penalty for such offense and the minimum limit shall never exceed one-third of the maximum sentence prescribed by any court Provided That any convict in the State Penitentiaries who is now serving under a sentence or sentences imposed after the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven may when he or she shall have served one-third of such maximum sentence or sentences be eligible to parole under the provisions and subject to the conditions of the act to which this is an amendment And Provided further That no person sentenced for an indeterminate term shall be entitled to any benefits under the act entiled "An Act providing for the commutation of sentences for good behavior of convicts in prisons penitentiaries workhouses and county jails in this State and regulations governing the same" approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one

On the question,

Will the House agree to the Section?

Mr.WALKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 2, by inserting after "act" the following:—approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 1055).
Amend section 1, page 2, line 12, by striking out the brackets before and after "any."
Amend section 1, page 2 line 21, by striking out "autly" and inserting in lieu thereof "alty."
Amend section 1, page 3, line 14, by striking out "thirteenth" and inserting in lieu thereof "thirtieth."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title was separately read and agreed to as follows:

An Act amending section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts instead of imposing sentences the appointment of probation and parole officers and the payment of their salaries and expenses regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases and providing for their release on parole their conviction of crime during parole and their re-arrest and re-conviction for breach of parole and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of

penitentiaries" approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third the maximum sentence.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 141, as follows

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there shall be paid over to the organization or association constituting and having in charge the distribution of police pension funds in every city of the second class one and one-half per centum of all city taxes collected by the city other than taxes levied to pay interest on or extinguish the debt of the municipality or any part thereof

Section 2 The organization herein mentioned shall consist only of such as is by city ordinance designated as the official and authorized organization or association to hold receive and distribute the funds of moneys for the purpose of pensioning the police officers of said cities

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the city treasurer collecting said taxes to pay over to the proper officials of the said organization or association constituting the police pension funds annually the amount designated in this act taking his or their receipt for same which said receipt shall constitute a voucher and quittance for the amount so paid

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 375, as follows

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one thousand two hundred and ten of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent herewith" which reads as follows

Section 1210 The minimum salary of every teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth holding a professional or a State certificate who has taught successfully for two years and presents a certificate to that effect from the proper superintendent shall be fifty dollars ($50.00) per school month The minimum salary of every other teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth shall be forty dollars ($40.00) per school month" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1210 The minimum salary of every teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth shall be as follows Those teachers holding a provisional certificate forty-five dollars ($45.00) per school month those teachers holding professional certificates or normal certificates fifty dollars ($50.00) per school month and those teachers holding permanent certificates sixty dollars ($60.00) per school month

Section 2 That sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of said act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move this House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

The motion was agreed to and (at 10 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, February 27, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for all the powers with which we are endowed. We thank Thee for our ability to analyze and discover truth. We thank Thee for the splendid heritage we have here in these United States of America, and that from among ourselves men are selected to represent us and to look after all our interests. We pray that we may be able to discover that the greatest work that is set before us at all times is the building of manhood, and grant that in every way we possibly can we may supply the people with those things that they shall need, which shall inspire them to higher, fairer, and better living. Grant Thy special guidance to our President and those who are associated with him in the solution of the mighty problems that are before our Country at this time. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. CATLIN, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. JENKINS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Patton, for the balance of the week on account of illness.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SONES, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 347, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 21st day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory, building, rooms, or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1887, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 342, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June, 1913, entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motorboats, and providing a penalty;" giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act.

Mr. LEIBY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 317, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs, towns and townships, held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class; and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 318, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, three and five of article three of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the 27th day of June, A. D. 1913.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as amended Senate Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations, in certain cases, and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof, approved the 27th day of March, 1903 (Pamphlet Laws, Page 79).

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 233 (House Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 156, entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Also from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 344, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough,

city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 180, entitled

An Act granting compensation provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen, to the family of the late Joseph McHugh, of Weatherly, employed as a Game Warden, and killed while in the performance of his duties.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 333, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the Police Department in cities of the third class; providing for and regulating examinations; the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said Department, and providing a method for fixing compensation.

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners; and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CROW (at the request of Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 362, entitled

An Act relating to the names or titles of domestic and foreign corporations and limited partnerships.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. SASSAMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act to refund to the Sanitary Casket Protector Company, of Berks County, money erroneously paid as tax on capital stock.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers, reviewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny," approved the 13th day of March, A. D. 1872.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 365, entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny," approved the 8th day of May, A. D. 1855.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the Counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York, Mercer, Union, Huntingdon, Luzerne and Schuylkill," approved the 4th day of May, A. D. 1832; in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 367, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Columbia Hospital, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 368, entitled

A Further Supplement to an Act of Assembly approved the 7th day of June, A. D. 1879, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation," as supplemented by the Act of Assembly approved the first day of June, A. D. 1889, entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the 7th day of June, A. D. 1879," and the amendments and supplements thereto; providing for the imposition of a tax on capital stock and a license tax on corporations, limited partnerships and joint stock associations engaged in manufacturing.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 369, entitled

An Act to tax inheritances and the transfer of property of resident and non-resident decedents, by devise, bequest, descent, distribution by statute, gift, deed, grant, bargain and sale, except in certain cases.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 370, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act relating to unused streets, lanes and alleys," approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 371, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants, drunkards and other disorderly persons, in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 372, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, passed January twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county," approved the twenty-second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 373, entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny County, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny, incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company, relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River, authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown, relative to miners in Schuylkill County, legitimatizing James C. Collins, relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 374, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and three, entitled "An Act to further regulate the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings and party walls, in cities of the first class."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

RECESS.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CROW (for Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered; and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same; method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. MAGEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 377, entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, giving the courts power to enforce its provisions" approved the 14th day of May, Anna Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 378, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, and not more than one million two hundred thousand, inhabitants, to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of female children under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts, and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishment, maintenance, and management thereof," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 379, entitled

An Act creating a Bureau of Markets for agricultural products within the Department of Agriculture, providing for the appointment of a Director of Markets and for the administration of said Bureau, prescribing the powers and duties thereof, prohibiting marketing of such products contrary to the provisions of this act, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof, and making an appropriation to the Bureau hereby created.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, February 27, 1917.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday, March 12, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the resolution?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, the Senate yesterday adopted a resolution for adjournment until March 6. The House having passed a resolution to adjourn until March 12, I move to amend the resolution just read by adding at the end thereof the following: "And when the Senate adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March twelfth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen at nine o'clock.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate resolution from the Senate, as follows:

In the Senate, February 26, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Tuesday evening, March 6th, at 9.00 o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Tuesday evening, March 6th, at 9.00 o'clock.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Concurrent Resolution providing for a commission to investigate and report the increase in the cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life and to investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of living; empowering said commission to issue subpoenas and providing for the attendance of witnesses, and the penalty for failure to obey such subpoenas; empowering said commission to work and co-operate with like commissions of adjoining States.

He also presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, February 26, 1917.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives (if the Senate concur), That a commission be appointed by the Governor of this Commonwealth, to serve without compensation, to investigate and report the cause or causes of the increase in the cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life. Said commission shall have power to work and co-operate with like commissions from adjoining States, and shall, in any manner in which it may deem advisable, thoroughly investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life, and said commission shall not be limited in any manner whatsoever in its investigation; said commission shall report to the present session of the Legislature.

For the purpose of enabling said commission to carry out and perform its duties, the said commission shall have the right to sit in any part of this Commonwealth; and shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books, papers, and other evidence, at the meeting of the commission, and for that purpose may issue subpoenas, signed by the President of the commission and cause the same to be served and executed in any court of this Commonwealth; and if any witness shall refuse to testify any fact within his knowledge, or to produce any books or papers within his possession or under his control the Secretary of the commission shall forthwith report the facts of such refusal to the Court of Common Pleas of the county wherein such witness resides or wherein his attendance was required, and all questions arising upon such refusal shall at once be heard by said court. If the court determines that the testimony or evidence required by such witness be legal and properly competent and ought to be given or produced by him or her, then said court shall make an order commanding such witness to testify or produce books or papers or both, as the case may be; and if such witness shall thereafter refuse to testify or to produce books or papers, as aforesaid, in disobedience of such order of the court, then the said court shall have the power to order the commitment of such witness to the county jail of the proper county for contempt.

The said commission shall have power to call upon the Attorney General for such legal advice as it may require.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the resolution just read be committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 89.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 89, entitled "An Act appropriating to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the construction maintenance improvement and repair of State Highways and State aid highways all moneys derived from registrations and from license fees for the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and subsequent years under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen relating to and regulating motor vehicles and repealing the Act of Assembly of June eighteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen making appropriation to the State Highway Department in so far as said act provides that the appropriations thereby made shall include and not be in addition to the amounts received by the Commonwealth from said sources for registrations and licenses for the year beginning January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and years subsequent thereto."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 18.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 18 entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the executive judicial and legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen' as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the judicial departments by the act to which this is a supplement."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 27, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss Mary C. Manion, Pittsburgh.
R. T. Rossell, Pittsburgh.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

William T. Darr, Brookville.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

James E. Leonard, Philadelphia.

VENANGO COUNTY.

James W. Burns, Oil City.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Harry Laughrey, Scottdale.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 27, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Edward Evans, Etna, March 10, 1917.
Hambleton Fisher, Pittsburgh, March 23, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Winfred D. Lewis, Lansford, March 10, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

William Mundorff, Conoy Township, March 5, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

E. Laurence Webster, Philadelphia, March 10, 1917.
Lionel Teller Schlesinger, Philadelphia, March 11, 1917.
Frederick W. Ruppenthal, Philadelphia, March 12, 1917.
Bernhard Beerger, Philadelphia, March 22, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation the following nominations, made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth.

MEMBERS OF THE MINE INSPECTORS' EXAMINING BOARD.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, January 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Members of the Mine Inspectors Examining Board, for the term of four years to compute from February 26, 1917:

George S. Baton, Pittsburgh.
Robert H. Kay, Saxton.
E. A. Watters, Leechburg.
William H. Gates, Graceton.
Stephen Arkwright, Mount Pleasant.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Grover W. Boyd, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Donora, County of Washington, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Frank B. Hambry, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George D. Roberts, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Koppel, County of Beaver, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 20, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph N. Mohn, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Warwick, Lancaster County, vice Samuel M. Ruth, resigned, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1916.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, T. J. Keeler, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of LaPorte, County of Sullivan, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice, failure to qualify by person elected.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William T. Leek, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence in Atlantic City, N. J., for the term of five years to compute from date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees and to lie on the table for one day, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), the bill just reported from committee.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 221 (House Bill No. 61), entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Lynch,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Graff, J. F.,	Magee,	Warner,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Wasbers,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Weaver,
Crow,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Whitten,
Daix,	Homsher,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Jenkins,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem
Endsley,	Leiby,	Sproul,	

NAYS—3.

Sassaman,	Schantz,	Snyder, C. A.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 228 (House Bill No. 1), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the county of Armstrong.

Mr. HINDMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on New Counties and County Seats, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 346, entitled

An Act requiring counties in certain instances to assist townships of the second class in the construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of trunk roads, and providing the method of procedure.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 148, on third reading, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 157, on third reading, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate

the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 196, on third reading, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—23.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Craig,	Hindman,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Homsher,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Jenkins,	Sones,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Sproul,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—4.

Burke,	Magee,	Smith, R. E.,	Snyder, P. W.,

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the negative.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 202 (House Bill No. 95), as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York' approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the county of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to An Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the present directors (chosen in conformity to the act to which this as a supplement) be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon such site as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York and shall certify their proceedings to the clerk of the quarter sessions of said county which proceedings shall be filed in his office and shall have the same effect as if the same were or had been so determined by the trustees first appointed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the directors of the poor and of the House of Employment for the county of York whenever in the opinion of a majority of said directors the lands buildings and furnishings for maintaining the poor in said county of York are inadequate unsuitable and unsafe for the proper maintaining of the poor within the said county of York be and they are hereby authorized to meet and to determine and fix upon and to purchase such land or lands as to them or a majority of them may appear most eligible and suitable for the purpose of the erection of proper adequate and secure buildings for the employment and support of the poor in the county of York The said directors or a majority of them are authorized to have prepared plans and specifications for any building or buildings to be erected upon lands so purchased by the said directors and to cause the necessary buildings to be erected upon the said lands according to the said plans and specifications Provided however That before the said directors shall purchase any lands or let any contract for the erection of said buildings according to plans and specifications adopted they shall advertise in two or more newspapers of general circulation in the county of York for bids or offers of lands for said purposes and for bids for the erection of buildings on said lands according to the said plans and specifications and such purchase of lands plans and specifications and the letting of the contract or contracts for the erection of said buildings shall first be approved by the Court of Quarter Sessions of the County of York

To carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners of York county shall have the power and it shall be their duty to procure a loan at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum on estimates furnished by the said directors sufficient to furnish the necessary funds to purchase said lands pay for said plans and specifications to erect said buildings and furnish the same in connection with any sum or sums of money in the hands or control of the said directors of the poor and any sum of money realized from the sale of the site and buildings of the present almshouse together with all moneys now rightfully belonging to the poor board by whomsoever the same may be held or deposited which moneys shall be turned over to the use of the county commissioners for such purposes only

The directors of the poor with the approval of the court of quarter sessions of the County of York are authorized to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse and apply the proceeds of such sale as herein above directed

The said commissioners shall have the power and it shall be their duty to assess levy and collect together with other county rates and levies and on the same subjects of taxation an amount sufficient to gradually reduce the said loan and entirely cancel the same within thirty years Whenever the said buildings shall be finished and completed the said directors of the poor shall certify their procedings to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of said York County whereupon the said court shall appoint three competent and disinterested persons viewers to view and thoroughly examine said buildings and report to the court whether the said contract or contracts have been faithfully and fully performed and completed and until such report be so made final payment on said contract or contracts shall not be made and paid The said viewers shall be entitled to five dollars per day for each day necessarily engaged in the performance of their duties.

Section 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, owing to the fact that this bill applies to York County, I feel it incumbent upon myself to make some explanation of the reason why it should be passed. York County is operating under a special act of 1805. We are in need of a new house for the poor. Our present buildings are dilapidated, inadequate, unsanitary and firetraps, and this bill amends the act of 1805, to provide ways and means to bring this about. I trust that the Senators will vote for the bill.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Burke,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman.
Daix,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
DeWitt,	Magee,	Sones,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 210, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto"

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 225 (House Bill No. 7), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physicians of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Crow,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Magee,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

RECONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 201.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

was defeated on final passage.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I voted no.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I voted no.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 110, as follows:

An Act concerning transactions by banks and trust companies after twelve o'clock noon on Saturdays

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That nothing in any law of this Commonwealth shall an any manner whatsoever affect the validity of or render void or voidable the payment certification or acceptance of a check or other negotiable instrument or any other transaction by a bank or trust company in this State because done or performed or transacted on any Saturday between twelve o'clock noon and midnight provided such payment certification acceptance or other transaction would be valid if done or performed on or before twelve o'clock noon on Saturday

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to compel any bank or trust company in this State which by law or custom ceases to transact business at twelve o'clock noon on any Saturday to keep open for the transaction of business or to perform any of the acts or transactions aforesaid on any Saturday after such hour but all such business transactions shall be at the option of such bank or trust company

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 115, as follows:

An Act to promote uniformity in all courts of record in issuing writs and process for the beginning of civil actions

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when any civil action is begun in any court of record of this Commonwealth the original writs or process issued shall be the same as those issuable out of the courts of common pleas for the beginning of like actions but in all other respects the procedure in such actions shall be and remain the same as now provided by law

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 139, entitled

An Act relating to division fences in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class regulating the nature height materials and kind thereof defining the same and in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height except under a permit.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all suburban districts of cities of the first class whether the premises concerned in said districts be assessed at rural suburban or city rates wherever on improved premises a dwelling house has been or may be erected that is detached or semi-detached from the

dwelling house on the adjoining premises and that is separated from the street on which it fronts by an intervening front yard lawn or space no partition or division fence between such adjoining improved premises shall be required on or along that part of the boundary line that extends from the house line to the sidewalk or pavement Provided That nothing in this act shall prohibit any occupant or owner of any such premises from erecting a division fence on or along such part of said boundary line at his own cost and Provided that no such fence shall be more than four feet high without a permit therefor having been first obtained from the bureau of building inspection

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, on page 2, in line 4, by striking out the words "house line" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "building line of the said detached or semi-detached dwelling houses."

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to.

Section 2 That in the districts named in section one hereof the division fence between adjoining improved premises required by law may be boards palisades pickets palings iron or wire or may be a wall of brick stone or concrete or may be a hedge or a combination of any of these styles and materials as the owners or occupants of the said adjoining improved premises may agree Provided that no such fence shall be more than four feet high without a permit therefor having been first obtained from the bureau of building inspection

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 That if the owners or occupants of the said adjoining improved premises cannot agree upon the nature and style of the division fence required by law to divide their premises the bureau of building inspection on application of either of the parties concerned shall determine the same Provided that unless the owners or occupants otherwise agree the total cost of the fence so determined upon by the bureau of building inspection shall not exceed seventy-five cents per lineal foot and is to be borne equally between the parties and provided that where several premises adjoin in their rear or side the side line of a lot fronting upon another street or otherwise the owner or occupant of the latter lot shall not be required to have or pay for more than one style of fence on this boundary line and the division fence required in such case shall be of uniform style and materials throughout the length of the said lot

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, on page 3, line 9, by adding after the word "lot" the words "and provided that where by reason of its being located at a street corner the rear of one lot adjoins the side line of any lot the law shall remain as heretofore."

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 That owners or occupants of adjoining improved premises in said districts shall not be required to erect build plant keep or maintain any division fence whatever upon any part of their common boundary line if they agree to dispense with and be without the same

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 That so much of section four of the act of March first one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two that provided that "all partition fences dividing enclosed lands within the rural districts of the said city of Philadelphia shall be substantially made at least four feet six inches high and of sufficient rails or logs the bottom rail or log to be not more than eight inches above the ground and in the built-up portions of said city a tight board or palisade fence substantially built at least six feet high Provided the cost in the rural districts shall not exceed twelve cents per lineal foot and in the built-up portions of said city not exceeding twenty-five cents per lineal foot" that conflicts with the provisions of sections one two three and four hereof be and is hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, on page 3, in line 16, by striking out the word "first" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eleventh."

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act relating to division fences in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class regulating the nature height materials and kind thereof defining the same and in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height except under a permit

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 140, as follows:

An Act prohibiting the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class except under a permit declaring certain fences a private nuisance and their erection a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any improved premises in any suburban district of a city of the first class (whether the premises concerned be assessed at rural suburban or city rates) to erect any fence or structure resembling a fence upon any part of the front yard lawn or space of said premises or on or along the boundary line thereof of a greater height than four feet if the height in excess of the said four feet is unnecessary or if the same is maliciously erected elevated and maintained for the purpose of annoying the owner or occupant of the adjoining premises Every such fence or structure so maliciously erected elevated and maintained in excess of four feet in height shall be deemed and is hereby declared to be a private nuisance

Section 2 Any person or persons erecting and maintaining the fence or structure described in section one hereof as unlawful and prohibited shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and if convicted thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty days or not more than six months or by both fine and imprisonment to said respective amounts and extent at the discretion of the trial judge

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 161, as follows:

An Act relative to the payment of deposits in banks or trust companies deposited in two names

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever a deposit has been made or shall hereafter be made in any bank or trust company transacting business in this Commonwealth in the names of two persons such deposit or any part thereof or any interest or dividend thereon may in all cases be paid to either of said persons whether the other be living or not unless the persons making such deposit shall at the time of making such deposit enter into an agreement in writing with such banks or trust company providing specifically a different method in which such monies shall be paid out The receipt or acquittance of the person so paid by such bank or trust company shall in all such cases be valid and sufficient discharge to any bank or trust company for any payment so made

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 205, entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia county State of Pennsylvania to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin county for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the Treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by virtue of the power vested in it by the Constitution of Pennsylvania does hereby authorize and allow Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of the fee for wholesale liquor license for premises Number nine hundred and nine South Street Seventh Ward City and County of Philadelphia as required by and paid by said Louis Gumbiner to Murrell Dobbins treasurer of the city and county of Philadelphia on or about November twenty-first one thousand nine hundred and twelve in excess of or over and above the amount of and for said fee that was justly and legally due and payable together with legal interest on such excessive amount from the time of payment thereof Such suit shall be subject to the rules of pleading practice evidence and appeal as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defence available to it in the suit hereby authorized

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia County State of Pennsylvania to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 6 by inserting after the word "and" the word "city."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 212, as follows:

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all land now owned or hereafter purchased by the Commonwealth for State forests and which by existing law is exempt from taxation for county purposes shall be subject to an annual charge of one cent per acre for county purposes

Section 2 The Commissioner of Forestry shall draw his warrant in favor of the treasurer of each county for the amount due each county which said warrants after the approval of the Auditor General shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the counties in whose favor the same may be drawn

Section 3 That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 213, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any county city borough township school district or other muncipality or incorporated district within this Commonwealth to increase its indebtedness under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and under the acts amendatory thereof where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of the increase of indebtedness be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such county city borough township school district or other incorporated district did not by separate and independent action prior to the ordinance or vote in pursuance of which notice of the election was given to the electors signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or did not in the words of the act and amendments aforesaid authorizing such increase signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or where the ballots were not certified or signed by the county commissioners or were not printed on the official ballot after the list of candidates but were printed on separate ballots or where full complete and proper return of the votes was not made to the proper court or counted by the court and notwithstanding any defect or informality in the manner of giving notice of such election and notwithstanding any mistake in stating the amount of percentage of the existing debt or the percentage of the proposed increase All bonds issued or to be issued in pursuance of every such election are hereby made valid binding obligations of every such county city borough township school district or incorporated district Provided All the other requirements of the law concerning such election and issue of bonds have been complied with

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, on page 2, in line 12, by striking out "ote" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "vote."

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 217, as follows:

An Act preventing the manufacture sale or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens lead arsenates lime-sulphur compounds and other insectides and fungicides and regulating traffic therein providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture sell or offer for sale within the Commonwealth any insecticide or fungicide which is adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of this act

Section 2 That it shall be unlawful for any person to defraud any other person by misrepresenting the value of any treatment applied to trees shrubs vines or other plant material or to any animal for preventing destroying repealing or mitigating any insect fungous or bacterial disease or for accelerating its growth or productive power

Section 3 That the Secretary of Agriculture shall promulgate uniform rules and regulations for enforcing this act including the collection and examination by existing bureaus of insectides and fungicides manufactured or offered for sale in the Commonwealth for the purpose of determining whether such articles are adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of this act and if it shall appear after such examination that any of such specimens are adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of this act the Secretary of Agriculture shall cause notice thereof to be given to the person from whom such sample was obtained Any person so notified shall be given an opportunity to be heard at a designated time and place and if it appears that any of the provisions of this act have been violated the Secretary of Agriculture shall cause the certification of such facts to the proper court with a copy of the results of the analysis or examination authenticated by the analyst or expert under oath Results of analysis or examinations of insecticides and fungicides may be published under the direction of the Secretary of Agriculture

Section 4 That for the purpose of this act the word "person" shall include corporations companies societies associations partnerships or any individual or combination of individuals

Section 5 That the term "insecticide" as used in this act shall include any substance or mixture of substances intended to be used for preventing destroying repelling or mitigating any insects which may infest vegetation man or animals or households or be present in any environment whatsoever The term "paris green" as used in this act shall include the product sold in commerce as paris green and chemically known as the acete-arsenate of copper The term "lead arsenate" as used in this act shall include the product or products sold in commerce as lead arsenate and consisting chemically of products derived from arsenic acide (H^3AsO^4) by replacing one or more hydrogen atoms by lead That the term "fungicide" as used in this act shall include any substance or mixture of substances intended to be used for preventing destroying repelling or mitigating any and all fungi that may infest vegetation or be present in any environment whatsoever

Section 6 That for the purpose of this act an article shall be deemed to be adulterated

In the case of paris green first if it does not contain at least fifty per centum of arsenious oxide second if it contains arsenic in water-soluble forms equivalent to more than three and one-half per centum of arsenious oxide third if any substance has been mixed and packed with it so as to reduce or lower or injuriously affect its quality or strength

In the case of lead arsenate First if it contains more than fifty per centum of water second if it contains total arsenic equivalent to less than twelve and one-half per centum of arsenic oxid (As_2O_5) third if it contains arsenic in water-soluble forms equivalent to more than seventy-five one-hundredths per centum of arsenic oxid (As_2O_5) fourth if any substances have been mixed and packed with it so as to reduce lower or injuriously affect its quality or strength Provided however That extra water may be added to lead arsenate (as described in this paragraph) if the resulting mixture is labeled lead arsenate and water the percentage of extra water being plainly and correctly stated on the label

In the case of insecticides or fungicides other than Paris green and lead arsenate First if its strength or purity fall below the professed standard or quality under which it is sold second if any substance has been substituted wholly or in part for the article Third if any valuable constituent of the article has been wholly or in part abstracted fourth If it is intended for use on vegetation and shall contain any substance or substances which although preventing destroying repelling or mitigating insects or fungi shall be injurious to such vegetation when used

Section 7 That the term "misbranded" as used herein shall apply to all insecticides paris green lead arsenates or fungicides or articles which enter into the composition of insecticides or fungicides the package label or accompanying descriptive circulars of which shall bear any statement design or device regarding such article or the ingredients or substances contained therein which shall be false or misleading in any particular and to all insecticides paris greens lead arsenates or fungicides which are falsely branded as to the state territory or country in which they manufactured or produced

That for the purpose of this act an article shall be deemed to be misbranded

In the case of insecticides paris green lead arsenates and fungicides First if it be an imitation or offered for sale under the name of another article second if it be labeled or branded so as to deceive or mislead the purchaser or if the contents of the package as originally put up shall have been removed in whole or in part and other contents shall have been placed in such package third if the quantity of the contents be not plainly and correctly marked on the outside of the package in terms of weight measure or numerical count

In the case of insecticides (other than paris greens and lead arsenates) and fungicides First if it contains arsenic in any of its combinations or in the elemental form and the total amount of arsenic present (expressed as per centum of metallic arsenic) is not stated on the label second if it contains arsenic in any of its combinations or in the elemental form and the amount of arsenic in water-soluble forms (expressed as per centum of metallic arsenic) is not stated on the label Third if it consists partially or completely of an inert substance or substances which do not effectively prevent destroy or repel insects or fungi and does not have the names and percentage amounts of each and every one of such inert ingredients and the fact that they are inert plainly and correctly stated on the label Provided however that in lieu of naming and stating the percentage amount of each and every inert ingredient the producer may at his discretion state plainly upon the label the correct names and percentage amounts of each and every ingredient of the insecticide or fungicide having insecticidal or fungicidal properties and make no mention of the inert ingredients except in so far as to state the total percentage of inert ingredients present

Section 8 That any insecticide or fungicide that is condemned as being adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of this act shall be confiscated and disposed of by destruction or in such other manner as the court may direct

Section 9 Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act or any rule or regulation of the Secretary of Agriculture promulgated under this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction thereof be fined not to exceed two hundred dollars for the first offense and upon conviction for each subsequent offense be fined not to exceed three hundred dollars or sentenced to imprisonment for not to exceed one year or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court

Section 10 This act shall be in force after June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 11 The following act is hereby repealed

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the sale of paris green defining paris green prohibiting its adulteration providing for the collection of samples and analysis thereof by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same providing also for the expenses of the enforcement of the law and fixing penalties for its violation" approved the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine)

Section 12 All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 219, as follows:

An Act to authorize counties cities boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all counties cities boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts shall in the improvement of lands or in the erection alteration addition or repair of edifices and public buildings of any kind in said districts have the power to require of the contractor or contractors employed in and about said improvements a bond with sufficient surety or sureties providing in addition to the covenants thereof a covenant therein on separate bond for the payment of all labor and material entering into the said improvements

Section 2 The labor and material-men furnishing labor and material in and for said improvements upon the contract of said contractor shall have the right according to law to sue in an action of assumpsit in the name of the obligee for his or their use upon said bond upon proof of said contractor's failure to pay for said labor or material

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 229 (House Bill No. 32), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf a resident of the borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Lee Greenleaf a resident of the Borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania is authorized to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Lee Greenleaf by the Commonwealth by reason of injuries received in an accident which occurred on the State Highway leading from Williamsport to Ralston in Lycoming County Pennsylvania on the fifteenth day of October Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and sixteen

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 The suit hereby authorized shall be subject to the same rules of pleading and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it the suit hereby authorized

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 5, by inserting after the word "it" the word "in."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

On the question,

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf a resident of the Borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 262, as follows:

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants as shown by the last preceding decennial census of the United States the county controller is authorized to appoint one person learned in the law as his solicitor

Section 2 The said solicitor shall advise upon all legal matters that may be submitted to him and shall conduct any litigation when requested so to do by the controller The solicitor shall hold office for the term for which the controller was elected and shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per annum to be paid out of the county treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 265, as follows:

An Act authorizing Ida Collins a resident of Somerset County in her own right and in the right of her minor children to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Ida Collins a resident of Somerset County in the right of herself and in the right of her minor children is authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Ida Collins in her own right or in the right of her minor children arising out of the death of Wilbert Collins husband of the said Ida Collins and father of her said minor children while the said Wilbert Collins was driving along the State highway in Somerset County near Meyersdale

Section 2 The said suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 70, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May, A. D., 1911, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," the amendments intending to prevent any alteration in the standard subjects of common school education or any lowering of the nature thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 234 (House Bill No. 162), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time.

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 236 (House Bill No. 223), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time.

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 244, entitled

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the

duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that prosecutions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened; and providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of the violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act, any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations; and providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 244, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act requiring borough councils township commissioners and supervisors and directors of school districts of the second third and fourth classes to file the auditor's report in prothonotary's office requiring county commissioners to furnish the prothonotary with a book for such purpose and fixing the fees of the prothonotary.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 384 (House Bill No. 90), entitled

An act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 345, entitled

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. DeWITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. DeWITT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 380, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke, Luzerne County Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 381, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke, Luzerne County Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 382, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to John W. Eckenrode, of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by an injury to his minor son, James Robert Eckenrode, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 383, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice, of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by the death of their minor son, Benjamin Rice, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for fifteen minutes.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 61.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 61, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative departments not provided for by said act.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to resolution from the House of Representatives, as follows:

In the House of Representatives, February 27, 1917.
Resolved (if the Senate concur), That when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it be to reconvene on Monday March 12th, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M., and when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March 12, 1917, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 57 (Senate Bill No. 384), entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs making an appropriation for the work of revising compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing binding and mounting the same and for paper.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 120 (Senate Bill No. 385), entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class, by authority of the court, to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation; and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 270 (Senate Bill No. 386), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 141 (Senate Bill No. 387), entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 375 (Senate Bill No. 388), entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or many be inconsistent therewith."

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

BILL SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 61, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative departments not provided for by said act

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

RECESS.

Mr. HOMSHER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for five minutes.

Mr. MAGEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 27, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, A. W. Snader, to be a Notary Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with office in the Borough of New Holland, County of Lancaster, for the term of four years to compute from March 10, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Magee,	Sones,
Buckman,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Craig,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Monday, March 12, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 1.20 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, March 12, 1917, at 9 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, February 27. 1917.

The House met at 10.00 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Mr. Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, Thou knowest our every necessity before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; we beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities!

Merciful Father, hear us and of Thy Almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify with Thy word and Holy Spirit each one of us this morning!

Eradicate from our lives the dragnet of unworthiness, and enlighten our minds so that our sphere of usefulness shall be continually enlarged!

Have mercy upon us. confirm and strengthen us in the true faith and bring us to everlasting life! Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Lewis. the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 725.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania State College for educational extension work, and for maintaining a summer session for teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOULTON. House Bill No. 726.

An Act making an appropriation to the DuBois Hospital of DuBois, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BRUMBAUGH. House Bill No. 727.

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'The Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen,' to exempt domestic servants and agricultural workers from the provisions thereof," permitting such employers and employes to accept the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 729.

An Act making an appropriation to the German Protestant Home for Aged at Fair Oaks, Allegheny County Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 730.

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of cities of the second class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; making violations of its provisions to be misdemeanors, and providing penalties for violations thereof," approved May twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and seven, providing for the election of the Civil Service Commissioners and for their removal and fixing the term of office and their compensation.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 731.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the fourteenth day of June, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BRUMBAUGH. House Bill No. 732.

An Act requiring cities, borcughs and towns to display the name of such city, borough or town on all main highways entering the limits thereof.

Referred to the Committee of Public Roads.

By Mr. BRUMBAUGH. House Bill No. 733.

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of June, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An Act to protect children from neglect and cruelty, and relating to their employment, protection and adoption," so that it shall not apply to discipline in the public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 734.

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships, at the expense of the township of the properties benefitted."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 735.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners, county jailor, and jail physician, in counties having over eight hundred thousand, and less than one million five hundred thousand, inhabitants, according to the last preceding United States census."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. REITZEL. House Bill No. 736.

An Act to amend the third section of an act entitled "An Act providing for monthly returns and payments by county and city officers and prothonotaries of the Supreme Court of moneys received by them for the use of the Commonwealth" approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three; phoviding for proceeding in qua warranto against such officers for failure to file returns.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. GEARY. House iBll No. 737.

An Act making an appropriation to the Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 738.

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonewalth to inspect and repair county roads, improved and maintained by such counties, the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth, for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads, and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon, and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers, and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 739.

An Act making an appropriation to the Maternity Hospital, in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 740.

An Act making it not to be unlawful for men and women to organize to carry out collectively any purpose not illegal when done singly denying a judge or judges the right to issue an injunction in a labor dispute unless to prevent irreparable injury to property or to prevent picketing exclusively dealing payment of strike or other benefits and providing that no person shall be indicted or tried in any court for entering into any agreement between themselves with a view of lessening the hours of labor increasing wages or bettering the conditions of workingmen.

Referred to the Committe on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BENNINGER. House Bill No. 741.

An Act making an appropriatoin to the Truestees of the Easton Hospital, Northampton County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. NEARY. House Bill No. 742

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THOMAS. House Bill No. 743.

An act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Circle of Wilkes-Barre.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 744.

An Act making an appropriation to the Building Commission of the Western State Hospital for the Insane, located in Westmoreland County, for the construction of buildings for the said hospital and the improvement of buildings now located on the site thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 745.

An Act to further amend sections twenty-four hundred and one, twenty-four hundred and two, and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 746.

An Act making an appropriation to the Waynesburg Hospital, of Waynesburg, Greene County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 747.

An Act making an appropriation to the Carbondale Emergency Hospital, Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HEFFERNAN. House Bill No. 748.

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stock, and upon deliveries of transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations, co-partnership associations, and joint-stock associations, providing the manner of collecting such tax, and prescribing penalties," by exempting from the provisions thereof stock of building and loan associations, sales, agreements to sell or memoranda of sales, deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock of such associations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 749.

An Act to amend and supplement an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles, controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providnig for their registration and licensing of certain operators by the State Highway Department, prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles or licensing of any operator or regulating the speed of motor vehicles by any county, borough, city, incorporated town or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles, providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles, regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom, providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act, prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder," approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Referred to the Committe on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WEIMER. House Bill No. 750.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Widows and Single Women of Lebanon and Lebanon County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REICHENBACKER. House Bill No. 751.

An Act to fix the compensation for members of the General Assembly.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. OLIVER W. SMITH. House Bill No. 752.

An Act to amend section one, three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers there;n and repealing, consolidating, and extending laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. OLIVER W. SMITH. House Bill No. 753.

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs, towns and townships, held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class; and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 754.

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 755.

An Act making an appropriation to the Passavant Hospital, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 756.

An Act to amend an act approved the nineteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred seventy-four, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a special detective officer in any of the several counties of this Commonwealth," as supplemented by an act approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the appointment of a special detective officer in any of the several counties of this Commonwealth,' approved May nineteenth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, making said special detective officers general police officers, with powers conferred on constables in cases of crime and criminal procedure, and providing for their compensation."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 757.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Indiana.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 758.

An Act fixing the salary of the clerk of the county commissioners in counties having a population between one hundred thousand and one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 759.

An Act relating to the admission of attorneys-at-law to practice in the several courts of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committe on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 760.

An Act making an appropriation to the Sylvan Heights Home for Orphan Girls, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 761.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in Indiana County.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 762.

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 763.

An Act to amend section one, of Article one of Chapter VII of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 764

An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of buildings for a State hospital for the insane to be erected east of the Allegheny Mountains and to be known as the Eastern State Hospital for the Insane; providing for the management of the same and making an appropriation for the purchase of said site, and the preparation of plans for the construction of buildings for the said hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BENNINGER House Bill No. 765.

An Act making an appropriation to the Easton Hospital, at Easton.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 766.

An Act making an appropriation to pay for the care, treatment, removal and maintenance of the indigent insane for the two years ending the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred nineteen.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 767.

An Act providing for the establishment of a State Home for Persons Suffering with Incurable Diseases, authorizing the purchase of a site and the erection thereon and the equipment of the necessary buildings; providing for the admission of persons thereto and for the government and management of said institution, and making an appropriation to carry out the purposes of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 768.

An Act to refund to Friedman Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, money paid for a license to sell oleomargarine.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. CHESTNUT. House Bill No. 769.

An Act to amend section two hundred and twenty-five of article two of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 770.

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners' inquests; and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. STERLING, from the Committee on Constitutional Reform, reported as amended House Bill No. 243, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. STERLING, from the Committee on Constitutional Reform, reported as amended House Bill No. 244. entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act requiring State, County and Local Fair Associations to provide on the grounds used for fair or exhibition purposes, a sufficient number of public comfort stations or toilets; requiring the same to be kept in a sanitary condition and providing penalties for violation of this act.

Mr. WICKMAN, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 308, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by an animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

Mr. BECHTOLD, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as commited House Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth, in State hospitals for the insane,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three," as amended; by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

Mr. MARVIN, from the Committee on Appropriations. reported as amended House Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to further carry out the provisions of the act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (P. L. 938), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the Port of Erie by dredging the said basins; for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins, and erecting certain walls in the same; for the protection of the said State canal basins, with harbor of Erie; authorizing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements; and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public, and kept in repairs."

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 675 (Senate Bill No. 74), entitled

An Act defining Optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Mr. DAWSON, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported with a negative recommendation House Bill No. 587, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six and section nine of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pensylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended House Bill No. 728, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high cost of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. PERRY, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital, located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

The SPEAKER. The Chair re-refers House Bill No. 422 (Senate Bill No. 33), which has been returned from the Judiciary Local Committee, to the Committee on Education.

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled, "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty, both inclusive.

The SPEAKER. The Chair re-refers House Bill No. 678 (Senate Bill No. 186), which has been returned from the Judiciary Special Committee, to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto providing for the regulating examinations the manner appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation of a secretary.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Appropriations, returned House Bill No 728, with the recommendation that it be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor.

The SPEAKER. This bill is re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. WEST offered the following resolution which was twice read as follows:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Resolved, When the House of Representatives adjourn this week (if the Senate concur), it be to reconvene March 12, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following amendment to the resolution.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend the resolution to read "that when the House adjourns this week it shall be to meet again on March 6, at nine o'clock P. M."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, in offering this amendment to the resolution it is with the kindlest feelings toward my Democratic friends on the other side of the House, and with the warmest admiration for the President of these United States, but when it comes to our notice that there are a number of resolutons before this House, and before the Senate, to investigate he high cost of living, and when we find it to be true that men, women and children are starving around us I do not believe that Mr. Wilson himself would sanction this Legislature's taking any unnecessary recess out of respect to himself. I therefore move that the amendment be agreed to.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I favor the amendment offered by the gentleman from Armstrong. We are here to work and if we are to accomplish anything looking to an early adjournment we must keep at our work. Four years ago out of deference to our Democratic friends we adjourned on Thursday, February 27, and reconvened on March 5, remaining in session until Friday, March 8, during which time a large number of bills were passed finally.

Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I hope that this resolution will prevail. There are reasons for this——

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The Gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, my point of order is that the gentleman is discussing the resolution, and we are now discussing the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Columbia will proceed.

Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. The reason for this is this: You realize that if we convene on Tuesday it is a question whether many of the members who will go to the inauguration will be able to get back by Tuesday. Secondly, if we wait until Wednesday it is a question of whether there will be a quorum in this House. Third, we ask as a matter of courtesy to the minority party that this amendment does not prevail.

Mr. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, I am opposed to these resolutions. The Constitution does not permit us to adjourn for more than three days at any time. We have been concurring in these resolutions and failing to get the business of the House attended to, and I think we ought to proceed to business. We can meet here until Friday and adjourn for the inauguration until Tuesday and then come back. Hence I am opposed to the resolution.

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I do not have a great deal of interest in this amendment, but I want to be understood as in no way being favorable to holding up the work of this session, but I really feel that there is very little for us to do anyhow, even if we do come here. You know we have been coming here week after week and our work has not been ready. I do not see the necessity of compelling these men to come here week after week, and after we do come here sitting here for a few hours and then going home again. It is an immense expense to the members who come from the far corners of the State, and if our work is not ready, as it appears not to be, and if we are not ready to do business, as it evidently appears, I can see no harm in postponing this and letting it go over to March the twelfth. I do not ask this particularly simply as a matter of courtesy to the minority members, but I feel it is uncalled for and unnecessary, as has been stated before, that we have a meeting next week or a session next week. It will be slimly attended and I doubt whether a quorum of members will be here to do business. I think we might as well, in view of the conditions as they are, I think we might as well let the matter go over until March twelfth and then get down to real work and business. I think we ought to do that. The argument on the other side is that the people of Pennsylvania are starving and that we ought not to be out of session at this time. What good are we if we are here? What good can we do them? How can we help them? I trust that you will let this go over until March twelfth and then let us come back and get down to business, working three or four days a week, attend to our business and then go home.

Mr. STRAUSS. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I would ask the gentlemen on the other side to yield to this resolution gracefully. It is not a question when we do our work just so long as it is done well, but to rush pell mell and do any kind of work is not doing good work. Many bills have been introduced here, and these bills ought to be taken home to the constituents of the different members and explained to them. I am asked about them every time when I go home, about this bill and that bill that they want to know about. We should inform them. We on this side of the House will go over to Washington and we will have our ceremonies there on Monday. We will naturally stay over until Tuesday and could not be here until Wednesday. We know, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, that you can pass this amendment if you choose to, but it will not benefit any citizen of the State of Pennsylvania; it will not benefit any piece of legislation here; it will not hinder or forward any piece of legislation here, and we can do the work, the real work that is to be done, just as well if we adjourn until March twelfth as we can if we adjourn until March sixth.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I only want to call the attention of the members of the House at this time to statements which have been made several times during the course of this discussion, and as a member of this House I take exception to that particular statement, and that is that if this House should convene on March sixth there would not be a quorum of members present to transact business. I believe that is an insult which we are offering to ourselves. I do not believe that the members of this House, if this House should resolve to come back here on Tuesday night of next week, would absent themselves and not present a quorum here to do business. I believe we have been elected and will come here to attend to our duties. The Senate, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen, have very wisely said that we might reconvene next week on Tuesday night. The gentlemen on the other side are telling us that we will accomplish nothing by convening next Tuesday night. I believe that we will. I believe that we will accomplish a great deal if we come back on Tuesday night and work on whatever matters this House has to do. If the session only lasts for a day or two, let us come back here and we will have ample time to do our work as is upon the calendar. I hope that this amendment will prevail.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, many people will have the opportunity to see this House in session many times, but inasmuch as this is the last time perhaps in the history of men now living that we will ever again see a Democratic inauguration, I hope that the amendment will be defeated.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Milliron and Mr. George W. Williams and were as follows:

YEAS—62.

Albee,	Dell,	Jennings,	Siggins,
Aston,	Dewey,	Kennedy,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Eby,	Lohr,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fackler,	Marvin,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Smith, L.,
Bovee,	Fowler,	McKay,	Snyder,
Brady,	Franklin,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Brumbaugh,	Gans,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Canon,	Glass,	Mitchell,	Walker,
Chestnut,	Golder,	Ogden,	Wallace,
Clements,	Goodnough,	Ramsey,	Walter,
Cook,	Goodwin,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Corbin,	Helt,	Richards,	Wickman,
Cox,	Hibshman,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Davis, D. F.,			

NAYS—108.

Aron,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sones,
Bechtold,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bell,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bennett,	Hollern,	Neary,	Stern,
Benninger,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Stites,
Beyer,	Horne,	Patterson,	Stoffiet,
Bidelspacher,	Hough,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Boulton, H.,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Bouton, V. B.,	Jack,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Taylor,
Christman,	Lanius,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Laucks,	Rich,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Vickerman,
Curry,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Vogdes,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wagner,
Dawson,	McArdle,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Ross,	West,
Donneley,	McCullough,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Drake,	McKinney,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	McVicar,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dunn,	Mearkle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Erdman,	Mehring,	Scott,	Wynne,
Fretz,	Mervine,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Geary,	Michel,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Shunk,	
Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Simpson,	
Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,	

So the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the original resolution?

It was adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION INVITING HOUSE TO ATTEND INAUGURATION.

Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Whereas, The inauguration of the President of the United States will take place March 5th, 1917;

Therefore, be it resolved, That the Speaker and members of the House of Representatives be invited to participate in the ceremonies of said occasion.

(Signed) MINORITY PARTY.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, February 26, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Tuesday evening, March 6th, at 9.00 o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Tuesday evening, March 6th, at 9.00 o'clock.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move to strike out all after the first words "nine o'clock."

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution as amended?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, February 26, 1917.

Be it resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the General Assembly of Pennsylvania hereby enters a protest against the bill now pending in Congress, Section five hundred of which reduces the tax on mixtures or compounds heretofore known as oleomargarine, from ten cents a pound to two cents a pound; and

Be it further resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Chief Clerk of the House and Senate to the Senators and each Member of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

Mr. WHITAKER in the Chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs making an appropriation for the work of revising compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing binding and mounting the same and for paper

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—169.

Albee,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aron,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Black,	Graham,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Musser,	Stites,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Horton,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Cox,	Hough,	Rich,	Walker,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Richards,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jack,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Curry,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dale,	Jones,	Rinn,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	
Fackler,	McKay,	Showalter,	
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class, by authority of the court, to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation; and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—151.

Albee,	Drake,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Drinkhouse,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aston,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Barner,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Bechtold,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Bell,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Glass,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Golder,	Milner,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Black,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Herman,	Neary,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Patterson,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Richards,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jones,	Rininger,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Walker,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Robertson,	Wallace,
Curry,	Laucks,	Ross,	Walter,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	West,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Donneley,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,

NAYS—8.

Davis, W.,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Wickman,
Eby,	Marvin,	Smith, E. R.,	Williams, G. W.

The majority reqnired by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 270, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and sixty-one) which as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act relating to receiver's sales' approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven by providing the method of giving notice of sales under said act and the manner and effect of proving the giving of the same" approved April twenty-fourth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and fifteen) reads as follows

"Section 2 Notice of an intention to present such petition to the court shall be given by the petitioner by mailing at least ten days prior to the presentation of said petition postal cards or letters addressed to all known creditors and stockholders at their last known addresses containing a brief description of the property proposed to be sold the name of the purchaser the terms of the said sale and the date and place of presentation of the said petition and an averment under oath by the said petitioner in the said proceedings that such notice has been given in the manner aforesaid shall be considered evidence thereof" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 Notice shall be given to creditors stockholders and persons otherwise interested in the following manner Where it appears that the creditors stockholders and persons otherwise interested are so numerous that the expenses involved in giving personal notice to each of such parties would be excessive and against the interest of the estate the court may direct that notice by publication instead of personal notice be given of the presentation of the petition in at least one newspaper of general circulation and the legal periodical if any designated by the rules of court for the publication of legal notices and in such other newspapers as to the court shall seem proper

If the court refuses to permit such notice by publication or if personal notice be not given prior to the presentation of the petition as hereinafter provided ten days personal notice of the filing of the petition shall be given by the petitioner to each known creditor stockholder or person otherwise interested

Instead of the notices above provided personal notice of the intention to present such petition may be given to each known creditor stockholder or person otherwise interested ten days prior to the presentation of such petition to the court

The personal notice provided by this section shall be by mailing a postal card or letter to each creditor stockholder and party otherwise interested at his or her or its last known post office address An averment under oath by the petitioner in said proceedings that such personal notice has been given in the manner aforesaid shall be considered sufficient evidence thereof

All notices provided by this act whether personal or by publication shall contain a brief description of the property proposed to be sold the name of the purchaser the terms of the proposed sale and the date and place of presentation or proposed presentation of the petition

Section 2 That section three of an act entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven which reads as follows

"Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 All private sales of real estate made by receivers subsequent to the act approved April twenty-fourth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act relating to receiver's sales' approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven by providing the method of giving notice of sales under said act and the manner and effect of proving the giving of the same"

without notice by mailing being given as provided by the said amendment but where pursuant to an order of court notice of such proposed sale has been given by publication are hereby made good and valid and of the same force and effect for passing title to the real estate so sold as if strict compliance had been made with the conditions prescribed by the said act approved April twenty-fourth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

Section 3 That the said act of May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended is hereby further amended by adding the following section

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—170.

Albee,	Eby,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Erdman,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Fackler,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Barner,	Franklin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bell,	Gans,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Bennett,	Golder,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boulton, H.,	Graeff,	Neary,	Stites,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Bovee,	Haight,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Boyd,	[illegible]man,	Perry,	Swartz,
Brady,	Hecht,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Powell,	Thomas,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Horne,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Rich,	Wagner,
Conner,	Hough,	Richards,	Wallace,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ringler,	Walter,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rinn,	Wells,
Crosby,	Jones,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wickman,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dale,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dawson,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dell,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dewey,	McCaig,	Scott,	Zanders,
Dithrich,	McCullough,	[illegible]ttuck,	Baldwin,
Donneley,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Drake,	McKay,	Shunk,	
Drinkhouse,	McKinney,	Siggins,	
Dunn,	McPeake,	Simpson,	

NAYS—3.

Bidelspacher,	Jack,	West,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the queston was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 185, as follows:

An Act amending section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts instead of imposing sentences the appointment of probation and parole officers and the payment of their salaries and expenses regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases and providing for their release on parole their conviction of crime during parole and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries" approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third the maximum sentence

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section six on an act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and fifty-five) entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts instead of imposing sentences the appointment of probation and parole officers and the payment of their salaries and expenses regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases and providing for their release on parole their conviction of crime during parole and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries" which reads as follows

"Section 6 Whenever any person convicted in any court of this Commonwealth of any crime shall be sentenced to imprisonment in any penitentiary of the State the court instead of pronouncing upon such convict a definite or fixed term of imprisonment shall pronounce upon such convict a sentence of imprisonment for an indefinite term stating in such sentence the minimum and maximum limits thereof and the maximum limit shall never exceed the maximum time now or hereafter prescribed as a penalty for such offense Provided That no person sentenced for an indeterminate term shall be entitled to any benefits under the act entitled "An Act providing for the commutation of sentence for good behavior of convicts in prison penitentiaries workhouses and county jails in this State and regulations governing the same' approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 6 Whenever any person convicted in any court of this Commonwealth of any crime shall be sentenced to imprisonment in any penitentiary of this State the court instead of pronouncing upon such convict a definite or fixed term of imprisonment shall pronounce upon such convict a sentence of imprisonment for an indefinite term stating in such sentence the minimum and maximum limits thereof and the maximum limit thereof shall never exceed the maximum time now or hereafter prescribed as a penalty for such offense and the minimum limit shall never exceed one-third of the maximum sentence prescribed by any court Provided That any convict in the State Penitentiaries who is now serving under a sentence or sentences imposed after the thirtieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven may when he or she shall have served one-third of such maximum sentence or sentences be eligible to parole under the provisions and subject to the conditions of the act to which this is an amendment And Provided further That no person sentenced for an indeterminate term shall be entitled to any benefits under the act entiled "An Act providing for the commutation of sentences for good behavior of convicts in prisons penitentiaries workhouses and county jails in this State and regulations governing the same" approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—90.

Albee,	Dawson,	Hough,	Mitchell,
Aron,	Dean,	Howarth,	Neary,
Aston,	Dell,	Isherwood,	Palmer,
Baker,	Dewey,	Jack,	Patterson,
Barner,	Drinkhouse,	Jennings,	Reynolds,
Bell,	Dunn,	Jones,	Rinn,
Bennett,	Eby,	Kennedy,	Robertson,
Beyer,	Ehrhardt,	Lauler,	Rogers,
Bidelspacher,	Fackler,	Lewis,	Ruddy,
Boulton, H.,	Fitzgibbon,	Marvin,	Shattuck,
Bouton, V. B.,	Fowler,	Maurer,	Siggins,
Bovee,	Franklin,	McArdle,	Smith, L.,
Brady,	Gans,	McCullough,	Spangler,
Brumbaugh,	Geary,	McCurdy,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, T.,	Glass,	McKay,	Sterling,
Coldsmith,	Golder,	McVicar,	Stern,
Conner,	Gormley,	Mearkle,	Stites,
Cox,	Hecht,	Mehring,	Strauss,
Crosby,	Helt,	Michel,	Thomas,
Cummins,	Hibshman,	Miller, C. G.,	Walker,
Curry,	Horne,	Milliron,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Horton,	Milner,	Williams, J. P.,
Davis, W.,			

NAYS—60.

Baldridge,	Heyburn,	Rich,	Steedle,
Bechtold,	Hollingsworth,	Ringler,	Stofflet,
Benchoff,	Lanius,	Ross,	Swartz,
Black,	Laucks,	Rothenberger,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Lohr,	Sampsel,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Luppert,	Sarig,	Ulsh,
Christman,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Urich,
Cook,	McPeake,	Shunk,	Wallace,
Dithrich,	Mervine,	Simpson,	Walter,
Drake,	Murdoch,	Smith, E. R.,	Weimer,
Erdman,	Musser,	Smith, F. I.,	Wells,
Fretz,	Ogden,	Snyder,	West,
Goodwin,	Pickering,	Somerman,	Wobensmith,
Graham,	Ramsey,	Sones,	Wood,
Haldeman,	Reitzel,	Speicher,	Wynne,

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the bill falls.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 141, entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—170.

Albee,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	[illegible]rman,	Ogden,	Stern,
Boyd,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Powell,	Thomas,
Conner,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Cummins,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—4.

Baldridge,	Canon,	McCurdy,	Somerman,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171.

Albee,	Eby,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aston,	Erdman,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fackler,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Christman,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Cook,	Jack,	Rich,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walter,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wells,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rinn,	West,
Curry,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—3.

Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Somerman,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 3, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia county for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby granted to the purchase by the government of the United States of certain tracts of land in all aproximately twenty-eight acres in extent adjoining the Frankford Arsenal in the city and county of Philadelphia for an addition to the said arsenal said tracts of land being more particularly described as follows

One beginning at a point in the middle of Tacony Street corner of land of Kensington and Tacony Railroad at the distance of two hundred and two feet eight inches northeast from the northeast line of Sanger Street Thence extending southeastwardly along said line on a line curbing toward the right with a radius of fourteen hundred and eighteen feet a distance of one hundred and thirty-two feet and three-eights of an inch to a point thence still along said land the following three courses and distances (1) South thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East thirteen hundred and twenty-seven feet nine and one-fourth inches to a point (2) on a line curving toward the right with a radius of four hundred and sixty-three feet a distance of four hundred and ninety-one feet nine and one-half inches and (3) south twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West three hundred and twenty-six feet six inches to a corner in the lines of land of the said railroad and the United States of America "Frankford Arsenal" thence along the said last mentioned land the following three courses and distances North thirty-nine degrees fifty-seven minutes fifty-seven seconds West nine hundred and six feet and two and three-eights inches to a point North twenty-five degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West four hundred and eighty-nine

feet and eleven and seven-eighth inches to a point and north twenty-eight degrees fifty-nine minutes fifty-seven seconds West six hundred and twenty-five feet eight and one-eighth inches to the said middle line of Tacony Street and thence along the same north fifty-four degrees twenty-seven minutes three seconds East four hundred and eighty-seven feet and nine inches to the place of beginning containing twenty-three acres and seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-five ten-thousandths of an acre more or less

One other beginning at a point on the southeasterly line of the said Kensington and Tacony Railroad and a point on the southwesterly line of land now or late of Edwin H. Fitler thence by land of said Edwin H. Fitler South thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East one hundred and ninety-five feet nine and five-eighths inches to a point in the Bulkhead line of the River Delaware approved by the War Department of the said United States of America on the fourth day of September 1908 thence by said line south thirty-four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds west five hundred and forty-one feet and one-eighth of an inch to a point thence north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds west forty feet five and seven-eighth inches to a point a corner of the said United States of America and thence north thirty-nine degrees fifty-seven minutes fifty-seven seconds west sixty-three feet five and one-fourth inches to a point in the said southeasterly line of said Kensington and Tacony Railroad and thence along the same north twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds east six hundred and twenty-eight feet ten and seven-eighth inches to place of beginning containing one acre and eight thousand six hundred and thirty ten-thousandths of an acre of land

And the other of them beginning at a point in said bulkhead line first above mentioned and the southwesterly line of land of the said Edwin H. Fitler Thence south thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds east three hundred and four feet five and one-eighth inches to a point in the pierhead line approved by the said War Department on the date aforesaid thence along the same south thirty-four degrees four minutes forty-four seconds west two hundred and sixty-two feet nine and three-eighths inches to a point thence still along said pierhead line north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds west three hundred and thirty-one feet four and one-fourth inches to a point in the said bulkhead line and thence along the same North four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds east five hundred and forty-one and one-eighth of an inch to the place of beginning containing two acres and six thousand two hundred and eighty ten-thousandths of an acre more or less

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments:

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Add thereto on the eighth line, after the word "Arsenal," the words "for Arsenal purposes."

Line 10, after the word "one" add the words "of them."

Line 11, after the word "of" add the word "the."

Line 14, change the word "curbing" to the word "curving."

Page 2, line 11, add after the word "land" the letter "s."

Line 18, add after the word "seven-eighth" the letter "s."

Line 27, add after the word "other" the words "of them."

Page No. 3, line 3, change word "five-eighth" to "five-eighths."

Line 10, change the word "Seven-eighth" to "Seven-eighths."

Line 11, change the word "thrity" to "thirty."

Line 17, add after the word "to" the word "the."

Amend Section 1, page 3, line 10, by striking out "a" after "point" and inserting in lieu thereof "at."

Page No. 4, line 16, add to the word "process" the letters "es."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 Exclusive jurisdiction over the lands so purchased is hereby ceded to the United States by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and said lands shall be exempt from the payment of all taxes state and local Provided That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall retain a concurrent jurisdiction with the United States over the lands so acquired by the United States for the purpose of serving all civil processes and Provided further That such criminal process as may issue under the authority of the Commonwealth against any person or persons charged with crimes committed without the area so acquired may be executed therein in the same manner as though this cession had not been granted

The title was read as follows:

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 1, amend the title by adding thereto after the word "land," on the fourth line, the following: And providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 392, as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five authorizing and establishing a board of recreation for the creation organization care management conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and thirty-nine) by changing the number of the members of the board of recreation their length of term and the officers to be elected

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same. That section two of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five authorizing and establishing a board of recreation for the creation organization care management conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-nine) which reads as follows

"Section 2 The board of recreation shall consist of the mayor the director of the department of public health and charities and five (5) resident citizens who shall be appointed by the mayor Those first selected shall be appointed two for the term of one year and two for the term of two years and one for the term of three years from the first Monday of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years from the date of expiration of their predecessors' terms or at the pleasure of the mayor except in the case of appointments to fill vacancies during the term which shall be for the unexpired portion thereof All such appointees may be removed by the mayor at his pleasure" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 The board of recreation shall consist of the mayor the director of the department of public health and charities and seven (7) resident citizens who shall be appointed by the mayor those first selected shall be appointed four (4) for the term of one year and three (3) for the term of two years from the first Monday of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years from the date of the expiration of their predecessors' term or at the pleasure of the mayor except in the case of appointments to fill vacancies during the term which shall be for the unexpired portion thereof All such appointees may be removed by the mayor at his pleasure

Section 2 That section three of said act which reads as follows

Section 3 The members of the board of recreation shall serve without compensation and from their own number shall elect a president secretary and other necessary officers to serve for one year or until their successors are elected The board of recreation shall have power to adopt rules of procedure and prescribe regulations for the conduct of all business within its jurisdiction Four (4) members of the board shall constitute a quorum The president shall have power to sign warrants and perform such other execu-

tive duties for the board as it shall authorize him to perform The council of said cities shall appropriate annually the funds that they deem necessary for the maintenance and operation of said department and from time to time such additional funds as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The members of the board of recreation shall serve without compensation and from their own number shall elect a president vice-president and such other officers as they may deem necessary to serve for one year or until their successors are elected The board of recreation shall have power to adopt rules of procedure and prescribe regulations for the conduct of all business within its jurisdiction Four (4) members of the board shall constitute a quorum The president shall have power to sign warrants and perform such other executive duties of the board as it shall authorize him to perform and in his absence the vice-president shall have the power to perform the duties of the president The secretary and other officers selected by the board shall have the power to perform such duities as may from time to time be prescribed by said board The councils of said cities shall appropriate annually the funds that they deem necessary for the maintenance and operation of said department and from time to time such additional funds as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 493, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the head of the Department of Public Safety in each city of the second class shall divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities excepting the chief engineer and assistant chiefs into two bodies or platoons one to perform day service and the other to perform night service The hours of day service shall not exceed ten commencing at eight o'clock in the morning the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen commencing six o'clock in the afternoon In cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency the chief engineer of the bureau of fire or the assistant chief deputy or chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary No member of either of said platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day platoon or fourteen hours in the night platoon excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency as above provided" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the head of the Department of Public Safety in each city of the first and second class shall divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities excepting the chief engineer and assistant chiefs into two bodies or platoons one to perform day service and the other to perform night service The hours of day service shall not exceed ten commencing at eight o'clock in the morning the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen commencing six o'clock in the afternoon In cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency the chief engineer of the bureau of fire or the assistant chief deputy or chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary No member of either of said platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day platoon or fourteen hours in the night platoon excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency as above provided

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 3, line 6, by inserting after the word "shall" the words "from and after the first Monday of May one thousand nine hundred seventeen."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was separately read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 260, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth

The first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That councils in cities of the first class are hereby empowered to authorize the director of supplies in such cities to purchase or procure without public advertisement for bids and without entering into written contracts materials or commodities to the value of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) provided that written bids therefor be first invited from at least three persons firms or corporations regularly engaged in the business of manufacturing dealing in furnishing or supplying the same and provided further That when a patented or proprietary article is to be purchased or procured the director of supplies in said cities of the first class may be permitted to accept one bid from the patentee or the person firm or corporation controlling the patented or proprietary article required which bid shall be accompanied with an affidavit stating that the prices quoted are the lowest at which said articles are sold to any one in the open market

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 Whenever advertised bids are received for furnishing materials or commodities for a stated period and the amount or amounts appropriated and available are not sufficient to cover the requirements for the period stated in the advertisement said councils in cities of the first class may authorize the director of supplies to continue said contract or contracts when further appropriations are made and become available for that purpose or when further requirements become necessary for the period stated and this authorization shall set forth in the said contract or contracts and shall be binding upon the parties affixing their signatures thereto

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 2, page 2, line 14, by inserting "be" after "shall."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed
An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 618, as follows:

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the waters of Lake Erie within the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth is hereby closed for a period of five years to the catching of or fishing for Sturgeon Such five year period shall commence to run from the time of the adoption or passage of the last rule order resolution or statute by the Province and States hereinafter designated
Section 2 No person shall catch or fish for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth during the closed season provided by the preceding section of this act
Section 3 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in a summery proceeding before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall be sentenced for each offense to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100.00) or to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding one year or both
All fines imposed under this section shall be paid to such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace and by such officer immediately sent to the Commissioner of Fisheries at Harrisburg together with a statement of the prosecution in which the fine was imposed and for which statement such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace is allowed the sum of fifty cents All moneys arising from such fines shall immediately on its receipt be paid by the Commissioner of Fisheries into the State Treasury
Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed
Section 5 The provisions of this act shall not become effective until a rule order or regulation shall be adopted by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada and a statute shall be passed by each of the states of New York and Ohio which rule order regulation or statutes shall prescribe a similar closed season under penalty for catching or fishing for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie respectively under the jurisdiction of the said Province of Ontario and the states of New York and Ohio

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 420, entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler Butler County and making an appropriation.

The first section and preamble were read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the Committee on Centennial Affairs of the House of Representatives the Committee on Exposition Affairs of the Senate and a committee to be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce of the borough of Butler are constituted a Commission on Centennial Affairs to assist in the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the borough of Butler in the county of Butler which celebration is to be held during the week commencing May twenty-seventh one thousand nine hundred and seventeen
Whereas The borough of Butler in the county of Butler was incorporated by an act of Assembly approved the twenty-sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred and seventeen and
Whereas It is the intention of the citizens of said borough to properly celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of said borough and
Whereas It is fitting and proper that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its citizens should be given a part in said celebration therefore

The title was read as follows:

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler Butler County and making an appropriation.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. McCULLOUGH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend the title by striking out the words "and making an appropriation" at the end of the title.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 111, as follows:

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the minimum salary of all uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon shall be one thousand dollars ($1,000) per annum payable semi-monthly
Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 374, as follows:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania
Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof
Amend section six of article eight of the Constitution of the Commonwealth which reads as follows
"Whenever any of the qualified electors of this Commonwealth shall be in actual military service under a requisition from the President of the United States or by the authority of this Commonwealth such electors may exercise the right of suffrage in all elections by the citizens under such regulations as are or shall be prescribed by law as fully as if they were present at their usual places of election" so that it shall read as follows
Whenever any of the qualified electors of this Commonwealth shall be in actual military service under a requisition from the President of the United States or by the authority of this Commonwealth or whenever any of the qualified electors of this Commonwealth shall be unavoidably absent from their lawfully designated election districts on the day of the holding of any election by reason of their duties business or occupation such electors may

exercise the right of suffrage in all elections by the citizens under such regulations as are or shall be prescribed by law as fully as if they were present at their usual places of election

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 282, as follows:

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section ten of an act entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and three) which reads as follows

"Section 10 That from and after the passage of this act all contracts made by the commissioners of said county involving an expenditure exceeding one hundred dollars shall be in writing and shall immediately after their execution be filed with the controller but no contract shall be made nor the payment thereof certified by the controller for over one hundred dollars unless when made with the lowest and best bidder after due notice to be published by the controller when directed by the commissioners if he approve the purpose of the proposals invited all bids to be received by the controller under seal and to be in his presence opened by the commissioners and the contracts awarded of which awards the controller shall keep a record and he shall certify no warrants for contracts not made agreeably thereto" shall be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 10 All contracts made by the commissioners of said county involving an expenditure exceeding one hundred dollars shall be in writing and shall immediately after their execution be filed with the controller but no contract shall be made nor the payment thereof certified by the controller for over five hundred dollars unless made with the lowest responsible bidder after due notice to be published by the controller when directed by the commissioners all bids to be received by the controller under seal and to be in his presence opened by the commissioners and the contracts awarded of which awards the controller shall keep a record and he shall certify no warrants for contracts not made agreeably thereto

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 266, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register clerks and employes of the office of register of wills of said counties.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An act to fix the salaries of the deputy register clerks and employes of the office of register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" which now reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the salaries or compensation of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States census shall be as follows deputy register at the rate of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum one chief clerk seventeen hundred dollars one assistant chief clerk sixteen hundred dollars one bookkeeper and cashier fifteen hundred dollars transcribing clerks recording clerks inventory clerks index clerks compare clerks miscellaneous clerks and stenographer each at twelve hundred dollars per annum custodians of records and a messenger each at one thousand dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the salaries or compensation of the dtputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States census shall be as follows Deputy register at the rate of thirty-five hundred dollars per annum one chief clerk two thousand dollars one assistant chief clerk eighteen hundred dollars one bookkeeper and cashier eighteen hundred dollars one chief account clerk eighteen hundred dollars one chief compare clerk twenty-two hundred dollars one assistant chief compare clerk eighteen hundred dollars compare clerks transcribing clerks recording clerks inventory clerks index clerks miscellaneous clerks temporary clerks search clerks account clerks and stenographer each fifteen hundred dollars per annum custodians of records and a messanger each at twelve hundred dollars per annum one janitor at seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws

On the question,

Will the House agree to the Section?

Mr. J. W. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 6, by striking out the word "of" in the beginning of the line and inserting in lieu thereof "in."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 6, by inserting "the" before "register."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register of wills of said counties.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. J. W. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 4, by striking out the word "eleven" and inserting in lieu thereof "seven."

Amend title, line 6, by inserting before "register" the word "the."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole being in this case dispensed wth,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 432, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter in all counties of the Commonwealth having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants every notice or advertisement required by law or rules of court to be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall also be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly in said county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices if such newspaper exists Publication in such legal newspaper shall be made as often as required to be made in such newspapers in general circulation and shall be subject to the same stipulations and regulations as those imposed for the like services upon all newspapers Provided That nothing herein contained shall be construed to require the publication in such legal newspapers of municipal ordinances mercantile appraisers' notices advertising for bids for contracts for public work or lists of delinquent taxpayers" be and the same is amended so as to read as follows

Secton 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter in all counties of the Commonwalth having one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more every notice or advertisement required by law or rules of court to be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall also be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly in said county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices if such newspaper exists Publication in such legal newspaper shall be made as often as required to be made in such newspapers in general circulation and shall be subject to the same stipulations and regulations as those imposed for the like services upon all newspapers Provided That nothing herein contained shall be construed to require the publication in such legal newspapers of municipal ordinances mercantile appraisers' notices advertising for bids for contracts for public work or lists of delinquent taxpayers

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be consdered in Committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under write of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera.

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first Monday of January nineteen hundred and eighteen the fee for jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county n this Commonwealth having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings or upon any proceedings or by virtue of any writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth directing an inquest or requiring the services of jurors the fee for the services performed by said jurors shall be the sum of three dollars and fifty cents for each and every session at which said juror shall be in attendance

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under write of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amending title by striking out in line two of title after "county," the following words "having a population of over five hundred thousand."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question.

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 104, as follows

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department

Whereas An act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen providing for United States aid in the construction of State rural post roads and

Whereas The act of Congress providing for said aid requires the States receiving the benefits of said act to signify their assent to the same and

Whereas The Governor of the Commonwealth in accordance with the provisions of said act has already signified the assent of this Commonwealth to the purposes and conditions thereof pending the action of the State Legislature therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby given to the act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" with all its provisions and conditions

Section 2 The State Highway Department through its head the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to enter into all necessary contracts and agreements with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of said act of Congress

Section 3 The Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this act to the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second iime and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No 515, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act supplementary to an act relative to burial grounds and cemeteries situated in incorporated boroughs approved the nineteenth day of May eighteen hundred and seventy-four changing the title of said act and authorizing the court to make orders and decrees required by the act and to enforce the same by process approved the thirteenth day of May eighteen hundred and seventy-six further empowering courts to direct removal of remains in boroughs and cities from burial grounds where interments have ceased and such remains interfere with religious buildings or trusts" approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-four)

An act entitled "An act to provide that one burial permit shall be a sufficient authority for interment in a cemetery that is partly within the limits of two or more municipalities" approved the second day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws forty-four number twenty-nine)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 516, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two) entitled "An act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention control and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees commonly called the chestnut-tree blight providing for the destruction of trees so affected creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof and making an appropriation therefor" and the amendment to the same approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirteen)

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two) entitled "An act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention control and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees commonly called the chestnut-trees blight providing for the destruction of trees so affected creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof and making an appropriation therefor" and the act approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirteen) entitled "An act to amend the first section of an act entitled 'An act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention control and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees commonly called the chestnut-tree blight providing for the destruction of trees so affected creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof and making an appropriation therefor' approved June fourteen one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws page nine hundred twenty-two) extending the provisions thereof in certain cases to other species of trees" are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 517, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An act entitled "An act relative to guardians of minor children" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-three)

An act entitled "An act to enable executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest their trust moneys" approved the eighteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws twenty-five)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act relating to orpans' courts approved March twenty-ninth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy (Pamphlet Laws forty-five number twenty-five)

An act entitled "An act entitled "An act relating to the investment of trust fnuds" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-two (Pamphlet Laws thirty-one number nineteen)

An act entitled "A further supplement to an act incorporating the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-two (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred thirty-three number seven hundred ninety-nine)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act relating to orphans courts approved March twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws fifty-nine number thirty-six)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 518, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to agriculture

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers" approved the twenty-eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eighty)

An act entitled "An act to prevent the spread of the disease in peach trees known as the yellows" approved the twenty-sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-four)

An act entitled "An act to amend section five of an act entitled 'An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers' approved June twenty-eighth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine so as to provide for the payment of expenses of taking samples of commercial fertilizers and expenses incident to carrying into effect the provisions of the law relative to the manufacture and sale of the same" approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five)

An act entitled "An act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An act to reguiate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers' approved June twenty-eighth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine so as to change the time for filing the papers required by the act to enable the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture to issue the certificates required by the act instead of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and to extend the time of certificates expiring July thirty-first one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five" approved the twenty-sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty-five)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 519, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That the following acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An act entitled "The law about killing of wolves" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (Volume two page eighty-five Statutes at Large Chapter sixty-nine)

An act entitled "An act to encourage the killing of squirrels within this province" approved the fourth day of February one thousand seven hundred forty-nine (Volume five page sixty-eight Statutes at Large Chapter three hundred seventy-six)

Section three (Section five Pamphlet Laws) of an act entitled "A supplement to the act for raising of county rates and levies" approved the first day of October one thousand seven hundred seventy-nine (Volume nine page four hundred two Statutes at Large Chapter eight hundred fifty-one)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An act to encourage more effectually the destruction of wolves and panthers" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fourteen)

An act entitled "An Act to repeal an act entitled 'An Act for the destruction of wolves wildcats foxes minks hawks weasels and owls in this Commonwealth' approved June twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five so far as relates to foxes minks hawks weasels and owls" approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixteen)

An act entitled "An Act to amend the provisions of the first section of an act approved May thirteen one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven entitled 'An Act for the destruction of wolves and wildcats" approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws fifty-four)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 520, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one and three of an act entitled "An Act requiring the banks of this Commonwealth to make quarterly statements to the Auditor General and for other purposes" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and twenty-one)

Sections one two three four five and six of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the resumption of specie payments by the banks of this Commonwealth and for other purposes" approved the twelfth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws sixty-eight)

Paragraph one of a resolution entitled "Resolutions to prevent a further subscription by the banks to the loan authorized by the act of fourth May eighteen hundred and forty-one and to provide for the redemption in gold and silver coin of the relief notes" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and ninety-three)

Sections eight nine eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen eighteen and nineteen of an act entitled "An Act to extend the charter of the Commercial Bank of Pennsylvania" approved the twenty-sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-four (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and nineteen)

An act entitled "An Act to establish a system of free banking in Pennsylvania and to secure the public against loss from insolvent banks" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and fifty-nine)

Entire act except section thirty-six entitled "Supplement to an act to establish a system of free banking in Pennsylvania and to secure the public against loss from insolvent banks approved march thirty-one one thousand eight hundred and sixty" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred sixty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and three number four hundred and seventy-three)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight ten eleven twelve and thirteen of an act entitled "An Act enabling the banks of this Commonwealth to become associations for the purpose of banking under the laws of the United States" approved the twenty-second day of August one thousand eight hundred sixty-four (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and seventy-seven)

An act entitled "A further supplement to an act to establish a system of free banking in Pennsylvania and to secure the public against loss from insolvent banks approved March thirty-first one thousand eight hundred and sixty" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws fifty-three)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 521, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections two and three of an act entitled "An Act more effectually to prevent and punish extortion and for other purposes" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eleven)

An act entitled "An act to further regulate the admission of attorneys and counsellors at law to practice in the several courts of this Commonwealth" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws sixteen number eighteen)

An act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled 'An Act to further regulate the admission of attorneys and councellors at law to practice in the several courts of this Commonwealth' approved the seventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five" approved the nineteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-one)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 522, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections two and twelve of an act entitled "An Act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purposes of inland navigation" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and one)

An act entitled "An Act requiring canal companies to make yearly reports to the Auditor General" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-four)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 523, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to civil procedure

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one and three of an act entitled "An Act for taking lands in execution for the payment of debts where the sheriff cannot come at other effects to satisfy the same" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (one Smiths Laws seven)

An Act entitled "The law about court proceedings and summons" approved the twenty-seventh day of November

one thousand seven hundred (Volume two page one hundred twenty-eight Statutes at Large Chapter ninety-two)

An Act entitled "An Act for determining of debts under forty shillings" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page one hundred eighty-nine Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred and thirty)

An Act entitled "An Act about attachments" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (one Smiths Laws forty-five)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act for defalcation" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (one Smiths Laws forty-nine)

Sections one three and five of an act entitled "An Act for taking lands in execution for payment of debts" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (one Smiths Laws fifty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act to rectify proceedings upon attachments" approved the second day of March one thousand seven hundred twenty-three (Volume three page three hundred thirty-nine Statutes at Large Chapter two hundred sixty-three)

Sections two and three of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for taking lands in execution for payment of debts and for confirming partitions in several instances heretofore made'" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand seven hundred sixty-four (one Smiths Laws two hundred sixty-two)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act for prevention of frauds and perjuries" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand seven hundred seventy-two (one Smiths Laws three hundred eighty-nine)

An act entitled "An Ordinance to compel debtors in certain cases to give security to their creditors" approved the thirteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred seventy-six (Volume nine page twenty-one Statutes at Large Chapter seven hundred thirty-four)

An act entitled "An Act to secure the persons employed in the building and fitting ships and vessels for sea by making the body tackle apparel and furniture of such ships and vessels liable to pay the several tradesmen employed in building and fitting them for their work and materials" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four (two Smiths Laws page ninety-five)

An act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the more speedy and effectual administration of justice'" approved the twenty-eighth day of February one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven (two Smiths Laws three hundred ninety-seven Chapter one thousand two hundred fifty-two)

An act entitled "A Supplement to the several laws of this Commonwealth respecting attachments" approved the twenty-eighth day of September one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine (two Smiths Laws page five hundred two Chapter one thousand four hundred thirty-four)

Section five of an act entitled "An Act relating to sheriffs and coroners" approved the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine (Volume thirteen page three hundred sixty-eight Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand four hundred fifty-two)

Sections eight eleven twelve and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act to establish the judicial courts of this Commonwealth in conformity to the alterations and amendments in the Constitution" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smiths Laws page twenty-eight)

An act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to secure the persons employed in the building and fitting ships and vessels for sea by making the body tackle apparel and furniture of such ships and vessels liable to pay the several tradesmen employed in building and fitting them for their work and materials'" approved the ninth day of February one thousand seven hundred ninety-three (three Smiths Laws eighty-nine)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to supply certain defects in the acts incorporating the city of Philadelphia and sundry towns and boroughs within this Commonwealth and to explain and amend an act entitled 'An Act to alter and amend the several acts of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth incorporating the city of Philadelphia and for other purposes'" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-nine (three Smiths Laws three hundred ninety)

Section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to enable the Justices of the Supreme Court to hold circuit courts within this Commonwealth'" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twenty-three)

Section one two four seven ten and eleven of an act entitled "An Act to regulate Arbitrations and Proceedings in Courts of Justice" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred fifty-eight)

Section four of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to alter the Judiciary System of this Commonwealth' and to alter the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions and Orphans Court in the County of Washington" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws eight)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen seventeen and eighteen of an act entitled "An Act to alter and amend the several Laws of this Commonwealth relative to Domestic Attachments" approved the fourth day of December one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one thousand eight hundred eight)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen and eighteen of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate Arbitrations and Proceedings in Courts of Justice'" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-five)

An act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to alter and amend the several laws of this Commonwealth relative to domestic attachments'" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-two Chapter one hundred four)

Sections two three four five six seven eight nine eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen eighteen nineteen twenty twenty-one twenty-two twenty-three twenty-four twenty-five twenty-six and twenty-seven of an act entitled "An Act regulating arbitrations" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act regulating arbitrations" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eighty-seven Chapter sixty-five)

An act entitled "An Act to extend to coppersmiths brassfounders coopers and venders of sail cloth certain advantages secured to sundry tradesmen employed in building and fitting ships and vessels for sea" approved the fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws ninety)

An act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act regulating arbitrations'" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-two)

An act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for taking lands in execution for the payment of debts and for confirming partitions in several instances heretofore made'" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act relative to the entry of writs of testatum fieri facias service of writs of scire facias and relative to payment of costs on appeals from before Justices of the peace and for other purposes" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-eight)

An act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act regulating Arbitrations'" approved the twenty-third day of February one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws twenty-seven)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act to prevent the destruction of timber and supplementary to the act entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods' passed eighteenth of April eighteen hundred and ninety-four" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-two)

An act entitled "An Act concerning writs of scire facias" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-four)

Sections one two and three of an act entitled "An Act relative to the distribution of money arising from sheriffs and coroners sales and relative to the duties of the auditor general and county commissioners" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-one number one hundred ninety-two)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of the poor" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-five)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act requiring county treasurers to give bonds with security to the Commonwealth for the faithful discharge of certain duties and to repeal certain laws relating to treasurers bonds" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-one)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to the service of process by sheriffs and to the appointment of tipstaves in the city and county of Philadelphia" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act concerning the acknowledgment of sheriffs' and coroners' deeds in certain cases" approved the seventeenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five number forty-five)

An act entitled "An Act entitled 'A Further Supplement to 'An Act for taking lands in executions'" approved the third day of May one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Phamphlet Laws four hundred four number one hundred sixty-five)

An act entitled "A Supplement to an act passed the twenty-second March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventeen entitled 'An Act relative to suits brought by or against corporations'" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight number forty-four)

Sections ten and eleven of an act entitled "An Act relative to supervisors in Loyalsock township Lycoming County and collectors in certain townships in Fayette County and for other purposes" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-two)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt and for other purposes" approved

the ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty)

An act entitled "An Act relative to suits brought by and against canal and railroad companies" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws three hundred ninety-five)

Sections two and thirty-seven of an act entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-eight)

Sections thirty seventy-three seventy-five and ninety-six of an act entitled "An Act relating to executions" approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred fifty-five)

Section five of a resolution entitled "Resolutions relating to the Warren Bridge Company and for other purposes" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-five)

Section thirty-two of an act entitled "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to punish fraudulent debtors" approved the twelfth day of July one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty-nine)

Section six of an act entitled "An Act to confer upon the Orphans' Court of Lancaster County certain powers in relation to the real estate of John Lindsmuth deceased and for other purposes" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-one

Section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgments of deeds and sequestrations of life estates" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twelve)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act relative to Courts of this Commonwealth" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws five hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act extending the right of trial by jury to certain cases" approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred sixty-five)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to Judgments and Executions in Foreign Attachments" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws five hundred thirty-two)

An act entitled "A supplement to the act of sixteenth June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six entitled 'An Act relating to Executions'" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-eight)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act relating to the Commencement of Actions" approved the fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws seventy-nine number eighty-three)

An act entitled "Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act regulating railroad companies' approved February nineteenth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine" approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred six number ninety-four)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act relating to railroad companies and common carriers defining their liabilities and authorizing them to provide means of indemnity against loss of life and personal injury" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight)

An act entitled "An Act relating to return of writs and other process in courts which are abolished or changed by the provisions of the constitution" approved the twenty-second day of January one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws three number one)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act of the General Assembly approved the seventeenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine entitled 'An Act relative to fraudulent debtors'" approved the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-nine)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part threof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 524, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one two three four five and eight of an act entitled "An Act to prevent the hunting of deer and other wild beasts beyond the limits of the lands purchased of the Indians by the proprietaries of this province and against killing deer out of season" approved the ninth day of April one thousand seven hundred sixty (one Smith's Laws two hundred twenty-seven Chapter four hundred fifty-six)

An act entitled "An Act for the better preservation of game and insectiverous birds" approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-eight (Pamphlet Laws three hundred seventy-one)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act for the better preservation of game approved April twenty-first Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred forty number six hundred thirty-four)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act for the better preservation of game and insectiverous birds approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws fifty-one)

An act entitled "An Act providing for the taking of game" approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws eighty-four)

Sections one to sixteen inclusive of an act entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws eighty-nine)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three entitled 'An act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish'" approved the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws twenty-six)

An act entitled "An act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred four)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish' approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-six" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws forty-five number forty-four)

An act entitled "An act regulating the hunting and killing of web-footed wild fowl" approved the seventeenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-four number twenty-four)

An act entitled "An Act to permit the killing at any season of the year of the small bird known as the English sparrow" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws sixty-eight number fifty-nine)

An act entitled "An Act to amend part of an act entitled 'An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish' et cetera with the supplements thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-three number one hundred fifty)

An act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled 'An Act regulating the hunting and killing of web-footed wild fowls' approved May seventeenth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws eight number nine)

An act entitled "An act to amend the ninth section of an act entitled 'An act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish'" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-nine)

An act entitled "An Act to amend the ninth section of an act entitled 'An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to game and game fish" approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws fifty-three number fifty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act prohibiting the killing or taking of song and wild birds except in certain cases and providing a penalty therefor" approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighteen)

An act entitled "A supplement to an act approved May fourteenth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine entitled 'An act prohibiting the killing or taking of song and wild birds except in certain cases and providing a penalty therefor' amending the first sixth and eighth sections thereof" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws twenty)

An act entitled "An Act for the better protection of game and game mammals game birds song and insectiverous

birds limiting the number of game birds and game mammals to be killed by any one person in one day or in one season prohibiting the sale of the same and the shipment thereof out of the State and providing penalties for the violation thereof" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the title to an act approved the fourth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven" approved the sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-three number one hundred forty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the owners and lessees of real estate within this Commonwealth to kill hare or rabbits upon their own premises at all seasons of the year" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws seventy-three number forty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of game-quadrupeds and game birds and song insectiverous and other wild birds and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-eight)

An act entitled "An Act regulating the hunting and killing and possession of wild water-fowl in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and prescribing penalties for the violation of its provisions" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws sixty-three number fifty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act to provide for the better protection of deer in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws seventy)

An act entitled "An Act to provide for the taking or killing of rabbits or hares in this Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws seventy-two)

An act entitled "An Act to amend sections six and twenty-three of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of game game-quadrupeds and game-birds and song and insectiverous and other wild birds and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions' approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five changing the open season for ruff-grouse commonly called pheasant prohibiting the killing of game birds in the night time limiting the kinds of guns to be used in killing game regulating prosecutions for the violation of the provisions of this act and the disposition of the fines and penalties imposed therefor" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws seventy-four)

Sections two three and four of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the better protection and preservation of song and insectiverous birds and other wild birds and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions" approved the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-six)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decisions shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 525, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An act entitled "An Act to prevent deception in the sale of butter and cheese" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws eighty-seven number one hundred twelve)

An act entitled "An Act to prevent the adulteration of milk and prevent the traffic in impure and unwholesome milk" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-four)

An act entitled "An Act to prevent the adulterations of and the traffic in impure and unwholesome milk in cities of the second and third classes" approved the seventh day of July one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty)

An act entitled "An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine and other similar products to prevent fraud and deception by the manufacture and the sale thereof as an imitation of butter the licensing of manufacturers of an dealers in the same and providing punishment for violations of the act and the means for its enforcement" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-one)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 526, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section twenty-nine of an act entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate with its supplements the act entitled 'An Act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars before a justice of the peace and for the election of constables and for other purposes" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eight)

Section three of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to amend and consolidate with its supplements the act entitled 'An Act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars before a justice of the peace and for the election of constables and for other purposes'" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-one)

An act entitled "An Act relative to constables fees" approved the second day of January one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws five number six)

An act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to amend and consolidate with its supplements the act entitled 'An Act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars before a justice of the peace and for the election of constables and for other purposes'" approved the fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws thirty-six)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act relative to supervisors in Franklin County to elections of constables to school district in Jefferson County to voting in Mifflin County to the extension of certain road laws in Susquehanna County to the West Chester turnpike road in Delaware County to prevent the destruction of fish in Somerset County to township line in Mercer County to East Brunswick school district in Schuylkill County to Casely ferry in Warren County and to hawkers and peddlers in Lancaster County" approved the ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eight)

Section twelve of an act entitled "An Act extending the time for the completion of the Hollidaysburg and Bedford turnpike road relative to the collection of certain taxes in Huntingdon County authorizing Greensburg and Mount Pleasant to subscribe stock in a plank road company to the sale of malt liquors in the city and county of Philadelphia to certain school districts in Erie and Warren counties and confirming a certain power of attorney to George Morris Knevelt" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-six)

An act entitled "An Act authorizing empowering and directing the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to pay to the constables of their respective counties for the services rendered by such constables in making returns to court of elections attending special borough township or ward elections and traveling expenses incidental thereto since the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six in all cases where the same remain unpaid" approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-five)

An act etnitled "An Act authorizing empowering and directing the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to pay to the constables of their respective counties for the services rendered by such constables in making returns to the court and for attending general special borough township or ward elections and traveling expenses incident thereto since the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven in all cases where the same remain unpaid" approved the second day of July one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred nine)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 527, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are aboslutely repealed namely

Section three of an act entitled "An Act relative to suits brought by or against corporations" approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to turnpike road and bridge companies" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-two)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act relative to turnpike road and bridge companies in which the State holds stock' passed twenty-seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four and for other purposes" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-four)

Section one and two of an act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act regulating turnpike and plank road companies' approved January the twenty-sixth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine" approved the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-one)

Section eleven of an act entitled "An Act to vest in Margaret Van Horn of Juniata County the right of this Commonwealth to the estate of Mary Ann Hellings of Bucks county and relative to ten-pin alleys in Mifflin county confirming a road view in Union county changing the name of Mary Ann Vanzandt of Mifflin county for the relief of William Latherow relative to holding elections in Fermanagh and Turbit townships in Juniata county to authorize the administrator of Jacob Soles junior to make a deed to extend the general manufacturing law to the manufacture of vitrified iron legitimating Amanda Beighley Fletcher of Butler county relative to corporations under the general manufacturing act renting real estate and to streets in Blairsville and relative to the Erie gas company" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor to issue letters patent in certain cases" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-two number four hundred ninety-three)

An Act entitled "An act requiring railroad companies to make uniform reports to the Auditor General" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-eight)

An act entitled "An Act relating to the publication of notice of the proposed acts of incorporation of this Commonwealth" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten number five hundred twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to the organization of co-operative associations for the purpose of carrying on any mechanical mining manufacturing or trading business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred number sixty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing mining and manufacturing companies or other organized companies or individuals to give and banks or other organized companies or individuals to take and hold mortgages on real estate to secure payment of notes bills and renewals thereof" approved the seventeenth day of February one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-five number eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize mining and manufacturing companies to issue bonds and mortgages and to use the same as collaterals for bank accounts" approved the twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-six number eleven)

An Act entitled "An Act to enable mining manufacturing and trading companies to wind up their affairs after the expiration of their charters" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-eight number one hundred sixty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and for the government and regulation of street railway companies now incorporated or which may hereafter be incorporated in cities of the second and third class in this Commonwealth" approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws nine)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to the practice in courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth where the defendant is a chartered corporation" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-nine number one hundred sixteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize corporations to increase their capital stock for corporate purposes" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws two twenty-three number one hundred ninety-one)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued on vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 528, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section twenty of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the province of Pennsylvania" approved the fourteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred thirty (one Smiths Laws one hundred eighty-one)

An Act entitled "A Supplementary Act to the act for raising county rates and levies" approved the fifteenth day of August one thousand seven hundred thirty-two (Volume four page two hundred and thirty-four Statutes at Large three hundred thirty)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for bailing prisoners and about imprisonment'" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand seven hundred seventy (one Smiths Laws three hundred nine Chapter six hundred ten)

Section six of an act entitled "An Act for establishing in the City of Philadelphia and in each county of this State an office for the probate and registering of wills and granting letters of administration and an office for the recording of deeds" approved the fourteenth day of March one thousand seven hundred seventy-seven (one Smiths Laws four hundred forty-three Chapter seven hundred thirty-seven)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for raising county rates and levies'" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred eighty-five (Volume eleven page five hundred and three Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand one hundred forty)

Sections one two three and four of an act entitled "An Act relating to sheriffs and coroners" approved the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand seven hundred eighty-nine (Volume thirteen page three hundred and sixty-eight Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand four hundred fifty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to the securities to be given by sheriffs and coroners" approved the fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety (Volume thirteen page four hundred and fifty-five Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand four hundred eighty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide a more effectual method of settling the public accounts of the commissioners and treasurers of the respective counties" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws fifteen)

Sections one two three eleven twelve thirteen fourteen twenty-two twenty-three twenty-four twenty-six and twenty-seven of an act entitled "An Act to raise and collect county rates and levies" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-nine (three Smiths Laws three hundred ninety-two Chapter two thousand eighty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to county treasurers" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-six Chapter one hundred fifty-one)

Sections one two three five six seven nine and ten of an act entitled "An Act directing sheriffs and coroners to give sufficient sureties for the faithful execution of their official duties and for other purposes" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-seven)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An act to raise and collect county rates and levies'" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide a more effectual method of settling the public accounts of the commissioners and treasurer of the respective counties'" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-two)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act imposing certain duties upon the commissioners and treasurer of Luzerne County and empowering county commissioners to adminis-

ter oaths or affirmations" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to raise and collect county rates and levies'" approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty Chapter twenty-six)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act more effectually to secure the collection of the revenue from tavern licenses and for other purposes" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-seven)

Sections ten fifteen seventeen eighteen twenty-six twenty-seven twenty-nine forty-six sixty and sixty-three of an act entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships and county and township officers" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred thirty-seven)

Section five of an act entitled "An Act relating to the election of county treasurers and for other purposes" approved the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act relating to roads highways and bridges'" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing the commencement of the term of office of sheriffs in the several counties of this Commonwealth" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-one)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide for the division of counties of this Commonwealth and the erection of new counties therefrom'" approved the thirteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws six)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the division of counties of this Commonwealth and the erection of new counties therefrom approved the seventeenth day of April Anno Domino one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws twenty-six)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the division of counties of this Commonwealth' approved the seventeenth day of April eighteen hundred and seventy-eight" approved the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-nine number one hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to perfect the records of deeds mortgages and other instruments in certain cases" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty number one hundred twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act making it the duty of the county commissioners to furnish office and storage rooms for the use of the county superintendents of schools" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred ninety-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of the members of the board of revision of taxes in any county co-extensive in boundary with a city of the first class and to provide for the filling of vacancies therein" approved the twenty-fourth day of April one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws ninety-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section first of an Act of Assembly approved the fourth day of April Anno Domino one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act creating in counties having a population of from three hundred thousand to one million a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices boards bureaus departments and divisions thereof prescribing the powers and duties of said board and regulating appeals from the decision thereof' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand" approved the fourth day of March one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws ten)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 529, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to court of justice of record and not of record

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act for the sitting of Orphans' Courts" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (Volume two page eighty-one Statutes at Large Chapter sixty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act for establishing Orphans' Court" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand seven hundred thirteen (one Smith's Laws eighty-one)

Sections five eleven twelve thirteen fifteen sixteen seventeen eighteen twenty twenty-one twenty-two twenty-three and twenty-four of an act entitled "An Act for establishing courts of judicature in this province" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand seven hundred twenty-two (Smith's Laws one hundred thirty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the act entitled an act for establishing courts of judicature within this province" approved the twentieth day of May one thousand seven hundred sixty-seven (one Smith's Laws two hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act for establishing a new seal for the Supreme Court and for altering the place of holding the said court and the courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery in the counties of Chester and Bucks for a limited time" approved the second day of January one thousand seven hundred seventy-eight (one Smith's Laws four hundred forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act for the more speedy and effectual administration of justice" approved the twenty-fifth day of September one thousand seven hundred eighty-six (two Smith's Laws page three hundred ninety-one)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to alter and amend an act entitled "An Act to remedy the defects of the several acts of Assembly heretofore made for regulating the elections of justices of peace throughout this State and to establish a permanent mode for holding such elections and to authorize the justices of the peace of the City of Philadelphia to hold the courts of records of the said city and to make further provisions for the due election and return of justices of peace elect"'" approved the twenty-seventh day of February one thousand seven hundred eighty-eight (Volume thirteen page nine Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand three hundred twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to alter the time of holding the courts of general quarter sessions of the peace and Gaol Delivery in the several counties within this Commonwealth" approved the seventh day of September one thousand seven hundred eighty-nine (Volume thirteen page three hundred five Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand four hundred twenty-seven)

Sections one two three four five six seven thirteen seventeen eighteen nineteen and twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act to establish the judicial courts of this Commonwealth in conformity to the alterations and amendments in the constitution" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws page twenty-eight)

Sections one two three four five six seven and eight of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to establish the judicial courts of this Commonwealth in conformity to the alterations and amendments in the constitution'" approved the thirtieth day of September one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws page fifty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to the several acts of Assembly for establishing the Judicial Courts of this Commonwealth in conformity to the alterations and amendments in the constitution" approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-five (three Smith's Laws two hundred forty-five Chapter one thousand eight hundred forty-seven)

Section five of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to extend the powers to the justices of the peace of this State'" approved the first day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety-nine (three Smith's Laws three hundred fifty-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act vesting certain powers in the judges of the Supreme Court" approved the fifteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred (three Smith's Laws four hundred thirty-seven Chapter two thousand one hundred thirty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to enlarge the March and December terms in the Supreme Court" approved the fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for reducing and limiting the number of Associate Judges of the courts of common pleas" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eighty-six)

Sections one two four five six seven eight nine twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen eighteen twenty twenty-one twenty-three twenty-four and twenty-six of an act entitled "An Act to alter the Judiciary System of this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty-four)

Section ten of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to the several acts of this Commonwealth concerning partitions and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act erecting a middle district of the Supreme Court and for other purposes" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-eight)

Sections one and three of an act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to regulate Arbitrations and Proceedings in Courts of Justices" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-eight Chapter one hundred fifteen)

Sections one two three four five and eight of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to alter the Judiciary System of this Commonwealth'" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws thirty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act concerning contempts of court" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to alter the judiciary system of this Commonwealth' passed February twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred six approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-five)

Sections one nine and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate with its supplements the act entitled 'An Act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars before a Justice of the Peace and for the election of constables and for other purposes'" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eight)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the judges of the Supreme Court to establish return days" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-one Chapter one hundred thirty-six)

Section one of an act entitled "An additional supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to alter the judiciary system of this Commonwealth'" approved the sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred twelve (Pamphlet Laws eighty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the continuance of courts of quarter sessions" approved the twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred sixteen (Pamphlet Laws eighty-two Chapter fifty-nine)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act for holding special courts of common pleas" approved the fifteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred sixteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-seven)

Section one of an act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for holding special courts of common pleas'" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred eighteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-nine)

Section one of an act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning contempts of court'" approved the eighteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws thirty Chapter twenty-two)

Section one of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for holding special courts of common pleas" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the intestate law of this Commonwealth" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-five)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to alter the judiciary system of this Commonwealth'" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-three)

Sections one two three and four of an act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to alter the judiciary ssytem of this Commonwealth' passed the eighth day of April eighteen hundred and twenty-six'" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to the appointment and payment of the criers of the court in this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred three number eighty-two)

Section thirty-nine of an act entitled "An Act relating to registers and registers courts" approved the fifteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-five)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act concerning the administration of justice" approved the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-eight)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to alter the judiciary system of this Commonwealth' passed the eighth day of April eighteen hundred and twenty-six'" approved the seventh day of January one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws one number two)

An Act entitled "An Act changing the organization and extending the jurisdiction of the court of common pleas of the first judicial district" approved the eighth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws twenty-three)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of an additional court within the County of Allegheny and for other purposes" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred five)

Sections five six sixteen seventeen twenty-four twenty-five twenty-six twenty-seven twenty-eight fifty-two fifty-three fifty-four eighty-one eighty-two eighty-five eighty-six ninety-two one hundred one hundred two one hundred three one hundred thirteen one hundred thirty-three and one hundred fifty of an act entitled "An Act relative to the organization of the courts of justice" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty-three)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act relating to the jurisdictions and powers of courts" approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eighty-four)

Section five of an act entitled "An Act providing for the election of aldermen and justices of the peace" approved the twenty-first day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred seventy-six)

Sections four five six seven and eight of an act entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Liberty Fire Company of Holmesburg in the county of Philadelphia" approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty)

Section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to 'An Act to provide for the election of aldermen and justices of the peace' approved the twenty-first day of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine and a further supplement passed April eleventh one thousand eight hundred and forty and for other purposes" approved the twenty-seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws seventy-two number fifty-two)

Section eighteen of an act entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the Common Pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectment to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exceptions laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgments of deeds and sequestration of life estates" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and twelve)

Sections five six seven eight twelve fourteen and fifteen of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of judges of the several courts of this Commonwealth and to regulate certain judicial districts" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-eight)

Section thirteen of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of Government the repair of the public canals and railroads and other general and special appropriations" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and seventy-six)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act to provide for the appointment of a reporter of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act granting to the Supreme Court jurisdiction of a Court of Chancery in all cases of mortgages, et cetera" approved the eleventh days of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and seventy-seven number four hundred and sixty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters for the several courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-seven (Pamphlet Laws eighty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act designating the judicial districts of the Commonwealth and providing for the appointment and election of judges therein for issuing to additional judges learned in the law commissions as president judges and manner of fixing the terms of courts therein" approved the ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the holding of courts in certain cities of this Commonwealth" approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws twenty-nine)

Sections one two three five six and seven of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the court of common pleas of the several counties of this Commonwealth to change alter and direct the mode of preparing and keeping indices in the several offices of record in said counties and for preparing making and substituting new indices for old indices or parts thereof" approved the third day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws forty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the holding of courts in certain cities of this Commonwealth" approved the twelfth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitu-

tion" approved the seventh day of August one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws (one thousand eight hundred eighty-five) three hundred twenty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the president judges of the several judicial districts of this Commonwealth to procure the assistance of president or additional law judges of another district in the transaction of business in the several courts of such district" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws fourteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election appointment and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts in cases where such judges are not provided for by existing law" approved the twelfth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety)

Sections one two three four five and six of an act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court the judges of the Superior Court the judges of the courts of common pleas and the judges of the orphans' courts" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-five)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the courts of common pleas of the respective counties of this Commonwealth to declare a vacancy in the office of aldermen and justices of the peace when said officers shall not reside and maintain an office in their respective wards districts boroughs or townships and providing for the appointment of their successors" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-seven number one hundred ninety-six)

An Act entitled "An Act providing that the jurisdiction of the courts shall not be ousted by a provision in a contract that an award or an appraisement of an engineer architect or other person shall be final or conclusive or that a certificate of an engineer architect or other person shall be a condition precedent to maintaining an action upon such contract and that any controversy arising on a contract containing such a provision shall be determined in due course of law with the same effect as if such provisions were not in such contract contracts with municipal or other corporations invested with the privilege of taking private property for public use excepted" approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-one number two hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for another judge in each of the Courts of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws twenty)

An Act entitled "An Act to consolidate the five courts of common pleas of Philadelphia County" approved the eleventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election appointment and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts in cases where such judges are not provided for by existing law' approved the eighteenth day of July one thousand nine hundred one by designating the counties of Cameron and Elk as the twenty-fifth district and attaching the County of Clinton to the fifty-fifth district" approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-eight number two hundred thirteen)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any Act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or suspended The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right of penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 530, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the estates of decedents

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act directing the order of payment of debts of persons deceased" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six Volume two page one hundred ninety-eight Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred thirty-four

An Act entitled "An Act for the more easy recovery of legacies" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand seven hundred seventy-two (one Smith's Laws three hundred eighty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act continuing an act entitled 'An Act for the more easy recovery of legacies' " approved the ninth day of October one thousand seven hundred seventy-nine (one Smith's Laws four hundred seventy-three)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to enable executors and administrators by leave of court to convey lands and tenements contracted for with their decedents and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety-two (three Smith's Laws page sixty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act directing the descent of intestates' real estates and distribution of their personal estates and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the nineteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (three Smith's Laws one hundred forty-three)

Sections one three five six seven eight nine ten and eleven of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to the act entitled 'An Act directing the descent of intestates real estate and distribution of their personal estates and for other purposes therein mentioned' " approved the fourth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-seven (three Smith's Laws two hundred ninety-six)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing executors and administrators in certain cases to convey lands sold by their decedents by order of Orphans' Court" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thrity-three)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act to amend certain parts of an act entitled 'An Act supplementary to the several acts of this Commonwealth concerning partitions and for other purposes therein mentioned' " approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent devises and legacies from lapsing in certain cases" approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws ninety-six chapter seventy-three)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to dower and for other purposes" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-eight chapter one hundred sixteen)

An Act entitled "An Act for the settlement of the estates of intestates where some of the heirs reside out of the State" approved the thirteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-three)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to escheated estates" approved the twenty-first day of January one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws twenty-five)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act directing the descent of intestates real estates and distribution of their personal estates and for other purposes therein mentioned' " approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-six)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of the poor" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-five)

Sections five and six of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'A Further Supplement to the act entitled An act to alter the judiciary system of this Commonwealth' passed the eighth day of April eighteen hundred and twenty-six" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-four)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act concerning executors" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-two)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act directing the descent of intestates' real estates and distribution of their personal estates and for other purposes therein mentioned passed the nineteenth day of April seventeen hundred and ninety-four" approved the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred forty-seven)

Section fourteen of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifteen)

Section four and twenty-four of an act entitled "An Act relating to executors and administrators" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws seventy-three)

Section four of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled an act relating to Orphans' courts passed the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two and the supplement thereto passed the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five and for other purposes" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nineteen)

Section nine of an act entitled "An Act in regard to certain entries in ledgers in the City of Pittsburgh and relating to the publishing of sheriff's sales and for other purposes" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-six (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-six)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending

or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 531, as follows:

An Act to repeal section one two four and five of an act approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen) entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire game and fish wardens prescribing their power and duties fixing their fees as wardens and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties" insofar as they relate to fire wardens

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections one two four and five of the act approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen) entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire game and fish wardens prescribing their power and duties fixing their fees as wardens and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties" are repealed insofar as they relate to constables acting as fire wardens

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 532, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of assembly relating to dentistry

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the following acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for any person to engage in the practice or assume the title of doctor of dental surgery or advertise himself as a doctor of dental surgery without first procuring a diploma from a reputable institution recognized by the National Board of Dental Examiners and defining who shall be understood as practicing dentistry and authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to charge and collect certain fees" approved the tenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and forty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to establish a Dental Council and a State Board of Dental Examiners to define the powers and duties of said Dental Council and said State Board of Dental Examiners to provide for the examination and licensing of practitioners of dentistry and to further regulate the practice of dentistry" approved the ninth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and six)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 533, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relative to domestic animals

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth from injuries arising from mad dogs running at large" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the extension of disease among cattle" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred one)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the spread of contagious diseases among domestic animals" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-one)

An Act entitled "An act to protect the health of the domestic animals of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" approved the twenty-sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws ninety-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the fourth section of an act entitled 'An Act to protect the health of the domestic animals of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania' approved the twenty-sixth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven by prescribing penalties and methods of procedure for the enforcement of the provisions of said act" approved the fifth day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred six)

An Act entitled "An Act to encourage the breeding of horses to regulate the public service of stallions to require the registration of stallions and to provide for the enforcement thereof" approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fourteen)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 534, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing of woods" approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (three Smiths Laws page one hundred thirty-nine)

Sections one hundred forty and one hundred fifty-two of an act entitled "An Act to consolidate revise and amend the penal laws of this Commonwealth" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-two)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to protect timber lands from fire" approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred sixteen number one thousand two hundred six)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the burning of the woods in any of the counties of this Commonwealth" approved the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-two number one hundred seventy-six)

An Act entitled "An Act for the encouragement of forest culture and providing penalties for the injury and destruction of forests" approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-seven number one hundred seventy-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of forest culture and providing penalties for the injury and destruction of forests' approved June first Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven changing the penalties therein provided" approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to a Forestry Commission and providing for the expenses thereof" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifteen)

An Act entitled "An Act making constables of townships ex-officio fire wardens for the extinction of forest fires and for reporting to the court of quarter sessions violations of the laws for the protection of forests from fire prescribing the duties of such fire wardens and their punishment for failure to perform the same and empowering them to require under penalty the assistance of other persons in the extinction of such fires" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws nine)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the purchase by the Commonwealth of unseated lands for the non-payment of taxes for the purpose of creating a State Forest Reservation" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws eleven)

Sections one two three and five of an act entitled "An Act to secure State forestry reservations and providing for the expenses thereof" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws eighty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled 'An Act to protect timber lands from fire' approved the second day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy providing for a penalty in case of the failure of county commissioners to comply with the terms of said act after demand made upon them by the Commissioner of Forestry and providing for the Commonwealth bearing part of the expenses incurred un-

der said act" approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred ninety-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the purchase by the Commonwealth of unseated lands for the non-payment of taxes for the purpose of creating a State Forest Reservation' approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini eighteen hundred and ninety-seven providing for the purchase of land other than that which is advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes and limiting the cost per acre to be paid for same" approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws ninety-eight)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act to establish a Department of Forestry to provide for its proper administration to regulate the acquisition of land for the Commonwealth and to provide for the control protection and maintenance of Forestry Reservations by the Department of Forestry" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws eleven number nine)

An act entitled "An Act amending section two of an act entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of forest culture and providing penalties for the injury and destruction of forests' approved June first one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven amending and extending the provisions thereof" approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws fifty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act for the better protection of timber lands against fire and providing for the expenses of the same and directing what shall be done with the fines collected and costs paid" approved the second day of May one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred nineteen)

An Act entitled "An Act conferring upon persons employed under existing laws by the Commissioner of Forestry for the protection of State Forestry Reservations after taking the proper oath of office the same powers as are by law conferred upon constables and other peace officers to arrest without first procuring a warrant persons reasonably suspected by them of offending against the laws protecting timber lands also conferring upon them similar powers for the enforcement of the laws and rules and regulations for the protection of the State Forestry Reservations and for the protection of the game and fish contained therein and further conferring upon them power to convey said offenders into the proper legal custody for punishment this act to apply only to offences committed upon said reservations and lands adjacent thereto" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to limit the amount of money expended each year by the State Forestry Reservation Commission in the purchase of lands for the Commonwealth" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred one number one hundred forty-six)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act to encourage the preservation of forests by providing for a rebate of taxes levied upon forested land" approved the eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to encourage the planting and the maintaining of sprout forest and timber-trees and providing that those who thus aid shall be exempt from taxation defining the duties of the township assessor of taxes and penalties for violation of this act" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to grow and distribute young forest trees to those who will plant and care for the same' approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifteen number sixty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to create a system of fire-wardens to preserve the forests of the Commonwealth by preventing and suppressing forest fires and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing for the compensation of the fire-wardens and those who assist in extinguishing fire and making an appropriation therefor' approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the Department of Forestry to grant rights of way through State lands' approved the eighth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred five number two hundred eighty)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to create a system of fire-wardens to preserve the forests of the Commonwealth by preventing and suppressing forest fires and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing for the compensation of the fire-wardens and those who assist in extinguishing fire and making an appropriation therefor' approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine conferring authority upon the Department of Forestry to enter into co-operative relations with local associations established for the purpose of preventing forest fires and providing for and regulating a local fire patrol and the compensation thereof" approved the twenty-second day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred six)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions of this act shall be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act The repeal of the first section of an act shall not repeal the enacting clause of such act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 535, as follows:

An Act to clarify the laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act concerning foreign insurance companies" approved the tenth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act concerning agencies of insurance companies not authorized by the laws of this State established within this Commonwealth" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to insurance companies and agencies of insurance companies not chartered by this State" approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-four)

Section twenty-two of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to prevent waste in certain cases within this Commonwealth' passed the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two to land and building associations giving the court of Susquehanna County jurisdiction in a certain case relative to the service of process in certain cases to party walls in West Philadelphia to the proof of a certain will to the sale and purchase of certain burial grounds in Philadelphia to the laying of gas pipes in the district of Moyamensing to the release of certain sureties in Erie County to the State Lunatic hospital relative to the service of process against sheriffs to the rights of married women to ground rents and relating to foreign insurance companies" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws five hundred forty-nine)

Sections five six eight nine ten and eleven of an act entitled "An Act to authorize Amanda M. Richmond of McKean County the trustees of the Church of God in Fredericksburg Lebanon County and Thomas Heyl junior guardian to sell certain real estate empowering William H. Holstein guardian to draw and appropriate certain moneys in relation to insurance companies and the agencies of insurance companies not chartered by this State and to liens in Lycoming and Clinton Counties" became a law on the twenty-fourth day of January one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-one one thousand eight hundred fifty)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation of insurance companies" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eleven number two hundred thirty-six)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act to provide for the incorporation of insurance companies approved the second day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth approved March twenty-sixth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven so far as the same relates to the chartering of insurance companies" approved the seventeenth day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws seven)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to the chartering of mutual fire insurance companies" approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide a uniform contract or policy of fire insurance to be made and issued by all insurance companies taking fire risks on property within this State" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws twenty-two number eighteen)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the

provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 536, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act against selling rum and other strong liquors to the Indians" approved the twenty-eighth day of October one thousand seven hundred one (Volume two page one hundred sixty-eight Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred fourteen)

Sections two three four five and six of an act entitled "A Supplementary Act to a law of this province entitled an act that no public house or inn within this province be kept without license" approved the twenty-sixth day of August one thousand seven hundred twenty-one (Smith's Laws one hundred twenty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to prohibit the selling of rum and other strong liquors to the Indians and to prevent abuses that may happen thereby" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand seven hundred twenty-two (Volume three page three hundred ten Statutes at Large Chapter two hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "An Additional Act to the act entitled 'An Act for laying an excise or duty on all wine rum and other spirits retailed in this province' " approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand seven hundred twenty-three (Volume three page three hundred sixty-two Statutes at Large Chapter two hundred sixty-eight)

Sections eight and nine of an act entitled "An Act to render the revenue arising from the excise on wine and spirits and on licenses to be granted to public houses effective and equal to the public necessities" approved the seventeenth day of March one thousand seven hundred eighty (one Smith's Laws five hundred three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the better collection of the revenue arising from tavern licenses" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (Volume fifteen page one hundred forty-nine Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand seven hundred sixty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act altering the mode of issuing tavern licenses" approved the eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws ninety-one)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act more effectually to secure the collection of the revenue from tavern licenses and for other purposes" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-seven)

Section ten of an act entitled "An Act to regulate inns and taverns" approved the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-two)

Section two of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate inns and taverns' passed April seventh eighteen hundred and thirty" approved the fifteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws seventy-three number fifty-one)

Sections twenty-five and twenty-six of an act entitled "An Act relating to inns and taverns and retailers of vinous and spiritous liquors" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventeen)

Section twenty-two of an act entitled "An Act to erect the town of South Easton in the county of Northampton into a borough and for other purposes" approved the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws five hundred forty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to the various acts relating to Tavern Licenses" which became a law the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-one)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to authorize the voters of Mifflin county to decide the question of tavern licenses therein and to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks within specified limits in certain counties" approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-six (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-one)

Section eight of an act entitled "An Act regulating the hunting of deer in the county of Warren and relative to hawkers and peddlers in the counties of Carbon Butler and Union authorizing the Philadelphia Germantown and Norristown railroad company to become stockholders in the Chester Valley railroad company relative to the sale of spirituous and vinous liquors in Washington county and to the licensing of inn-keepers in this Commonwealth to the estate of John Claar deceased legitimating John Diffenbach of Lancaster County and authorizing the sale of the real estate of Darius Grimes of Fayette County deceased" approved the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws six hundred thirty-four)

Section eight of an act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act authorizing the Governor to incorporate the Bear Mountain Railroad Company' and for other purposes passed July thirteenth one thousand eight hundred and forty-two and relative to roads streets and alleys in the Borough of Pottsville in Schuylkill County to hawkers and peddlers in Armstrong and Carbon Counties to the Bethany and Dingman's choice turnpike road to the district of West Philadelphia to the bottling of cider and malt liquors licensing billiard rooms and bowling saloons to the district of Moyamensing and to authorize Charles B. Mench to sell certain real estate" approved the fourteenth day of April one housand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-nine)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine eleven twelve thirteen fifteen and twenty-two of an act entitled "An Act to Regulate the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred fifty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to the granting of Licenses to Hotel Inn or Tavern Keepers" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred fifty-three number six hundred fifty two)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act to permit the voters of this Commonwealth to vote every three years on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors approved twenty-seventh March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two" approved the sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-nine)

Sections two three four five six nine ten eleven and twelve of an act entitled "An Act to repeal an act to permit the voters of this Commonwealth to vote every three years on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors and to restrain and regulate the sale of the same" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws forty)

An Act entitled "An Act amending the fifth and eighth sections of the act entitled 'An Act to restrain and regulate the sale of vinous and spiritous liquors malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof' approved the twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven authorizing bondsmen from any part of the county to execute a bond and fixing the amount thereof' approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred sixty-eight number two hundred ninety-three)

Section 2 The repeal of this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 537, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act for the better regulating of elections of sheriffs coroners and assessors" approved the twenty-fourth day of August one thousand seven hundred seventeen (Volume three page one hundred thirty-eight Statutes at Large chapter two hundred twenty-two)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act for preventing bribery and corruption in the election of sheriffs and coroners within this province" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand seven hundred fifty-two (Volume five page one hundred fifty-nine Statutes at Large chapter three hundred ninety-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act directing the time places and manner of holding elections for representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States and for appointing electors on the part of this State for choosing a President and Vice-President of the United States" approved the fourth day of October one thousand seven hundred eighty-eight (Volume thirteen page one hundred forty Statutes at Large chapter one thousand three hundred and seventy-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of representatives of the people of this State in the Congress of the United States" approved the sixteenth day of March

one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (Volume fourteen page twenty Statutes at Large chapter one thousand five hundred thirty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the trials of contested elections" approved the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws page forty-five)

"An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of representatives of the people of this State in the Congress of the United States" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators form the State into districts and determine the portion to be allotted to each also to fix the number of representatives for the city and the several counties of the Commonwealth in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred eight (Pamphlet Laws eighty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of representatives of the people of this State in the Congress of the United States" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred twelve (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and representatives and form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" approved the eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws ninety-three)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act to prevent the practice of wagering or betting on elections" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred four)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the trials of contested elections' passed the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred eighteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-eight chapter one hundred thirty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and representatives and form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the constitution" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws seventy-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to regulate the trial of contested elections'" approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws fifty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and representatives and form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" approved the twentieth day af April one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twelve)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and representatives and form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred ninety-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to prescribe the times places and manner of choosing Senators to represent this State in the Senate of the United States'" approved the thirteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws one thousand eight hundred thirty-seven)

Sections five twenty-three twenty-four twenty-six twenty-seven forty-three forty-four forty-five forty-six forty-seven forty-eight forty-nine fifty sixty-one sixty-three sixty-nine seventy-one seventy-two seventy-three seventy-five seventy-six seventy-seven seventy-eight one hundred twenty-nine one hundred thirty one hundred thirty-one one hundred thirty-two one hundred thirty-three one hundred thirty-four one hundred thirty-five one hundred thirty-six one hundred thirty-seven one hundred thirty-eight one hundred thirty-nine one hundred forty one hundred forty-one one hundred forty-two one hundred forty-three one hundred forty-four one hundred forty-five one hundred forty-six one hundred forty-seven one hundred forty-eight, one hundred forty-nine one hundred fifty one hundred fifty-one one hundred fifty-two, one hundred fifty-three one hundred fifty-four one hundred fifty-five one hundred fifty-six one hundred fifty-seven one hundred fifty-eight one hundred fifty-nine one hundred sixty one hundred sixty-one one hundred sixty-two one hundred sixty-three one hundred sixty-four one hundred sixty-five one hundred sixty-six one hundred sixty-seven one hundred sixty-eight one hundred sixty-nine one hundred seventy one hundred seventy-one one hundred seventy-two and one hundred seventy-three of an act entitled "An act relating to the elections of this Commonwealth" approved the second day of July one thousand eight hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred nineteen)

Section seven of the act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of prothonotaries clerks, recorders and registers" approved the second day of July one thousand eight hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred fifty-nine)

Sections four five six and twelve of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relating to the elections of this Commonwealth' passed the second day of July Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine and for other purposes" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws six hundred eighty-three)

Sections three and four of an act entitled "An Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act providing for the election of aldermen justices of the peace' passed twenty-first June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine and for other purposes" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws six hundred eighty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to divide the State into congressional districts for the election of Representatives in the Congress of the United States" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the constitution" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-seven)

Section two of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relating to the elections in this Commonwealth'" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-eight (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twelve)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the constitution" approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred seventy-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to divide the State into Congressional districts for the election of Representatives in the Congress of the United States" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-two)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act in relation to establishing and changing the places for holding general elections throughout the Commonwealth" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws four hundred nineteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and to form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" approved the twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred nineteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for taking testimony in cases of contested elections of members of the General Assembly" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to divide the State into Congressional Districts for the election of Representatives in the Congress of the United States" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred sixty-one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to re-organize the Congressional Districts of Pennsylvania in accordance with the act of Congress approved March fourth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred five)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and to form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred sixty-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-eight)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and to form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the constitution approved May fifth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four" approved the twenty-fourth day of August one thousand eight hundred sixty-four (Pamphlet Laws one thousand fourteen number eight hundred eighty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the mode of voting at all elections in the several counties of this Commonwealth" approved he thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws ninety-two)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the election laws of this Commonwealth" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws one thousand one hundred seven)

Entire act except sections six ten twelve fourteen eighteen nineteen twenty thirty-eight and forty-one entitled "An Act further supplemental to the act relative to the elections of this Commonwealth" approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and to form the State into districts in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution" which became a law the sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-two)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives and to form the State into districts in pursuance of the Constitution' which became a law on the sixth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one'" approved the eleventh day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act entitled 'A further supplement to an act relating to the elections of this Commonwealth' approved July second Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine" approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand eight hundred seventy-two (Pamphlet Laws seventeen)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly of the State and to apportion the State into senatorial and representative districts as provided in the Constitution" approved the nineteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the act of April twenty-eight one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three entitled 'An Act to re-organize the congressional districts of Pennsylvania' be so amended as to attach the new

township of Collier in the county of Allegheny to the twenty-second congressional district" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred one number seventy-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of representatives in the General Assembly of the State and to apportion the State into representative districts as provided in the Constitution" approved the twelfth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws ninety-eight number forty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend 'An Act to fix the number of representatives in the General Assembly of the State and to apportion the State into representative districts as provided in the Constitution" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-eight number one hundred fifty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to empower the court of quarter sessions of any county of this Commonwealth to fix the place of holding the general election" approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred six number fifty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the pay of election officers at all elections hereafter to be held within this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven number one hundred thirty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act amending an act entitled 'An act regulating the pay of election officers at all elections hereafter held within this Commonwealth' approved the twenty-fourth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and fixing the pay of election officers" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 538, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one two three four five six seven nine ten thirteen fourteen fifteen and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act to declare and regulate escheats" approved the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand seven hundred eighty-seven (two Smith's Laws page four hundred twenty-five)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to declare and regulate escheats'" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-one Chapter C)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to declare and regulate escheats'" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred nine)

Sections four and five of an act entitled "An Act relating to escheated estates approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-three)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to declare and regulate escheats'" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-two)

Section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act to declare and regulate escheats" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred sixty-four (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred fifty-one number eight hundred thirty-seven)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to declare and regulate escheats' passed the twenty-ninth day of September Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven" approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventy-one number forty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to limitations" approved the sixteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws (one thousand eight hundred seventy) one thousand three hundred seventy-two number one thousand two hundred forty-one)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 539, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "The law about officers' fees" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (volume two page one hundred thirty-seven Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred three)

Sections sixteen and seventeen of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the province of Pennsylvania" approved the fourteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred thirty (one Smith's Laws one hundred eighty-one)

Section five of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled An Act for acknowledging and recording of deeds" approved the eighteenth day of March one thousand seven hundred seventy-five (one Smith's Laws four hundred twenty-two)

Sections sixteen and seventeen of an act entitled "An Act to provide further regulations whereby to secure fair and equal proceedings in the Land-Office and in the surveying of lands" approved the eighth day of April one thousand seven hundred eighty-five (two Smith's Laws page three hundred seventeen)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the salaries of the officers of the land office' enacted the eighth day of December one housand seven hundred and eighty-nine" approved the nineteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred ninety (Volume thirteen page four hundred forty-one Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand four hundred and eighty)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to collect revenue from the rolls office for the further support of government" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-five (volume fifteen page three seventy-five Statutes at Large Chapter one thousand eight hundred sixty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act making an additional allowance to the prothonotary of the Supreme Court of the Eastern District and the prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of the City and County of Philadelphia" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred forty-seven)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve fourteen fifteen seventeen eighteen twenty twenty-one and twenty-three of an act entitled "An Act establishing a fee bill" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-two)

Sections three six ten and eleven of an act entitled "An Act to alter and amend the fee bill" approved the twenty-second day of February one thousand eight hundred tweny-one (Pamphlet Laws fifty)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act for regulating the measurement of corn and salt imported into the port of Philadelphia" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-six Chapter ninety-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of the inspector of staves and heading" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws fifty-one)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act relative to landlord and tenant" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-seven number one hundred sixteen)

Sections three and four of an act entitled "An Act relating to judgments relative to writs of estrepment and the fees of sheriffs and constables and partitions" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eighty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to the payment of constables for attending the general and township elections" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty number two hundred twenty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to fees of aldermen justices of the peace and constables" approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-nine)

Sections two and ten of an act entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth" approved the second day

of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws three)

An Act entitled "An Act to empower the sheriff and prothonotaries of the several counties of the Commonwealth to sue for their fees" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws twenty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the sheriffs coroners prothonotaries clerks of the several courts registers of wills and recorders of deeds of this Commonwealth except in counties containing more than one hundred and fifty thousand or less than ten thousand inhabitants" approved the twelfth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the fees of justices of the peace and constables of the several counties of this Commonwealth" approved the nineteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws sixty-four number sixty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate and establish the fees to be charged by justices of the peace aldermen magistrates and constables in this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventeen)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 540, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section two of an act entitled "An Act for regulating and maintaining of fences" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (one Smith's Laws thirteen)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act for regulating and maintaining fences'" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-one Chapter one hundred nineteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to repeal the first section of an act entitled 'An Act for regulating and maintaining of fences' passed Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred" approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-two)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 541, as follows:

An Act to clarify the staute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to municipalities

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authortiy of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act for the regulating of streets and water courses in the cities and towns of this government' approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (Volume two page sixty-five Statutes at Large chapter fifty-three)

Section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgments of deeds and sequestration of life estates" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twelve)

An Act entitled "An Act to repeal the fifteenth section of an act entitled 'An Act further supplemental to the act relative to the elections of this Commonwealth' approved April seventeenth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine" approved the twenty-eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws one thousand three hundred sixty-five number one thousand two hundred sixty-eight)

Sections fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen eighteen nineteen twenty twenty-one twenty-two twenty-three twenty-four twenty-five twenty-six twenty-seven twenty-eight, twenty-nine thirty thirty-one thirty-four thirty-five thirty-six thirty-seven thirty-nine forty and forty-six (paragraph one and clauses one two three seven and nine) sections forty-seven forty-eight forty-nine and fifty (paragraph one and clauses one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen and fourteen) and sections fifty-one fifty-four fifty-five and fifty-six of an act entitled "An Act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts for supplies and work for said cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offences in all of said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and thirty)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act fixing and regulating the terms of all members of councils and all other city ward borough and township officers excepting school directors elected by the people and fixing the time for organization or the legislative department of the municipal governments of the Commonwealth and the inauguration of the mayors of all the cities of the same" approved the tenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws six Number seven)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts for supplies and work for said cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offences in all of said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four" approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws fifteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An Act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts for supplies and work for cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offences in all of said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four providing for the division of cities of the State into five classes and for other purposes" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws twenty)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act providing for the appraisement collection and payment of damages to private property by the grading of streets or alleys in cities other than those of the first second and fifth classes and authorizing the occupation of private property for the purposes of slopes or embankments in the improvement of streets or alleys therein" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws eighty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing councils of cities of the Commonwealth of the third class to fill vacancies in the offices of city controller and city treasurer' approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty number one hundred fifty)

Section twelve of an act entitled "An Act in relation to cities of the second class providing for the levy collection and disbursement of taxes and water rents" approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws sixteen)

An Act entitled "An Act creating and defining the duties and powers of a recorder for cities whose population does not exceed thirty thousand and is not less than eight thousand five hundred which accept the provisions of this act" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws forty-seven number forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing and regulating the terms of certain officers in cities of the fourth class" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws eighty-seven number one hundred ten)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the election of members of the select council of cities of the fifth class where said cities have not been divided into wards" approved the twelfth day of February one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws three)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts for supplies and work for said cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offenses in all of

said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and providing for the registry of real estate in cities of the third class" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws twenty-two number nineteen)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An act creating and defining the duties and powers of a recorder for the cities whose population does not exceed thirty thousand and is not less than eight thousand five hundred which accept the provisions of this act 'approved March twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven amending said act" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-four number forty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act amending an act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts for supplies and work for said cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offenses in all of cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four reducing the number of common councilmen in cities of the tihrd class containing twenty wards or more to one for each ward" approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws fifty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing select and common councils of cities of the second class to name the hour of holding their sessions" approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws fifty-nine number sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to revise and amend an act entitled "An act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts for supplies and work for said cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offenses in all of said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class" approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four providing for the division of the cities of the State into five classes and for other purposes' approved April eleventh Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six providing for levying poor tax and the city treasurer ex-officio to be poor treasurer and the city comptroller ex-officio to be poor comptroller in cities fifth class' approved the nineteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five number seventy)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to assessments for sewers in boroughs" approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventy-three number eighty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act for the assessment and collection in cities of the third class of the cost of grading paving curbing or otherwise improving streets heretofore improved and running in whole or part through rural districts" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws ninety-seven)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act creating and defining the duties and powers of a recorder for cities whose population does not exceed thirty thousand and is not less than eight thousand five hundred which accept the provisions of this act' approved the twenty-fourth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven and the supplement thereto amending said act approved May first Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine amending the same" approved the fourteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws six number three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the assessment of damages and benefits caused by the altering or changing of the channels of water courses in cities of the fifth class" appproved the tenth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and four number one hundred twelve)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to city controllers in cities of the third class and regulating their term of office" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws sixty-eight number sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act directing the investment of moneys remaining to the credit of the several sinking funds of cities of the second class in loans of said cities or of the United States or of the State of Pennsylvania and repealing all acts inconsistent therewith" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred number ninety-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act dividing the cities of this State into three classes regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts supplies and work for said cities authorizing the increase of indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund to redeem the same defining and punishing certain offenses in all of said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and the supplements thereto extending the term of the mayor who shall hereafter be elected in said cities" approved the twenty-sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eighty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act dividing cities of this State into seven classes providing for the creation and division of wards therein and the annexation of adjacent territory thereto prescribing general regulations relative to the passage of ordinances and giving out of contracts the management of finances the terms and duties of officers and the punishment of certain offenses in all of said cities and providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the fourth fifth sixth and seventh classes" approved the twenty-fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred four)

An Act entitled "An Act dividing the cities of this State into three classes with respect to their population and designating the mode of ascertaining and changing the classification thereof in accordance therewith" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-three number one hundred forty-nine)

Article one sections one two and three article two sections one and two article three sections one two three four and five article four sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen and eighteen article five sections one two and three article six sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten and eleven article seven sections one two three four five six seven and eight article eight sections one two and three article nine section one article ten sections one two three four and five article thirteen sections one two three four and five article fourteen sections one two three four five six seven and eight article sixteen sections one two three and four article seventeen sections one two three four and five article eighteen sections one two three and four of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the ascertainment levy assessment and collection of the costs damages and expenses of municipal improvements including the grading paving macadamizing or otherwise improving of any street lane or alley or parts thereof completed or now in process of completion and also the costs damages and expenses of the construction of any sewer completed or now in process of completion and authorizing the completion of any such improvement" approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws seventy-one)

An Act entitled "An Act empowering councils in cities of the first class to revise and establish the line for wharves and piers and low-water mark or bulkhead lines on the Delaware River in front of cities of the first class" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and nine)

An Act entitled "An Act amending clause thirteen of section three of article five of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine" approved the ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and fifty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to abolish commissioners of public buildings and to place all public buildings heretofore under the control of such commissioners under the control of the department of public works in cities of the first class" approved the twenty-fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to 'An Act empowering councils in cities of the first class to revise and establish the line for wharves and piers and low water mark or bulkhead lines on the Delaware river in front of cities of the first class' approved June eighth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one and to further authorize the acquisition by said cities of wharves piers bulkheads and riparian rights and to prescribe and carry out the plans for the construction of said wharves piers and bulkheads" approved the third day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-one number two hundred forty-seven)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act in relation to the government of cities of the second class' approved June fourteenth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven amending sections twenty-four and twenty-five thereof regulating the manner of voting on an increase of the bonded indebtedness and further regulating the manner of awarding contracts for official advertising" approved the thirteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws thirteen)

An Act entitled "An Act in relation to the official newspaper advertising of cities of the second class" approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws ninety)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating the business of plumbing and house drainage in cities of the second class" approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-two)

Sections two three four five six nine and twelve of an act entitled "An Act relating to the bureaus of police and fire in cities of the second class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes in said bureaus" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act amending section fifteen of an act entitled 'An Act regulating the construction maintenance alteration and inspection of buildings and party walls in cities of the second class' approved June seventh one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five requiring side walls in

buildings of more than twenty feet front to be at least thirteen inches in width" approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen eighteen nineteen twenty twenty-one twenty-two twenty-three twenty-six twenty-nine thirty-six thirty-seven thirty eight and thirty-nine of an act entitled "An Act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine enlarging modifying and defining the powers of cities of the third class." approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act amending clause twenty-two of section three of article five and sections one and two of article thirteen of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved the twenty-third day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine and amending clauses ten and forty of said section three article five and section eleven of article six and section four of article sixteen of said act as the same were enacted by amendment by an act revising and amending said act approved the sixteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one" approved the thirteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and fifteen)

At Act entitled "A Supplement to an act approved twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine entitled 'An Act for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' providing for the adjustment of the indebtedness of such cities and boroughs or townships annexed thereto" approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twelve)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the payment of the expense of maintaining prisoners committed to county prisons for non-payment of fines or penalties imposed for the violation of city or borough ordinances or ordinances of townships of the first class by the city borough or township of the first class to which such fines are payable" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws sixty-one number forty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section one of article one of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine providing for the submission of the question of incorporation of such city of the third class by councils upon the petition of a certain number of the qualified electors of the towns or boroughs embraced within the limits of the proposed city" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act providing that where two cities are contiguous and in the same county the smaller may be annexed to the larger prescribing the method of proceeding and the effect of annexation providing for the division of such enlarged cities into wards for the apportionment of common council and for the indebtedness of such cities" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-one number one hundred sixty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the election of a city clerk in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth prescribing his duties term and compensation and empowering him to administer oaths and certify ordinances resolutions and other proceednigs of councils" approved the seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws eleven)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section one of article one of an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one article one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class" approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine providing for the submission of the question of incorporation of such city of the third class by councils upon the petition of a certain number of the qualified electors of the towns or boroughs embraced within the limits of the proposed city' approved the tenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five providing for the submission of such question of the incorporation of such city of the third class by the court of quarter sessions of the peace of the county wherein such proposed city is to be located upon the petition of a certain number of the qualified electors of the towns and boroughs embraced within the limits of the proposed city to the qualified electors and the manner of voting thereon" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws sixty-six number fifty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to further amend section one article one of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved the twenty-third day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine and which was amended by an act approved the tenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five prescribing the manner and computing and making return of same" approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and sixty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act amending section eight of article seven of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved May twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine by providing for the disposition of all fees received by any magistrtae or alderman while presiding in the mayors police court and authorizing councils to provide compensation for such services" approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-two)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine and ten of an act entitled "An Act amending section three of article one section five of article three sections sixteen seventeen and eighteen of article four section two of article six section one of article seven sections one and three of article eight and sections one and seven of article nine of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class' approved the twenty-third day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine" approved the twenty-first day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one thousand one hundred and two)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for and regulating the incorporation into a third class city of a borough or of two or more contiguous boroughs" approved the seventh day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and ninety-four)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 542, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to alter and amend the health laws of this State so far as respects vessels goods and passengers coming from any port or place in the State of Delaware" approved the twenty-seventh day of January one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws twenty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act in relation to the public health and sanitary condition of cities of the second class" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws forty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the pollution of the waters of streams supplying cities of this Commonwealth" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixteen number one hundred eighty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for necessary medical attention to needy persons who may be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws ninety-two number sixty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section one of 'An Act providing for necessary medical attention to needy persons who may be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia' approved the thirty-first day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five so as to include all persons who may apply for aid and providing that the cost of such medical attention shall be paid by the several poor districts within this Commonwealth" approved the seventh day of May one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy number one hundred thirty-two)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 543, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one and three of an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate hawkers and peddlers' " approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety-nine (Three Smith's Laws three hundred fifty-nine chapter two thousand twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to permit disabled soldiers to peddle by procuring a license therefor without charge' approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven extending the same to sailors and marines" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws seventy-nine number forty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to prohibit peddling selling or hawking of produce and merchandise in cities of the second and third classes of this Commonwealth without a license" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy--eight (Pamphlet Laws fifteen)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 544, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to declare Washington's birthday a public holiday" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred sixty-four (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred eighty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to declare Good Friday a public holiday" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws twenty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act defining what days shall constitute legal holidays" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act making Decoration Day a legal holiday" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-two number one hundred forty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act making the first Monday in September in each year a legal holiday to be known as 'Labor holiday' approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine number fifty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act designating the days and half days to be observed as legal holidays and for the payment acceptance and protesting of bills notes drafts checks and other negotiable paper on such days" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws forty-six)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 545, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act declaring the holding of offices or appointments under this State incompatible with the holding or exercising offices or appointments under the United States" approved the twelfth day of February one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws thirty-seven)

Section one and two of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act declaring the holding of any office or appointment under this State incompatible with the holding or exercising offices or appointments under the United States" approved the sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred twelve (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five)

Section thirty-eight of an act entitled "An Act regulating election districts" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-eight (Pamphlet Laws five hundred ninety-three)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to preserve and perfect the validity of judgments entered upon the continuance or appearance dockets of the courts' and for other purposes" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws five hundred forty-two)

Section forty-three of an act entitled "An Act relating to the bail of executrixes to partition in the orphans' court and common pleas to colored convicts in Philadelphia to the limitation of actions against corporations to actions enforcing the payment of ground rent to trustees of married women to appeals from awards of arbitrators by corporations to hawkers and peddlers in the Counties of Butler and Union to the payment of costs in actions by informers in certain cases to taxing lands situate in different townships and in relation to fees of county treasurers of Lycoming Clinton and Schuylkill to provide for recording the accounts of executors administrators guardians and auditors' reports and to amend and alter existing laws relative to the administration of justice in this Commonwealth" which became a law the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-nine)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 546, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to inns and taverns

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act that no public house or inn within this province be kept without license" approved the twenty-eighth day of February one thousand seven hundred eleven (one Smith's Laws seventy-three)

Sections one two three four five six eight nine and eleven of an act entitled "An Act to regulate inns and taverns" approved the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-two)

Sections one two three four five eleven thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen and twenty-four of an act entitled "An Act relating to inns taverns and retailers of vinous and spirituous liquors" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventeen)

Section nine of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the borough of Girard in the county of Erie' and to authorize the borough of Erie to borrow money and to encourage agriculture and the mechanic arts in Erie county and relative to the election of assistant wardens in the port of Philadelphia to county treasurers and delinquent innkeepers" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-one)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 547, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of Acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of Acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the province of Pennsylvania" approved the second day of February one thousand seven hundred sixty-five (Volume six page three hundred ninety-two Statutes at Large Chapter five hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to explain and amend a supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the province of Pennsylvania' " approved the twentieth day of September one thousand seven hundred sixty-five (Volume six page four hundred fifty-nine Statutes at Large Chapter five hundred thirty-one

An Act entitled "An Act for the relief of (the) languishing prisoners in the gaols of the several counties within this province with respect to the imprisonment of their persons" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand seven hundred seventy (Volume seven page three hundred forty-seven Statutes at Large Chapter six hundred eleven)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen and eighteen of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors" approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixteen)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act for the relief of insolvent debtors" approved the thirteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-six)

Sections one four and six of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors'" approved the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws nine)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors' passed the twenty-ninth January one thousand eight hundred and twenty" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-five)

An act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to compel assignees to settle their accounts and for other purposes'" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the relief of insolvent debtors' passed the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred and fourteen" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-six)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of the poor" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to compel assignees to settle their accounts and for other purposes'" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-five)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'A Supplement to the act entitled An Act to compel assignees to settle their accounts and for other purposes'" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-two)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the executors of doctor Samuel Du Fresne of the City of Lancaster deceased to sell certain real estate and relating to discharge of insolvent applicants and so forth" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-eight (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twenty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to discharge from prison all persons confined in jail without proceedings under the insolvent laws" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws ninety-nine)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any Act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or suspended The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisionus shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 548, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the registration of births and deaths in the several counties of the Commonwealth" approved the sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred forty number two hundred eighty-one)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the registration of births and deaths in the several counties of this Commonwealth approved the sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three' so as to require the affidavit of the assessor provided for by said act to be made before the clerk of the orphans' court and to require the respective counties to pay for all services rendered in pursuance of said act" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-six number one hundred fifty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by means of certificates of births and deaths and burial or removal permits requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics at the capitol of the State as required to be established by the State Board of Health and to insure the thorough organization and efficiency of the registration of vital statistics throughout the State as provided in section seven of 'An Act to establish a State Board of Health for the better protection of life and health and to prevent the spread of contagious and infectious diseases in this Commonwealth approved June third eighteen hundred and eighty-five and making an appropriation for establishing and maintaining such a bureau and providing certain penalties" approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend sections five nine fifteen nineteen twenty and twenty-five of an act entitled . Act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by means of certificates of births and deaths and burial or removal permits requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics at the capital of the State as required to be established by the State Board of Health and to insure the thorough organization and efficiency of the registration of vital statistics throughout the State as provided in section seven of "An Act to establish a State Board of Health for the better protection of life and health and to prevent the spread of contagious and infectious diseases in this Commonwealth" approved June third eighteen hundred and eighty-five and making an appropriation for establishing and maintaining such a bureau and providing certain penalties' which was approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five by extending the territory in which burial permits shall be valid providing for the issuance of burial permits without fees establishing a method for securing the given names of children making a uniform date for the returns of local registrars providing for certain fees in cities of the first and second class to be paid by the counties and abolishing all other systems of registration of births and deaths" approved the sixth day of June one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred twenty-two number two hundred ninety-two)

An Act entitled "An Act amending the twentieth section of an act approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five entitled 'An Act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by means of certificates of births and deaths and burial or removal permits requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics at the ecapital of the State as required to be established by the State Board of Health and to insure the thorough organization and efficiency of the registration of vital statistics throughout the State as provided in section seven of an act entitled "An Act to establish a State Board of Health for the better protection of life and health and to prevent the spread of contagious and infectious diseases in this Commonwealth" approved June third eighteen hundred and eighty-five and making an appropriation for establishing and maintaining such a bureau and providing certain penalties' as amended by an act approved the sixth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to amend sections five nine fifteen nineteen twenty and twenty-five of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by means of certificates of births and deaths and burial or removal permits requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics at the capital of the State as required to be established by the State Board of Health and to insure the thorough organization and efficiency of the registration of vital statistics throughout the State as provided in section seven of "An Act to establish a State Board of Health for the better protection of life and health and to prevent the spead of contagious and infectious diseases in this Commonwealth" approved June third eighteen hundred and eighty-five and making an appropriation for establishing and maintaining such a bureau and providing certain penalties" which was approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five by extending the territory in which burial permits shall be valid providing for the issuance of burial permits without fees establishing a method for securing the given names of children making a uniform date for the returns of local registrars providing for certain fees in cities of the first and second class to be paid by the counties and abolishing all other systems of registrations of births and deaths' by changing the fees for birth and death certificates" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by means of certificates of birth and deaths and burial or removal permits requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics at the capital of the State as required to be established by the State Board of Health and to insure the thorough organization and efficiency of the registration of vital satistics throughout the State as provided in section seven of "An Act to establish a State Board of Health for the better protection of life and health and to prevent the spread of contagious and infectious diseases in this Commonwealth" approved June third eighteen hundred and eighty-five and making an appropriation for establishing and maintaining such a bureau and providing certain penalties' approved May first one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirty) authorizing the statistics required to be obtained and preserved by the tenth section of an act entitled 'An Act creating a Department of Health and defining its powers and duties' approved April twenty-seventh one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and twelve) or by any subsequent law or laws to be obtained collected compiled and preserved by and in said Central Bureau of Vital Statistics and fixing the salary of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics" approved the sixteenth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred fifty)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 549, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of Acts of Assembly are hereby absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act for the regulating of money weights and for stamping the same" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (Volume two page eighty-six Statutes at Large Chapter seventy-one)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act for regulating weights and measures" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (one Smith's Laws eighteen)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act for regulating the guaging of Cask in this province" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand seven hundred twenty-two (one Smith's Laws one hundred fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act establishing a standard weight for grains and foreign salt" approved the tenth day of March one thousand eight hundred eighteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-two)

Sections five and six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the secretary of the Commonwealth to distribute copies of the standard of weights and measures and for the appointment of sealers" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the standard weight of Indian corn" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-five number three hundred fourteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the standard measure of charcoal" approved the twenty-second day of January one thousand eight hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-one number ten)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the Standard weight of oats" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the standard weight of clover seed" approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty number two hundred twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the standard weight of potatoes" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-five (Pamphlet Laws forty number twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor to appoint a sealer of weights and measures in the several counties of this Commonwealth" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty two number fifty)

An Act entitled "An Act to more clearly define the duties of sealers of weights and measures" approved the twenty-fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the standard weight of a bushel of potatoes" approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty number one hundred fifty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the standard weight of a bushel of onions" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws fifty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the standard weight of a bushel of clover seed" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-three number one hundred forty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the standard weight of a bushel of oats" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws ten number eight)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provision of this act shall not effect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested not affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decisions shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 550, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to navigation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one and two of an act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages and for other purposes therein mentioned'" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws forty)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Somerset and Johnstown Plank Road Company relating to the half pilotage law in relation to elections in Tioga county" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-nine)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 551, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section one of an act entitled "An Act concerning bills of exchange" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-six)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act in relation to bills of exchange" approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twenty-nine number six hundred sixty-five)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 552, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to notaries public

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act relative to the appointment of notaries public" approved the twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws ninety number fifty-two)

Section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act to authorize the governor to appoint additional notaries public" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws seven number six)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing the terms of office of notaries public and regulating the appointment thereof" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-one number one hundred forty-seven)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 553, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to labor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatievs of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections two three four and five of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of the heirs of James Caldwell deceased and relative to the hours of labor in manufacturing establishments" approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred seventy-one number four hundred fifteen)

Section two of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act for the better protection of the wages of mechanics miners laborers and others approved the ninth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twenty number fifty-three

An Act entitled "An Act to secure to operatives and laborers engaged in and about coal mines manufactories of iron and steel and all other manufactories the payment of their wages at regular intervals and in lawful money of the United States" approved the twenty-ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the employment and provide for the safety of women and children in mercantile industries and manufacturing establishments and to provide for the appointment of inspectors to enforce the same and other acts providing for the safety or regulating the employment of said persons" approved the twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to prohibit the employment of any minor under the age of fourteen years in or about elevators" approved the twenty-fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-one number eighty-three)

An Act except sections twelve and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the employment and provide for the safety of women and children in manufacturing establishments mercantile industries laundry or renovating establishments and to provide for the appointment of inspectors to enforce the same and other acts providing for the safety or regulating the employment of said persons" approved the third day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-six)

Sections three four and five of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the employment and provide for the safety of persons employed in tenement houses and shops where clothing cigarettes cigars and certain other articles are made or partially made and to provide for the appointment of inspectors to enforce the same and to provide for the safety and regulating the employment of said persons" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws thirty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to protect employes of corporations in their right to form join or belong to labor organizations by prescribing penalties for any interference therewith" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixteen number ninety-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the hours of labor of mechanics workingmen and laborers in the employ of the State or municipal corporations therein or otherwise engaged on public works" approved the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighteen)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 554, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to landlords and tenants

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of Acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section four of an act entitled "An Act for the sale of goods distrained for rent and to secure such goods to the persons distraining the same for the better security of rents and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy-two (one Smith's Laws three hundred and seventy)

Sections three and four of an act entitled "An Act to enable purchasers at sheriff's or coroner's sales to obtain possession" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-six)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 555, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to enable executors and administrators by leave of court to convey lands and tenements contracted for with their decedents and for other purposes therein mentioned'" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (three Smiths Laws one hundred twenty-nine Chapter one thousand seven hundred thirty)

An act entitled "An Act providing for the sale of the estate of lunatics or persons non compos mentis in certain cases" approved the seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws forty-five)

An act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act providing for the sale of the estate of lunatics or persons non compos mentis in certain cases'" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred eighteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred one Chapter one hundred sixty-three)

An act entitled "An Act relative to habitual drunkards" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws seventy-four)

An act entitled "A supplement to the act relative to habitual drunkards" approved the nineteenth day of January one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws four)

An act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act relative to habitual drunkards'" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-six)

Section twelve of an act entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eighty-nine)

Sections six eight ten eleven and fourteen of an act entitled "An Act to establish an asylum for the insane of this Commonwealth" approved the fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws fifty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act for the protection of persons unable to care for their own property" approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred)

An act entitled "An Act amending section six of an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of persons unable to care for their own property' so as to authorize the guardian provided for in said act to support the wife and children of said feeble-minded person" approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twelve number ninety)

An act entitled "An Act amending section one of an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of persons unable to care for their own property' approved June twenty-fifth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and section six of said act as amended by an act entitled 'An Act amending section six of an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of persons unable to care for their own property so as to authorize the guardian provided for in said act to support the wife and children of said feeble-minded person' approved April twenty-eighth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine so as to confer concurrent jurisdiction upon the orphans court enable additional persons to petition enlarge the powers of the guardian and authorize the sale of the real estate of the ward" approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred seventy-four number two hundred eighty-two)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 556, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of assembly relating to jurors

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "The law about summoning of juries" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (volume two page one hundred thirty-two Statutes at Large chapter ninety-eight)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen seventeen eighteen nineteen and twenty of an act entitled "An Act for the better regulation of juries" approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand seven hundred eighty-five (volume eleven page four hundred and eighty-six Statutes at Large chapter eleven hundred and thirty-eight)

Sections one three four five six seven nine ten eleven twelve fourteen and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act directing the mode of selecting and returning jurors" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-three)

Sections two three four and five of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act directing the mode of selecting and returning jurors'" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twenty-four)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act to repeal so much of an act passed April fourth one thousand eight hundred and seven as directs the township assessors to select and return jurors and also allowing peremptory challenges in certain cases" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-three chapter ninety-one)

An Act entitled "An Additional Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act directing the mode of selecting and returning jurors'" approved the thirteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act allowing mileage to jurors and for other purposes" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five chapter sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act to increase the pay of jurors in this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-eighth day of February one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-seven number twelve)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 557, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections thirteen twenty-eight thirty-five thirty-eight and forty-six of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effects of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway tollroad conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be bone and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway tollroad conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto' approved June the fourth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act providing a method whereby moneys due sub-contractors for labor and materials furnished for and in the construction of municipal work or public improvements may be secured and recovered" approved the sixth day of May one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-one)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 558, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of Acts of Assembly relating to married women

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of Acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section two of an act entitled "An Act relating to last wills and testaments" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-nine)

Sections three and four of an act entitled "An Act relating to the rights of property of husband and wife" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifteen)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to certain charitable corporations" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize married women owning capital stock of any railroad company to sell and transfer the same" approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-three number two hundred sixty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act enabling married women to purchase sewing machines" approved the twenty-ninth day of February one thousand eight hundred seventy-two (Pamphlet Laws twenty-one number seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize married women owning loans of this Commonwealth" or of the City of Philadelphia or capital stock of any corporation of this Commonwealth to sell and transfer the same" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine number nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to authorize married women owning loans of this Commonwealth or of the City of Philadelphia or capital stock of any corporation of this Commonwealth to sell and transfer the same' approved the first day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four extending the provisions of said act so as to include the loans as well as the capital stock of corporations of this Commonwealth" approved the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws twenty-four number twenty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the assignment and satisfaction of record and validating former satisfactions of record by married women of mortgages or judgments belonging to them" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-two number one hundred ninety-five)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 559, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "A further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth'" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth'" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-five number one hundred sixty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed the second day of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred and twenty-two entitled 'An Act for the regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth and the several supplements thereto" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-two)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth'" approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty)

Section twenty-three of an act entitled "An Act relating to executions and for other purposes" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ten)

Sections one two and three of an act entitled "An Act to create a new division to be called the seventeenth division of the Pennsylvania Militia" approved the twelfth day of June one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws six hundred sixty-three)

Sections two three four five and six of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the Governor to incorporate the Tioga Navigation Company' passed the twenty-sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six and for other purposes" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-two)

Section forty-one of an act entitled "An Act concerning the trust estate of Hugh Roberts deceased and for other purposes" approved the sixteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to reduce the expenses of the militia system of this Commonwealth and provide a more rigid mode for the collection of militia fines" approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-four (Pamphlet Laws three hundred ninety-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to create a third battalion out of the second regiment second brigade eighth division of the Pennsylvania militia in the county of Luzerne" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to alter an act entitled 'An Act to reduce the expenses of the militia system of this Commonwealth and provide a more rigid mode for the collection of militia fines' passed the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty-four so far as it respects the second brigade ninth division of the Pennsylvania militia" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to revise the militia system and provide for the training of such only as shall be uniformed" approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred fifty-five)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to revise the militia system and provide for the training of such only as shall be uniformed' passed April seventeen one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine" approved the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three" (Pamphlet Laws six hundred fifty-four)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an Act for the better regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Brigade Inspector of the Second Brigade Seventh Division Pennsylvania Militia to appoint a deputy" approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred sixty-one (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and fifty-nine)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act for the better organization of the militia of the Commonwealth approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one" approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred sixty-one (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred sixty-nine number six hundred ninety-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the adjudication and payment of certain military claims" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws five hundred thirty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor to furnish tourniquets for the use of the soldiers of this State" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred forty-nine number three hundred fifty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the military board of claims" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twenty)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act to authorize certain military officers to take affidavits testimony and acknowledgments of the execution of deeds and other instruments of writing of persons in the military service of this State or the United States" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws five hundred seventy-two)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act for the organization discipline and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approved March fourth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-five (Pamphlet Laws eight number nine)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act for the organization discipline and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approved May fourth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four" approved the twenty-sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-one number two hundred twenty-six)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act approved May fourth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four entitled 'An Act for the organization discipline and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania'" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and two number seventy-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws twenty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the eighth sixteenth forty-second and fiftieth sections of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania' approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven providing for per diem pay for cavalry" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-six number one hundred sixty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the forty-ninth and fifty-sixth sections of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania' approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven increasing the amount to be paid for armory rent and extending the privileges of the roll of retired officers" approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-three number one hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven entitled 'An act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania and the several supplements thereto' providing for the more efficient organization and government of the National Guard of Pennsylvania" approved the tenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the fifty-second and the sixty-third sections of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania' approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven changing and fixing the per diem pay of the musicians and the annual appropairtion to military bands and also changing the rank of band leader" approved the fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twenty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania" approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the enrollment organization discipline and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania' approved the twenty-eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by providing for the organization of a regiment of cavalry the establishment of regimental bands and of a hospital corps" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws eighty-six)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the organization discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Pennsylvania' approved twenty-eighth day of April eighteen hundred and ninety-nine providing for increasing the efficiency of the National Guard by the retirement of officers upon age or service and defining the duties and rights of such retired officers" approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-seven number two hundred fifty-eight)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provision of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 560, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for a right of way across or under the rivers or other streams of this Commonwealth for the better or more convenient mining of anthracite coal" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act providing the means for securing the health and safety of persons employed in the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania" approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide proper means of conveyance of persons injured in or about the mines to their homes" approved the tenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws seventeen number twenty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to provide the means for securing the health and safety of persons employed in the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania' approved the eighteenth day of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-seven" approved the third day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws forty-seven number fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend part of an act entitled 'An Act to provide proper means of conveyance of persons injured in or about the mines to their homes'" approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws forty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in coal mines' approved third of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy providing for the furnishing of props and timbers to the miners in the mines" approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws fifty-five number forty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act providing the means for securing the health and safety of persons employed in the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania' approved the eighteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and one)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to bituminous coal mines and providing for the lives health safety and welfare of persons employed therein" approved the thirtieth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred five)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith" approved the thirtieth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the examination of miners in the anthracite region of this Commonwealth and to prevent the employment of incompetent persons as miners in anthracite coal mines" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the weighing of bituminous coal before screening and providing a penalty for the violation thereof" approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-six)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act to amend article nine section one of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith' approved June second one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one also to amend section seventeen of an act entitled 'An Act relating to bituminous coal mines and providing for the lives health safety and welfare of persons employed therein' approved June thirtieth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five" approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-nine)

Sections one and four article twelve of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the bituminous coal-mines of Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred fifty-six)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 561, as follows:

An Act to repeal an Act approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen) entitled "A supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four entitled an act to prevent the destruction of timber and supplementary to the act entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods passed the eighteenth of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen) entitled "A supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four entitled An Act to prevent the destruction of timber and supplementary to the act entitled An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods passed the eighteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four" is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 562, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven) entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves and the distribution of revenue so derived for school and road purposes" insofar as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the fifth day of April one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven) entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves and the distribution of revenue so derived for school and road purposes" is repealed insofar as it fixes a charge on lands acquired by the State for forest reserves and provides for the distribution of revenue so derived for school purposes

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 563, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act for erecting of pounds in each township in this province" approved the tenth day of May one thousand seven hundred twenty-nine (one Smith's Laws one hundred seventy-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the several courts of quarter sessions within their respective counties to lay off alter and divide townships and for other purposes" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-nine)

Section two of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and for laying out private roads" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred eighteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-six)

Section ninety-three of an act entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships and county and township officers" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred thirty-seven number two hundred forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the construction and maintenance of side paths along the highways in the townships of the Commonwealth for the use of bicycles and pedestrians providing for the appointment of side

path commissioners prescribing their duties and the duties of the assessors in the assessment of bicycles providing for levying collecting and disbursement of a tax on bicycles" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws thirty-six)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 564, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections thirteen and fourteen of an act entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the Lackawaxen at or near Paupack Eddy in the county of Wayne" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-nine)

Sections six and seven of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the commissioners of the incorporated districts of the Northern Liberties and Kensington to open a street to be called Delaware avenue to the duties of assessors vendors of mineral waters the fire association of Philadelphia vacancies in the school boards in the county of Philadelphia to lost mortgages Auditors of Philadelphia County rebuilding of the court house in Philadelphia to enable the commissioners of Philadelphia county to borrow money to settle certain accounts between Spring Garden and the Commonwealth and respecting the appointment of auditors" which became a law the twenty-fourth day of January one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred seventy-eight)

Section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to the sixth section of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the commissioners of the incorporated districts of the Northern Liberties and Kensington to open a street to be called Delaware avenue relative to the duties of assessors venders of mineral waters' passed the twenty-fourth day of January one thousand eight hundred forty-nine and the supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relative to the venders of mineral waters and an act relative to the Washington Coal Company to sheriffs' sales of real estate to the substitution of executors and trustees when plaintiff's to partition of common pleas and for other purposes' passed the ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-nine relative to the Pennsylvania Building and Loan Association and to the Venango Railroad Company" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws six hundred forty-three)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 565, as follows:

An Act to repeal the act approved the second day of July one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten) entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth and providing a penalty for killing removing or injuring the same what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties and for keeping a record by the supervisors of roads of the trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the second day of July one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten) entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth and providing a penalty for killing removing or injuring the same what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties and for keeping a record by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads of the trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted" is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 566, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to trade regulations

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections three four five and six of an act entitled "An Act for regulating the gauging of Cask in this province" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand seven hundred twenty-two (one Smith's Laws one hundred fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act more effectually to prevent unfair practices in the packing of beef and pork for exportation" approved the eighteenth day of August one thousand seven hundred twenty-seven (one Smiths Laws one hundred seventy)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the exportation of bad or unmerchantable staves heading boards and timber" approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand seven hundred fifty-nine (one Smith's Laws two hundred twenty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the act entitled 'An Act to prevent the exportation of bad and unmerchantable staves heading boards and timber'" approved the twentieth day of May one thousand seven hundred sixty-seven (one Smith's Laws two hundred seventy-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent frauds in the packing and preserving of shad herring for exportation" approved the twenty-fourth day of December one thousand seven hundred seventy-four (one Smith's Laws four hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act for the inspection of shingles" approved the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand seven hundred eighty-nine (two Smith's Laws five hundred four)

Sections one two three four five and seven of an act entitled "A supplement to the several acts of Assembly of this State relative to the inspection of staves heading and lumber" approved the fifth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety (two Smith's Laws five hundred twenty-eight chapter fifteen hundred and one)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the inspection of flour in certain western counties of the State" approved the thirtieth day of September one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws fifty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the appointment of an inspector of staves and heading" approved the seventeenth day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety-six (three Smith's Laws two hundred sixty-eight)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to prevent the exportation of bread and flour not merchantable and for repealing at a certain time all the laws heretofore made for that purpose'" approved the fifteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred (three Smith's Laws four hundred thirty-seven chapter two thousand one hundred thirty-three)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to prevent the exportation of bad or unmerchantable staves heading boards and timber'" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws five hundred seventy-three chapter one hundred sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act for the inspection of butter intended for exportation" approved the seventh day of January one thousand eight hundred four (Pamphlet Laws five)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the inspection of ground black-oak bark intended for exportation" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred four (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act for the inspection of hogs-lard intended for exportation" approved the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-three chapter one hundred)

An Act entitled "An Act to continue an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the inspection of ground black-oak bark intended for exportation'" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty)

An Act entitled "An Act supplemental to an act to prevent frauds in the packing and preserving of shad and herring for exportation" approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred ten (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to prevent the exportation of bread and flour not merchantable and for repealing at a certain time all the laws heretofore made for that purpose'" approved the thirteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws forty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to continue an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the inspection of ground black-oak bark intended for exportation'" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred twelve (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-eight chapter one hundred eighty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the inspection of spirituous liquors" approved the fourteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to the acts for the inspection of butter and hogs lard intended for exportation" approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-three)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act providing for the inspection of spirituous liquors' passed the fourteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and fourteen and for the prevention of fraud in the purchase or sale of flour or whiskey" approved the thirteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-one)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the inspection of ground black oak bark intended for exportation'" approved the fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws forty Chapter thirty-five)

Resolution approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred two Chapter four) which reads as follows "That it shall be the duty of the inspectors of flour and bark for the port of Philadelphia to report in the month of January in each year under oath to the Auditor General the quantity of flour and bark by them severally inspected together with the amount of their several receipts and expenditures"

Sections three and four of an act entitled "An Act to regulate inspections" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-three)

A resolution entitled "Resolution relative to inspectors of beef pork et cetera in the city and county of Philadelphia" approved the first day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirteen Chapter three)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to regulate the inspectors of flour in certain western counties of the State'" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-five Chapter one hundred sixty-two)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to regulate the inspection of flour in certain western counties of the State' passed the thirtieth day of September one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one" approved the first day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-two chapter twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia and for regulating the inspection of the same" approved the twenty-seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws forty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-six number one hundred three)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the better inspection of butter and lard" approved the twenty-seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventeen)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the inspection of flour in certain western counties of the State'" approved the thirtieth day of January one thousand eight hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws forty-seven number thirty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the inspection of tobacco for the port of Philadelphia" approved the tenth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the inspection of tobacco for the port of Philadelphia'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to inspections" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-four)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relating to inspections' approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty-two)

Section thirty-seven of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Preston Retreat and relative to the sale of lands of Saint John's Church in Norristown Montgomery county and for other purposes" approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred ten)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to appeals from county auditors and for other purposes" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-seven)

An Act entitled "A furter supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relating to inspection' approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eleven)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the inspection of pickled fish and to prevent fraud in the vending of the same" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to the inspection of domestic distilled spirits" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any Act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 567, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the law for laying out of highways and public roads" approved the twentieth day of February one thousand seven hundred thirty-six (Volume four page two hundred ninety-six Statutes at Large chapter three hundred and forty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to enable the courts of quarter sessions of the several counties of this Commonwealth to vacate roads and highways in proper cases" approved the eighth day of February one thousand seven hundred eighty-five (Volume eleven page four hundred fifteen Statutes at Large chapter one thousand one hundred twenty-six)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and for laying out private roads'" approved the third day of April one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-three)

Sections two three four and five of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for laying out and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and laying out private roads'" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-nine)

An act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within the Commonwealth and for laying out private roads'" approved the sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws twenty-seven chapter twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize undertakers of public bridges to procure materials for building said bridges" approved the sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and for laying out private roads'" approved the first day of March one thousand eight hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty-six)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and for laying out private roads'" approved the seventeenth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws eighty-seven chapter sixty-two)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and for laying out private roads'" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to declare the uses of certain bonds" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-three number one hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for laying out making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this Commonwealth and for laying out private roads'" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fourteen)

Paragraph ten of a resolution entitled "Resolution relative to James Lyon and for other purposes" approved the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred forty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the acquisition of turnpikes roads or highways heretofore or hereafter constructed near or through any borough or township in this Commonwealth upon which tolls are charged the traveling public" approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy number one hundred thirty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to purchase maintain use and condemn bridges erected and in use over rivers and streams separating or dividing any part or district of such counties and providing the manner in which compensation shall be made" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-one)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any Act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 568, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to ascertain fix and establish permanent salaries for the judges of the Supreme Court" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred eighty five (Volume eleven page five hundred fourteen Statutes at Large chapter one thousand one hundred forty-two)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to enjoin certain duties on the Secretary of the Commonwealth and for other purposes" approved the twelfth day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws page eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the support of the government of this Commonwealth" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws page twenty-six)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the support of the government of this Commonwealth'" approved the eighth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-three (three Smith's Laws page one hundred eleven chapter one thousand six hundred sixty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to enjoin certain duties on the Secretary of the Commonwealth and for other purposes'" approved the eighth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (Statutes at Large thirty-seven volume fifteen chapter one thousand seven hundred thirty-six)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act for the support of the government of this Commonwealth'" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (three Smith's Laws one hundred eighty-three)

Sections one two and six of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the payment of clerks in the office of the surveyor-general and secretary of the land office and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-five (three Smith's Laws two hundred fifty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act for continuing the present salaries of the judes of the Supreme Court the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the presidents of the courts of common pleas" approved the fourth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-eight (three Smith's Laws three hundred twenty-nine chapter one thousand nine hundred ninety-five)

An Act entitled "An Act establishing the compensation of the Deputy Secretary of this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing the salaries of the officers therein mentioned" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-nine)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the support of the government of this Commonwealth'" approved the seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws forty-eight chapter twenty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act making provision for travelling expenses of the presidents and associate judges of the courts of common pleas" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-nine chapter one hundred forty)

An Act entitled "An Act reducing the salaries of the Governor and Secretary of the Commonwealth" approved the eighteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws one thousand eight hundred twenty-one)

Sections two three four five and six of an act entitled "An Act reducing the salaries of sundry public officers and the daily pay of members of the Legislature" approved the eighteenth day of January one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to increase the salaries of the president judge of the fifth judicial district and of the judge of the district court of the county of Allegheny" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-nine number one hundred one)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to reduce the expenses of government" which became a law the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-four)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act relative to the surveyor general's office" which became a law the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act allowing compensation to the Auditor General and State Treasurer for their services as commissioners of the internal improvement fund and sinking fund" which became a law the fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws thirty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to the salaries of associate judges of this Commonwealth" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws four hundred four)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the salaries of the associate judges of this Commonwealth" approved the twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twelve number six hundred fifty-two)

A resolution entitled "Joint resolution relative to the pay of the Board of Revenue Commissioners" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws six hundred nine number ten)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred sixteen number eight hundred five)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth" approved the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred sixty-seven (Pamphlet Laws twenty)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act establishing a health office and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases and for other purposes' approved the twenty-ninth January one thousand eight hundred and eighteen" approved the fourteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirty-two)

Section six of an act entitled "An Act regulating the election of secretary of internal affairs defining his duties and fixing his salary" approved the eleventh day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-five number sixty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws fifty-six number sixty-four)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of the judges of the courts of common pleas" approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws seventy-four number sixty-seven)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the several State officers of the Commonwealth the number of clerks to be employed in the several departments and their compensation and providing for the incidental expenses of said department' approved May fourteenth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four increasing the salary of the Deputy Attorney General and providing for the number of clerks and employes in the Attorney General's office also fixing the salary of the keeper of the Harisburg arsenal and the salary of the six men employed at the State Arsenal" approved the fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws four number three)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the salary of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture" approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-six number forty-five)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the several State officers of the Commonwealth the number of clerks to be employed in the several departments and their compensation and providing for the incidental expenses of said departments' approved May fourteenth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four increasing the salary of messenger in charge of flagroom" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ten number one hundred seventeen)

An Act entitled "An Act amending 'A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the several State officers of the Commonwealth the number of clerks to be employed in the several departments and their compensation and providing for the incidental expenses of said department" approved May fourteenth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four increasing the salary of the Deputy Attorney General and providing for the number of clerks and employes in the Attorney General's office also fixing the salary of the keeper of the Harrisburg Arsenal and the salary of the six men employed at the State Arsenal' approved the fourth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven" approved the eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-seven)

An Act entitled 'An Act regulating the salaries of the chaplains of the Senate and House of Representatives" ap-

proved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty number two hundred forty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the salary of the messenger in charge of the flag-room" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-nine)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the Attorney General the Deputy Attorney General and the salaries of the clerks and private secretary of the Attorney General's Department" approved the fourth day of May one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act increasing the salaries of the private secretary stenographer and messenger in the Attorney General's Department" approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-two number two hundred seventy-six)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 569, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to servants

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that the following Acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act for the better regulation of servants in this province and territories" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (one Smith's Laws ten)

An Act entitled "An Act for the relief of Redemptioners" approved the ninth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws chapter eighteen)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 570, as follows:

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four) entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium and for the maintenance thereof on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto in Franklin or Adams counties and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four) entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium and for the maintenance thereof on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto in Franklin or Adams counties and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same" is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 571, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one two three five and six of an act entitled "An Act relative to the State Library and Librarian" approved the twenty-fifth day of January one thousand eight hundred fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the distribution of State documents among the different States of the Union" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-one number one hundred ninety-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to increase the salary of the Assistant State Librarian" approved the first day of February one thousand eight hundred sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws number thirteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the hours of keeping open the State Library" approved the seventeenth day of February one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws eighteen number seventeen)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a night watchman for the State Library" approved the nineteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-nine number eighty-three)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 572, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act against buying land of the natives" approved the twenty-seventh day of November one thousand seven hundred (volume two page eighteen Statutes at Large chapter twenty)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act for the better confirmation of the estates of persons holding or claiming under feme-coverts and for establishing a mode by which husband and wife may hereafter convey their estates" approved the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand seven hundred seventy (one Smith's Laws three hundred seven)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act to enable purchasers at sheriffs or coroner's sales to obtain possession" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred two (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-six)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act directing the descent of intestates real estates and distribution of their personal estates and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred four (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-nine)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act directing the descents of intestates real estates and distribution of their personal estates and for other purposes therein mentioned'" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred five)

An Act entitled "An Act to remedy defects in the titles to real estate purchased by certain emigrants within this Commonwealth during the time they were aliens" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws eighty-six)

An Act entitled "A supplement to 'An Act to enable the purchasers at sheriff's or coroner's sales to obtain possession'" approved the fourteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred fourteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ten chapter seventy-five)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to enable religious societies to purchase and hold real estate and for other purposes" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-nine)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "A Supplement to the act of Assembly passed the twenty-ninth March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two relating to the proceedings in the orphans' court of this Commonwealth and for other purposes" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-eight)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act concerning certain sheriff's and coroner's sales and for other purposes" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws five hundred thirty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to proceedings in cases of partition in equity" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws five hundred nineteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the extinction of irredeemable rents" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act enlarging the powers of courts of equity throughout the State in cases of partition" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act confirmatory of the conveyances of real estate" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws ninety-eight number one hundred thirty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act confirmatory of the conveyances of real estate" approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws twenty-four)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 573, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to oaths and affirmations

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of Acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Affirmation Act for such who for conscience sake cannot take an oath" approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand seven hundred fifteen (Volume three page thirty-nine Statutes at Large chapter two hundred four)

Sections two and three of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of such persons as conscientiously scruple the taking of an oath in the common form" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy-two (one Smith's Laws three hundred eighty-seven)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 574, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of Acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the better security of life and property from the dangers of coal and petroleum oils" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws sixty number thirty-eight)

Sections one two four five six seven eight nine and ten of an act entitled "An Act relating to parties engaged in the storage and transportation by pipe lines of crude and refined petroleum oil and the issuing of fraudulent receipts certificates or vouchers and providing for monthly reports" approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the better security of life and property from the dangers of coal and petroleum oils" approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-nine)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 575, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of Acts of Assembly relating to public accounts

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections seventeen eighteen twenty twenty-one twenty-two and twenty-three of an act entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to the settlement of the public accounts and the payment of the public monies and for other purposes" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-five)

Sections three and four of an act entitled "An Act more effectually to secure the collection of the revenue from tavern licenses and for other purposes" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act establishing an internal improvement fund" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-six)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act requiring county treasurers to give bonds with security to the Commonwealth for the faithful discharge of certain duties and to repeal certain laws relating to treasurers' bonds" approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-one)

Sections eight and ten of an act entitled "An Act for the levy and collection of taxes upon proceedings in courts and in the offices of register and recorder and for other purposes" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-two)

Section two of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to the settlement of the public accounts and the payment of the public monies and for other purposes' and a supplement to an act entitled 'An Act establishing an internal improvement fund'" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-seven)

Paragraph one of a resolution entitled "Resolution to prevent collectors and other public agents from speculating with the public funds in notes of the fourth May one thousand eight hundred and forty-one" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-eight)

Sections one two three four five six seven eight and nine of an act entitled "An Act to create a sinking fund and to provide for the gradual and certain extinguishment of the debt of the Commonwealth" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred seventy)

Section seventy-four of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government the repairs of the public canals and railroads and other general appropriations" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred ninety-five)

Section seventy-nine of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government the repairs of public canals and railroads and other general and special appropriations" approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws five hundred fifty-nine)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to establish a sinking fund for the payment of public debt" approved the twenty- second day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-eight (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to the settlements of registers of Wills recorders of deeds prothonotaries and clerks of courts with the State Treasurer" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-one number five hundred forty-six)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act relating to management of the State Treasury and the sinking fund" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy (Pamphlet Laws seventy-three number forty-seven)

Section eleven of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to the several acts relating to the State Treasurer and to the commissioners of the sinking fund" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-six)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 576, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute laws of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public officers and employes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section five of an act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the expense of government and payment of certain debts and for other purposes" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act making appropriations and for other purposes" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the settlement of public accounts and for other purposes therein mentioned'" approved the tenth day of January one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws two chapter two)

Section ten of an act entitled "An Act abolishing the offices of receiver-general and master of the rolls and transferring the duties therein performed to other offices and for other purposes" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-two)

Sections thirty-nine forty forty-one forty-two forty-four and forty-five of an act entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to the settlement of the public accounts and the payment of the public monies and for other purposes" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-five)

Sections two three and six of an act entitled "An Act enjoining duties upon the Attorney General and for other purposes" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-six)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to the settlement of the public accounts and the payment of the public moneys and for other purposes'" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws five chapter seven)

An act entitled "An Act designating the period for the commencement of the official term of the State Treasurer" approved the twenty-eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-eight (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-five number two hundred thirty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the election of a State Treasurer" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred fifty-seven (Pamphlet Laws sixty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the election of a State Treasurer" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred sixty-four (Pamphlet Laws ten)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing the number and pay of the officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws seventy number thirty-six)

Sections one two and three of an act entitled "An Act supplementary to the several acts relative to the State Treasurer and to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund" approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy (Pamphlet Laws sixty-seven)

Sections three and six of an act entitled "An Act regulating the election of State Treasurer" approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws seventy-seven number fifty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution relative to contracts for supplies for the Legislature and the various departments of the State Government" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws forty-five number five)

Sections two four and five of an act entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of members of the General Assembly and the number duties and compensation of the officers and employes thereof" approved the eleventh day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act fixing salaries of county officers in counties containing over one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and requiring the payment of the fees of such officers into the respective county treasuries" approved the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-nine number one hundred twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing an increase in the number of clerks employed in the office of the State Treasurer and fixing the salary thereof' approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws seven number six)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'A supplement to an act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the several State officers of the Commonwealth the number of clerks to be employed in the several departments and their compensation and providing for the incidental expenses of said department" approved May fourteenth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four increasing the salary of the Deputy Attorney General and providing for the number of clerks and employes in the Attorney General's office also fixing the salary of the keeper of the Harrisburg Arsenal and the salary of the six men employed at the State Arsenal' approved the fourth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven so as to provide for an additional clerk in the place of a messenger in the Atorney General's office and fixing the salary of such a clerk" approved the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to employ a skilled stenographer and typewriter in the Insurance Department" approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws ninety number sixty-three)

Sections twelve thirteen fourteen and fifteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the Public Grounds and Buildings defining the powers of the Commissioners authorizing the Board of Commissioners to carry into effect the provisions of section twelve Article three of the Constitution relative to contracts for stationery supplies fuel furniture furnishings distribution of documents repairs alterations or improvements and other matters needed by the Legislature the several departments boards and commissions of the State government and Executive Mansion authorizing the appointment of a superintendent and defining his powers authority and duties and providing for the appointment of subordinate officers required by this act and fixing the compensation of the same" approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws twenty-two number twelve)

Sections one to eight inclusive of an act entitled "An Act establishing a Bureau of Mines in the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania defining its purposes and authority providing for the appointment of a chief of said bureau and assistants and fixing their salaries and expenses" approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act creating the office of additional law clerk in the Attorney General's Department and fixing the salary thereof" approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twelve number eighty-nine)

Section six an act entitled "An Act to establish a Department of Forestry to provide for its proper administration to regulate the acquisition of land for the Commonwealth and to provide for the control protection and maintenance of forestry reservations by the Department of Forestry" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws eleven number nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to fix the number of clerks and employes of the Attorney General's Department and the salaries of the same" approved the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws sixty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act creating the office of assistant Deputy Attorney General in the Attorney General's Department and authorizing the appointment of an additional stenographer in the Attorney General's Department and fixing the salaries thereof" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws twenty-six number twenty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act creating the office of Second Assistant Deputy Attorney General in the Attorney General's Department and fixing the salary of said assistant" approved the fifteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws twenty-one number twenty-two

Sections one and two of an act entitled "An Act regulating the number of employes in the Adjutant-General's Department and in the State Arsenal fixing the annual salaries to be paid to each authorizing the Adjutant General to make the appointment of employes in the Adjutant-General's Department and the State Arsenal and giving authority to make such assignments to duty and to change or alter such assignments as may in his judgment be necessary to subserve the interests of the Commonwealth fixing the salary of the Adjutnat-General and providing for payment of such salaries as now provided by law" approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act reorganizing the Attorney General's Department designating the officers and employes thereof and fixing their salaries" approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-one number eighty-seven)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 577, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Section three of an act entitled "An Act for instituting a board of property and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the eighth day of January one thousand seven hundred ninety-one (three Smith's Laws page two)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to the patenting of lands" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-six)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 578, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues State and local

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act for raising a supply of twopence halfpenny per pound and ten shillings per head also for granting an impost and laying an excise on sundry liquors and negroes imported into this province for the support of government and defraying the necessary public charges in the administration thereof" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page two hundred eighty Statutes at Large chapter one hundred fifty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act for the better encouraging the trade of this province" approved the twenty-second day of February one thousand seven hundred eighteen (Volume three page one hundred forty-five Statutes at Large chapter two hundred twenty-four)

An Act except section three (Section five Pamphlet Laws) entitled "A supplement to the act for raising of county rates and levies" approved the first day of October one thousand seven hundred seventy-nine (Volume nine page four hundred two Statutes at Large chapter eight hundred fifty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act for an impost on goods wares and merchandise imported into this State" approved the twenty-third day of December one thousand seven hundred eighty (volume ten page two hundred fifty-two Statutes at Large chapter nine hundred twenty-five)

Sections one four five and nine of an act entitled "An Act for raising and collecting of money on the specified articles therein mentioned for the support of government and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand seven hundred eighty-three (volume eleven page sixty-five Statutes at Large chapter one thousand eighteen)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for an impost on goods wares and merchandise imported into this State'" approved the twenty-fifth day of September one thousand seven hundred eighty-three (volume eleven page one hundred eighty-eight Statutes at Large chapter one thousand fifty-one)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to revive and continue in force the acts of Assembly regulating sales by public auction and for other purposes therein mentioned" approved the ninth day of December one thousand seven hundred eighty-three (two Smith's Laws eighty-six)

An act entitled "An Act to regulate the mode of assessing and collecting county rates and levies" approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-five (Volume fifteen page three hundred twenty-two Statutes at Large chapter one thousand eight hundred fifty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to tax the office of the prothonotary or clerk of the Supreme Court" which became a law the fifth day of December one thousand eight hundred one (Pamphlet Laws three one thousand eight hundred and two)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act taxing certain offices'" approved the twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred twelve (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty)

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the enumeration of the taxable inhabitants and slaves within this Commonwealth" approved the sixth day of January one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to provide for the enumeration of the taxable inhabitants and slaves within the Commonwealth'" approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws ninety-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act laying a duty on the retailers of foreign merchandise" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to raise and collect county rates and levies'" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight)

Sections one and two of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to raise and collect county rates and levies'" approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred six)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act relating to collateral inheritances'" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty)

Sections two and five of an act entitled "An Act for the levy and collection of taxes upon proceedings in courts and in the office of register and recorder and for other purposes" approved the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-two)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to increase the county rates and levies for the use of the Commonwealth' passed the twenty-fifth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one" approved the fifteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws seventy-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act providing the mode of settling the accounts of county treasurers and for other purposes" approved the third day of May one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventeen)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to Banks" approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws ninety-nine)

Section five of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act providing for the election of aldermen and justices of the peace' passed twenty-first June one thousand eight hundred thirty-nine and for other purposes" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws six hundred eighty-nine)

Section sixty-six of an act entitled "An Act regulating election districts and for other purposes" approved the fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws forty-three)

Section twelve of an act entitled "Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the township of Moyamensing in Philadelphia county' passed March twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and twelve and for other purposes" approved the seventeenth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws ninety-five)

Section twenty-four of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mutual Beneficial Insurance Association of Bucks county against losses sustained by fire and for other purposes" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-two)

Section six of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the government payment of the interest upon the State debt receiving of proposals for the sale of the public works and for other purposes" approved the twenty-seventh day of July one thousand eight hundred forty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-one)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act further to regulate proceedings in courts of justice and for other purposes" approved the sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred forty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act relating to collateral inheritances' passed seventh April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-six (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-eight number three hundred)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act relative to the appointment of trustees by orphans' court and for other purposes" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-six (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-three)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of John H. Morrison collector of tolls on the Susquehanna division of the Pennsylvania canal fixing the age at which children shall be admitted into the schools of the first school district relative to the taxation of bank dividends and to undrawn donation tracts" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-eight (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eleven)

Sections ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen fifteen sixteen seventeen thirty thirty-one and thirty-two of an act entitled "An Act to create a sinking fund and to provide for the gradual and certain extinguishment of the debt of the Commonwealth" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred seventy)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to collateral inheritance taxes" approved the eleventh day of March one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy)

Section five of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to create a sinking fund and to provide for the gradual and certain extinguishment of the debt of the Commonwealth' and to authorize a loan" approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred seventy-two)

Section twelve of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the New Brighton and Harmony Plank Road Company relative to the Hillsboro and Pittsburgh State road and to the borough of Strattonville to granting licenses to theatres circuses and menageries to a State road in Monroe and Pike counties and to the Girard Avenue Schuylkill Bridge Company" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred ninety-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to prescribe the manner of collecting certain taxes" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-nine number five hundred sixty-two)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to the several acts relating to the tax upon collateral inheritances" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred twenty-five)

Section two of an act entitled "An Act to repeal certain Acts of Assembly upon non-payment of the enrollment tax" approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twelve number five hundred forty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to equalize taxation upon corporations" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to revise amend and consolidate the laws taxing corporations brokers and bankers' approved May first one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight" approved the thirteenth

day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-seven number two hundred forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act for the taxation of dogs and the protection of sheep" approved the twelfth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-eight number two hundred thirty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the assessment and collection of taxes in cities of the fifth class" approved the twenty-second day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws sixty-seven)

Sections three four five six seven eight nine ten and eleven of an act entitled "An Act to consolidate the offices of receiver of taxes and collector of outstanding or delinquent taxes to invest the said receiver with all the powers and privileges and to impose upon him all the duties and liabilities of said collector and for the more efficient collection of taxes in cities of the first class" approved the fourteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws three number two)

An Act entitled "An act to make taxes assessed upon real estate a first lien and to provide for the collection of such taxes and a remedy for false returns" approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws forty-five number fifty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act authorizing cities of the third fourth and fifth classes to levy and collect taxes and validating taxes levied and assessments made therein" approved the seventeenth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventeen)

An Act entitled "A supplement to section one of an act entitled 'An Act to make taxes assessed on real estate a first lien and to provide for the collection of such taxes and a remedy for false returns' approved the second day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws eighty-three number eighty)

An Act entitled "An Act for the taxation of dogs and the protection of sheep" approved the fifteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred twenty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the employment of foreign born unnaturalized male persons over twenty-one years of age and providing a tax on the employers of such persons and prescribing a penalty for violation of the provisions of said act and directing the manner of collecting the same and providing that the amount of such tax may be deducted from the wages of persons affected by the provisions hereof" approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section two of the act entitled 'An Act abolishing the office of township tax collector in townships of the first class and providing that in such townships all taxes shall be collected by the township treasurer including State and county taxes' approved May twenty-eighth one thousand nine hundred and seven providing that nothing in the said act shall take away from or interfere with the powers and duties conferred or imposed upon the treasurer of any county in relation to the collection of State and county taxes by existing laws" approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred one)

An Act entitled "An Act laying a tax on anthracite coal and providing for the collection and distribution of the same" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred thirty-nine)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any Act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded the provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 579, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act to repeal the act of eighteen hundred and twenty-four relative to the education of the poor" approved the twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-six (Pamphlet Laws fifty-two)

Sections thirty-three thirty-four thirty-five and thirty-six of an act entitled "An Act relative to the election of borough and township officers and for other purposes" approved the seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws seventy-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize and provide for the payment of additional appropriations to school districts in certain cases" approved the twelfth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws thirteen number fifteen)

An Act entitled "An Act empowering the State superintendent to issue permanent certificates to teachers in cities of the fifth class" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ten)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the board of school directors in cities of the fourth class to regulate the terms of its members in certain cases" approved the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-seven number one hundred forty-one)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act approved May twenty-first Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty-seven relating to an appeal from the decision of township auditors" approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to school districts in cities of the fourth fifth sixth and seventh classes in this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-four number one hundred sixty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act enabling the Superintendent of Public Instruction to pay to school districts in certain cases their proper share or portion of the State appropriation to common schools" approved the twenty-third day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fourteen number ninety-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to grant permanent State teachers' certificates to graduates of recognized literary and scientific colleges" approved the tenth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws thirty-nine number thirty-six)

An Act entitled "An Act for the protection of public school houses and other buildings used and occupied for public school purposes out-buildings thereof and public school property" approved the nineteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws seventy-six number fifty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the fifth section of an act entitled 'An Act to provide a more just and equitable method of distributing the school appropriation to the common schools and specifying the duties of officers in connection therewith' approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven" approved the nineteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws sixty-four number fifty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to the study and practice of physical culture in the public schools" approved the eighth day of March one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine number fifteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the act approved July fifteenth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven entitled 'An Act to provide a more just and equitable method of distributing the school appropriation to common schools and specifying the duties of officers in connection therewith' by providing for the enumeration of school children and the enrollment of taxables in cities of the first and second classes by officers appointed by the Boards of Education and for the distribution of school funds to said cities on the basis of such list of taxables" approved the fourth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws forty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act being a supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the time of holding city teachers' institutes' approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five extending its application to boroughs" approved the fourth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws forty-three number forty)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act for the establishment of free public libraries in the several school districts of the Commonwealth except in cities of the first and second class' approved the twenty-eighth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five so as to increase the maximum rate one-fourth of a mill and establish a minimum rate" approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred ninety-four)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 580, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of public documents

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one two and three of an act entitled "An Act to provide for printing publishing and distributing the laws of this Commonwealth and to direct a proper index to be made of the records of the executive department" approved the fourth day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-two (three Smith's Laws page seventy-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act directing the distribution of the journals printed in the English language and for other purposes" approved the eleventh day of April one thousand eight hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-seven)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the more speedy publication and distribution of the laws of this Commonwealth" approved the twenty-first day of January one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws fourteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the Public Printing" approved the twenty-second day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws fifty-seven)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An Act to regulate the Public Printing' approved the twenty-ninth day of December one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws two one thousand eight hundred twenty-five)

Section one of an act entitled "An Act to authorize the printing and distribution of an additional number of the Pamphlet Laws" approved the first day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "A supplement to the act to authorize the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws" approved the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws six hundred fifteen number two hundred forty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the printing and distribution of the Pamphlet Laws in the German language" approved the twenty-first day of January one thousand eight hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws eight)

Section one of an act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to authorize the printing and distribution of the Pamphlet Laws in the German language passed January twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred thirty-seven and for other purposes" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred fifty-four)

Section four of an act entitled "An Act to compensate Samuel Dale for services rendered as an associate judge of Lancaster county and for other purposes" approved the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred ninety)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act to authorize the printing and distribution of the Pamphlet Laws in the German language" approved the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred nine)

A resolution entitled "Resolutions relative to the Public Printing and Binding" approved the first day of February one thousand eight hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the public printing and binding and for other purposes" approved the twenty-third day of January one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws two)

An Act entitled "An Act to create permanently the office of State printer" approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ten)

An Act entitled "An Act giving out for a term of years all the public printing and binding of the Commonwealth to the lowest bidder with ample security for performance" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-eight number ninety-eight)

Clause two of a resolution entitled "Resolution relative to the translators of the journals of both houses" approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten number thirty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize payment for the translation of legislative documents" approved the twenty-seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred forty-five (Pamphlet Laws seventy-four number fifty-four)

An Act entitled "A supplement to 'An Act to create the office of State printer' passed the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred and forty-three" approved the twenty-fifth day of January one thousand eight hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-five)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act to create permanently the office of State printer passed the twenty-fourth day of April eighteen hundred and forty-three" approved the fourteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred forty-eight (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine)

An Act entitled "A further supplement to an act to create permanently the office of State printer passed March twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and forty-three" approved the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred forty-eight (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-eight number one hundred fifty-one)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act to create permanently the office of State printer passed March twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and forty-three" approved the twenty-first day of January one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws six)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to create permanently the office of State printer" approved the fifteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-eight)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act to create permanently the office of State printer" approved the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-three number four hundred seventy-one)

An Act entitled "An Act in relation to public printing" approved the ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-two)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act in relation to public printing approved the ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six" approved the twenty-fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the Superintendent of Public Printing to advertise for proposals for supplying the State with printing and bill paper" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-seven (Pamphlet Laws sixty-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act requiring the Superintendent of Public Printing to advertise for proposals for supplying the State with printing and bill paper approved April tenth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven" approved the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws seventy-nine number forty-three)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act of ninth of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty-six regulating the public printing and binding" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-two)

An Act entitled "A Further Supplement to the act of ninth of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six regulating the public printing and binding and the supplement thereto approved March twenty-seventh Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one amending the same so as to increase the number of bills to be printed for the use of the two houses and providing for the printing of the reports of the commissioners of insurance and statistics and of the inspectors of mines" approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to carry out the provision of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper therefor" approved the first day of May one thousand eight hundred seventy-six (Pamphlet Laws sixty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend sections twelve and nineteen of an act entitled 'An Act to carry out the provisions of section twelve article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper therefor' approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six" approved the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred seventy-seven (Pamphlet Laws twenty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the printing of copies of the general laws" approved the twenty-eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight number one hundred ninety-four)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of the act of June fourth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication of apportionment and distribution of the Pamphlet Laws executive and legislative documents reports of the heads of departments and the annual and biennial messages of the Governor' providing for additional copies of the Auditor General's report on the finances of the Commonwealth for distribution by him" approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred forty-four number one hundred thirteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-four number twenty-five)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth' approved the sixteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven" approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend clause sixteen of section one of an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth' further regulating the printing and distribution of Smull's Legislative Hand Bood and expediting the publication thereof" approved the twenty-fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws forty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the publication of school laws and decisions" approved the twenty-eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet laws four hundred ten)

An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth" approved the second day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth' approved the second day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine" approved the twenty-second

day of April one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-six number one hundred eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section eleven of the act entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication binding and dsitribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth' increasing the number of reports of the Commissioners of Soldiers' Orphans' Schools" approved the fourth day of April one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws forty-nine number forty-seven)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section thirteen of the act entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth increasing the number of fire and marine reports of the Insurance Commissioner'" approved the sixth day of June one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred twenty)

Sections two three four five six and seven of an act entitled "An Act providing for the method contents style reporting and printing of the Legislative Journal authorizing the appointment of official reporters and typewriters providing for the making of an appendix and index the printing of wrappers for said Journal abolishing the printing of the Legislative Record and Senate and House of Representatives Journals in separate form and repealing all acts or parts of acts relating to the printing of the Legislative Record and wrappers for the same" approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section nineteen of an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the publication binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth' approved the seventeenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five to increase the number of copies of the annual report of the Commissioner of Health from three thousand four hundred copies to three thousand nine hundred copies the extra five hundred copies to be for the Department of Health and to allow the publication and distribution by the Department of Health of a bulletin" approved the sixth day of May one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred forty-four)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any Act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded the provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 581, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

Sections one to three four five six seven eight nine ten eleven twelve thirteen fourteen seventen eighten nineteen twenty twenty-one twenty-two twenty-three twenty-four twenty-five twenty-six twenty-seven twenty-eight twenty-nine thirty thirty-one and thirty-two of an act entitled "An Act for the relief of the poor" approved the ninth day of March one thousand seven hundred seventy-one (one Smith's Laws three hundred thirty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the admission of certain persons as witnesses in cases respecting the settlement of paupers" approved the third day of April one thousand seven hundred ninety-four (three Smith's Laws one hundred twenty-sixth chapter one thousand seven hundred fifteen)

Sections one two three four five and six of an act entitled "An Act to empower the overseers and guardians of the poor of the several townships within this Commonwealth to recover certain fines penalties and forfeitures and for other purposes" approved the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred three (Pamphlet Laws six hundred sixty-two)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to empower the overseers and guardians of the poor of the several townships of the Commonwealth to recover certain fines penalties and forfeitures and for other purposes passed the fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred and three'" approved the twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred four (Pamphlet Laws one hundred twenty-three)

An Act entitled "An Act relative to paupers" approved the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred chapter one hundred twenty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent the increase of pauperism in this Commonwealth" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred fifty-four)

An Act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for the relief of the poor' passed the ninth day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one" approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-seven)

Section twenty-seven of an act entitled "An Act relating to the support and employment of the poor" approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred thirty-nine)

Section 2 The repeal by this act of any act of Assembly or part thereof shall not revive any act or part thereof heretofore repealed or superseded The provisions of this act shall not affect any act done liability incurred or right accrued or vested nor affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws The provisions of this act shall be severable and if any of the provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional the decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 582, as follows:

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following acts and parts of Acts of Assembly are absolutely repealed namely

An Act entitled "An Act against murder and manslaughter" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page one hundred seventy-two Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred sixteen

An Act entitled "An Act against burglary" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page one hundred seventy-three Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred seventeen)

An Act entitled "An Act against rape or ravishment" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page one hundred seventy-eight Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred twenty)

An Act entitled "An Act against sodomy and buggery" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page one hundred eighty-three Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred twenty-four)

An Act entitled "An Act against burning of houses" approved the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred six (Volume two page one hundred eighty-four Statutes at Large Chapter one hundred twenty-five)

Section three of an act entitled "An Act for the advancement of justice and more certain administration thereof" approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand seven hundred eighteen (one Smith's Laws one hundred five)

An Act entitled "An Act for the speedy trial of capital offenses committed by any Indian or Indians in the remote parts of the province" approved the nineteenth day of October one thousand seven hundred forty-four (Volume five page five Statutes at Large Chapter three hundred sixty-two)

An Act entitled "An Act for the more effectual suppressing profane cursing and swearing" approved the seventh day of March one thousand seven hundred forty-six (Volume five page forty-two Statutes at Large Chapter three hundred sixty-nine)

Section two and three of an act entitled "An Act for the more effectual preventing accidents which may happen by fire and for suppressing idleness drunkenness and other debaucheries" approved the ninth day of February one thousand seven hundred fifty-one (Volume five page one hundred eight Statutes at Large Chapter three hundred eighty-eight)

Sections two and three of an act entitled "An Act to prevent the mischiefs arising from the increase of vagabonds and other idle and disorderly persons within this province" approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand seven hundred sixty-seven (one Smith's Laws two hundred sixty-eight)

Section one of an act entitled "An ordinance to prevent the counterfeiting the paper money issued by the Honorable the Continental Congress or by this or any other of the United American States" approved the first day of August one thousand seven hundred seventy-six (Volume nine page eight Statutes at Large Chapter seven hundred twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act more effectually to prevent counterfeiting the continental loan office certificates the continental loan office bills of exchange and the paper money of the United States of America or any of them" approved the twenty-sixth day of November one thousand seven hundred seventy-nine (Volume ten page twelve Statutes at Large chapter eight hundred sixty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act regulating the proceedings of county commissioners and treasurers in certain cases" approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred forty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act to prevent kidnapping" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and four)

Sections one and six of an act entitled "An Act for the preservation of wooden bridges within this Commonwealth" approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred twenty-four (Pamphlet Laws fifty)

Section one of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act for the preservation of wooden bridges within this Commonwealth' passed the nineteenth of March eighteen hundred and twenty-four and for other purposes" approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand eight hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred ninety-two)

An Act entitled "An Act relating to clandestine marriages" approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-nine)

An Act entitled "An Act to prohibit the defacing of walls fences and trees by painting posting or otherwise and providing a penalty therefor" approved the eighth day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five number ninety-two)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend an act making it a misdemeanor to levy blackmail or extort money or other valuable thing by threats charges or accusations and fixing the penalty therefor" approved the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven number ninety-three)

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 674 (Senate Bill No. 23), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 511 (Senate Bill No. 155), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 497 (Senate Bill No. 37), entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.
teen which reads as follows

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair building or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than two hundred and fifty dollars" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. Murphy. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section one, line 14, by inserting the word "building" after the word "repair"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title by inserting the word "building" before the words "or rebuilding"

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 327 (Senate Bill No. 5), entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 329 (Senate Bill No. 6), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section first of the act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand and more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the eighth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 330 (Senate Bill No. 10), entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 331 (Senate Bill No. 12), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 679 (Senate Bill No. 194), entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 724, as follows:

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for councils of cities of the first class to authorize in a manner prescribed by councils the purchase of food products to be afterward sold to residents of said cities at cost the proceeds of said sales to be disposed of in such manner as said councils may direct
Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 477, entitled

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.
Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures, or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The private secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 54.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, Feb. 27, 1917.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 54, entitled, "A Joint Resolution to provide for the participation by the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the inaugural ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, President-elect of the United States, to be held in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, March fifth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Governor and staff and of a provisional brigade selected for that purpose."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned resolution from the House of Representatives as follows:

In the House of Representatives, February 27, 1917.
Resolved (If the Senate concur), That when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday, March 12, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M., and when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March 12, at 9 oclock P. M.

with information that the Senate had passed the same with amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendment.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

Amend by inserting after the letters "P. M." the following: "and when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March 12, at 9 o'clock P. M."

On the question,
Will the House concur in the amendment?
It was concurred in.
Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 106 (House Bill No. 780):

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 143 (House Bill No. 781):

An Act authorizing appeals from the courts of common pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 144 (House Bill No. 782):

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven) entitled "An Act establishing a court for the county of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof"

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 147 (House Bill No. 783):

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the term of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the term of inspectors now in office

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 177 (House Bill No. 784):

An Act authorizing overseers and directors of the poor to enter into contracts with certain incorporated associations for the care and maintenance of indigent deaf and dumb persons and conferring certain powers on the Board of Public Charities its officers and agents

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 188 (House Bill No. 785):

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill No. 189 (House Bill No. 786):

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill No. 190 (House Bill No. 787):

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of saving banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill No. 191 (House Bill No. 788):

An Act to amend an act entitled An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and buildings papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 61:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend House Bill No. 61, File Folio 225, on page 4, line 22, by striking out the word "fifteen" and inserting the word "eighteen," and also in line 23, by striking out the figures "$15,000" and inserting the figures "$18,000," also by adding the following:

For the payment of the deficiency which has arisen under the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved the twenty-fifth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act making constables of boroughs and townships and their deputies and the employes of the Department of Forestry ex officio fire wardens for extinguishment of forest or wild land fires prescribing the duties of such fire wardens and their punishment for failure to perform the same empowering them to procure the assistance of others in the extinguishment of such fires and providing for the compensation of the said wardens and their assistants and making an appropriation therefor" the sum or eighteen hundred dollars ($1,800.00)

Also on page 8, line 15, after the figures "$178,974.71" by adding the following:

For the payment of interest on bills due and unpaid for the printing binding and ruling et cetera which have been approved and settled according to law by the Auditor-General and State Treasurer and subject to payment when an appropriation has been made by the Legislature for the payment of same said interest to be computed from the dates of the several settlements the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000.00)

Also on page 11, line 12, by striking out the word "five" and inserting the word "ten;" also in lines 12 and 13, by striking out the word "seven hundred and fifty"; also by striking out the figures "$5,750" and inserting the figures "$10,000;" also by adding after the word "Senate" in line 20, the following:

To the Chief Clerk of the Senate for the payment of the expenses incurred in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the Violet Oakley Mural Paintings in Senate Chamber the sum of eight hundred dollars ($800.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary same to be paid upon approval of the President of the Senate.

Also on page 13, beginning with line 9, by adding the following to be known as Section 6:

Section 6 To Charles F. Straube for the payment of informant's fee in the matter of the information in escheat in re Harmony Society of Economy filed October sixteenth one thousand nine hundred and six the sum of thirty-three thousand three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents ($33,333.33) and for the payment of expenses incurred by him therein and in the matter of the proceedings in quo warranto instituted on behalf of the Commonwealth at the relation of the Attorney General at number two hundred seventy-five June term one thousand nine hundred and ten in the court of common pleas of Beaver county the sum of ten thousand four hundred and fifty-five ($10,455.00) dollars the said several sums to be paid to the said Charles F. Straube upon warrant of the Auditor General upon the production to the Auditor General of satisfactory evidence of the payment and discharge of all fees and expenses of counsel and witnesses and all charges and expenses of every kind incident to the said proceedings in escheat and in quo warranto and upon the filing of a full and complete discharge of all fees compensation charges and expenses of every kind which may have accrued to the said Charles F. Straube and to George C. Buell his co-informant (or the legal representatives or assigns of said Buell) as informants in escheat or in the matter of the said proceedings in quo warranto or to which they or either of them may be legally or equitably entitled.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, the amendments are satisfactory.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the amendments?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—166.

Albee,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Sones,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Christman,	Horne,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Clements,	Horton,	Powell,	Uish,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Wagner,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Rich,	Weimer,
Curry,	Jones,	Richards,	Wells,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rothermel,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Showalter,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 7:

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. SIGGINS asked and obtained unanimous consent to re-report bill from committee at this time.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as amended House Bill No. 728, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of food-stuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. SIGGINS asked and obtained unanimous consent to have House Bill No. 728 read for the first time.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 728, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of food-stuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 61:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Department of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen" as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act.

Whereupon,

The Speaker in the presence of the House signed the same.

RECESS.

The SPEAKER. The House will take a recess until 5 o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS.

The House reconvened at 5 o'clock P. M.

Mr. WHITAKER in the Chair.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 771.

An Act enabling cities of the first class to pave, repair and clean the streets and perform certain other municipal work in and for such cities, or to construct or cause to be constructed plants for certain purposes and to lease the same for use in connection with city work, and empowering the councils of such cities for this purpose to authorize any department or bureau or create new bureaus or divisions thereof to carry out the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. BAKER (By request). House Bill No. 772.

An Act prohibiting trust companies authorized to receive deposits from acting as sureties, security or guarantors; and invalidating all such obligations entered into by such trust companies.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 773.

An Act authorizing directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care, treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 774.

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives to investigate the operation of the certain laws in cities of the first class.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 775.

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the courts of Common Pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with Article V, Section 7, of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 776.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section one of article fourteen of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. GOODWIN. House Bill No. 777.

An Act making an appropriation to the Oil City Hospital, Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 778.

An Act providing that all the powers and duties now vested by law in the select and common councils of cities of the first class be completely vested in a single body called the City Council, and fixing the qualifications, time of election, salary and term of office of the members thereof; providing for the apportionment of cities of the first class into eight councilmanic districts; and providing that the mayor should cast a deciding vote in case of a tie vote in the city council.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. GOLDER. House Bill No. 779.

An Act to provide souvenir medals for the officers and enlisted men of the Pennsylvania State Militia who served in Mexico, or along the Mexican Border, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 789.

An Act supplementary to an act, entitled "An Act defining the powers of the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace within this Commonwealth with reference to the care, treatment and control of dependent, neglected, incorrigible and delinquent children under the age of sixteen years and providing for the means in which such power may be exercised," approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws page two hundred seventy-four), prohibiting magistrates, aldermen or justices of the peace from sentencing or committing for trial for any offences dependent, neglected, incorrigible or delinquent children under the age of sixteen years, and providing for the disposition of such children by the juvenile courts; providing that the jurisdiction of such courts over children committed by them shall continue notwithstanding such children may remove or be removed from the territorial limits of such courts; authorizing the said courts to commit such children in proper cases to the custody of their mothers to be maintained in their respective homes, and providing for the payment of the cost of such maintenance by the proper county; prescribing the duties of probation officers in such cases, and authorizing the several juvenile courts to employ medical experts in certain cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 790.

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. McKINNEY. House Bill No. 791.

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to regulate the production or emission of smoke from chimneys, smokestacks, or other source.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WEST. House Bill No. 792.

An Act exempting certain estates from the payment of a collateral inheritance tax.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 793.

An Act making an appropriation to the Sewickley Fresh Air Home, in Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SWARTZ (By request). House Bill No. 794.

An Act to provide for the extradition of persons of unsound mind, and to make uniform the laws of the States which enact the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 795.

An Act to protect the public health by prohibiting bathing and the stablishment and maintenance of bath houses within certain limits on any river, stream, creek or rivulet.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 796.

An Act relating to the disbarment of attorneys-at-law.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MILLIRON (By request). House Bill No. 797.

An Act fixing the salary of the elevator operators in the State Capitol.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SNYDER. House Bill No. 798.

An Act relating to and regulating the locating, drilling, operating and abandoning of certain petroleum and gas wells, and requiring certain duties of mine inspectors and of owners and operators of coal mines incidental thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. STEEDLE. House Bill No. 799.

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the Courts of Common Pleas, Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace and Orphans' Courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WELLS. House Bill No. 800.

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MITCHELL (By request). House Bill No. 801.

An Act to give Justices of the Peace, aldermen and magistrates in the State of Pennsylvania jurisdiction in actions of trespass, trover and convertion and trespass on the case.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 802.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MURDOCH. House Bill No. 803.

An Act making an appropriation to the Columbia Hospital, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 804.

An Act providing for the publication of histories of military organizations of Pennsylvania, engaged in the late civil war and the war with Spain; and the purchase thereof by the Commonwealth; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SHUNK. House Bill No. 805.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Board of Education to be used for the completion of a new building at the Northwestern State Normal School at Edinboro, Pennsylvania, and for necessary extensions, equipment and repairs at the Southwestern State Normal School at California, Millersville State Normal School, Northwestern State Normal School at Edinboro, Bloomsburg Literatory Institute and State Normal School at Bloomsburg, and Central State Normal School at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STEEDLE. House Bill No. 806:

An Act making an appropriation to the Ohio Valley General Hospital, McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 807.

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled, "An Act to provide revenue by imposing a State tax upon sales or agreements to sell or memoranda of sales of stock, and upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock in domestic and foreign corporations, copartnership associations, and joint-stock associations, providing the manner of collecting such tax, and prescribing penalties," by exempting from the provisions thereof stock of building and loan associations, sales, agreements to sell or memoranda of sales, deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates of stock of such associations.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 808.

An Act repealing sections three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen and fourteen of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act amending sections one, two, eight, twenty-one, twenty-five, twenty-nine, thirty-five, thirty-six, sixty, sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-six, seventy and seventy-one of an act, entitled 'An Act providing for the examination, licensure and registration of persons, firms or corporations engaged on engaging in the business or work of plumbing or house drainage, and prescribing certain rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction of plumbing, house drainage, and cesspools, in cities of the second class, and imposing fines, penalties, and forfeitures for violation thereof,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the provisions of said act to cities of the third class, having a system of water supply and sewerage, of this Commonwealth; and providing further rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction or reconstruction of plumbing, house drainage, and cesspools; and providing penalties and forfeitures for violation thereof," in so far as they relate to cities of the third class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WALKER. House Bill No. 809.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALKER. House Bill No. 810.

An Act making an appropriation to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 811.

An Act making an appropriation to the Wills Hospital of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 248, entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulation partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 447, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms, billiard rooms, bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," and to regulate the time for closing the same.

Mr. GOLDER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 461, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class; providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Mr. STRAUSS, from the Commilttee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 359, entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported as committed House Bill No. 262, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies," approved the twenty-ninth day May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five; providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas.

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 445, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes' approved the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board, authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician, and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station, and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto," approved the fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 472, entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act, entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of, contracts for work and labor to be done, and labor or materials to be furnished, to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe railway, or railroad line; canal, mill-race; works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold air, or any other substance furnished to the public; well for the production of gas, oil, or other volatile or mineral substance; or other structure or improvement, of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one; so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed.

Mr. BOUTON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 332 (Senate Bill No. 14), entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d) section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-eight) entitled, "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties, regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" as amended by providing that informations in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

Mr. BOUTON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 501 (Senate Bill No. 82), entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties, regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Mr. DITHRICH, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 509 (Senate Bill No. 118), entitled

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives number and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 95:

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York' approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendment.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

On page 4, line 3, after the word "lands," insert the words "plans and specifications."

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I ask that the House concur in the amendment of the Senate.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendment made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—137.

Albee,	Fackler,	Murphy,	Snyder,
Baker,	Fretz,	Musser,	Somerman,
Baldi,	Geary,	Ogden,	Sones,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Palmer,	Spangler,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Patterson,	Speicher,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Perry,	Stadtlander,
Benninger,	Haight,	Phillips,	Steedle,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Pickering,	Sterling,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Powell,	Stern,
Black,	Heffernan,	Ramsey,	Stites,
Boulton, H.,	Hibshman,	Reitzel,	Strauss,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hoffman,	Reynolds,	Swartz,
Boyd,	Hollingsworth,	Rich,	Sweitzer,
Brady,	Howarth,	Richards,	Taylor,
Campbell, T.,	Jack,	Rininger,	Thomas,
Canon,	Jennings,	Rinn,	Ulsh,
Chestnut,	Jones,	Robertson,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wagner,
Conner,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Walker,
Cook,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Weimer,
Cox,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wells,
Crosby,	McCullough,	Sarig,	West,
Cummins,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Whitaker,
Curry,	McVicar,	Scott,	Wickman,
Dale,	Mearkle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, D. F.,	Mehring,	Shattuck,	Williams, J. P.,
Davis, W.,	Mervine,	Shunk,	Wood,
Dawson,	Michel,	Siggins,	Woodward,
Dean,	Miller, Allan,	Simpson,	Wynne,
Dewey,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,	Zanders,
Dithrich,	Milliron,	Smith, E. R.,	Baldwin,
Drake,	Milner,	Smith, F. I.,	Speaker.
Drinkhouse,	Morgan, T. J.,	Smith, J. W.,	
Ehrhardt,	Murdoch,	Smith, L.,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendment was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I move we adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 5.15 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, February 28, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

O Lord, our Heavenly Father, the high and mighty ruler of the universe, we thank Thee for life, liberty and opportunity!

We beseech Thee with Thy favor to behold and bless all in authority!

May heaven's richest benedictions be with the Speaker and the members of the House of Representatives!

Replenish them with the grace of Thy holy spirit that they may always incline to Thy will and walk in Thy way!

Bless us all with health, prosperity and long to live and finally after this life to attain everlasting joy and happiness to Thy name's honor and glory! Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Powell, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITION.

PRAYING FOR A NEW STATE HIGHWAY IN ADAMS COUNTY.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of citizens of Adams County praying for a new state highway from Bonneauville to Littlestown.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 812.

An Act to repeal section thirty-two of an act, approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty-four, entitled "An Act to reduce the state debt, and to incorporate the Pennsylvania canal and railroad company," in so far as it imposes a tax on neat cattle over the age of four years for county purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STITES. House Bill No. 813.

An Act to provide for the protection of agriculture and horticulture and to prevent the introduction into and the dissemination within the Commonwealth of insect and disease pests injurious or harmful to plants or plant products; providing for inspection of nurseries; providing for quarantines necessary to the enforcement of this act; and imposing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 814.

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Home for Incurables.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 815.

An Act authorizing WilburJones Kay, Fanny Kay, his wife, Ellingwood Kay, Dorothy Kay, and Hubert Kay, their children, residents of the Borough of East Washington, and Mabel Mason, resident of the Borough of Washington, all of Washington County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, jointly and severally.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 816.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Huntingdon.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 817.

An Act relating to the consideration, upon appeal, by the Supreme and Superior Courts of testimony taken in proceedings in courts of record, and providing for the making of such testimony a part of the record.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. HEYBURN (By request). House Bill No. 818.

An Act prohibiting the use of headlights on street railway cars operated upon rails laid upon roads, highways or streets of the Commonwealth of the State of Pennsylvania, projecting rays of light at a height greater than a parallel of four and one-half feet from the rails upon which said cars operate, and providing penalties for the violation therefor, naming July 1st, 1917, A. D., as the the date on which this act shall become effective.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HEYBURN (By request). House Bill No. 819.

An Act regulating the spreading upon the surface of the highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of oil, tar, asphaltum, or any bituminous or similar material, or combinations containing any such materials. Restricting the spreading of same to one-half of such highway surface until the first portion spread shall become thoroughly dry, or is covered as specified. Providing that where certain materials so used must be covered with a top dressing as specified. Providing for exceptions to certain provisions under conditions specified, and further providing penalties for violations of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HEYBURN (By request). House Bill No. 820.

An Act requiring the erection of detour signs by the authorities by whose direction any public highway may be closed, and providing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners,

respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

Mr. DAWSON, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 614, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendent of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highway solely at the expense of the Commonwealth; and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof;' conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decided the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended, by providing for the taking over by the State Highway Department of abandoned rights of way of railroad or railway companies in certain cases.

Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as amended House Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same, requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part, requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid Highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

RESOLUTION.

Mr. MAURER offered the following resolution which was twice read as follows:

PETITIONING THE PRESIDENT AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PLACE AN EMBARGO ON FOOD EXPORTS.

Whereas, The prices of wheat, flour and potatoes, not to mention other necessities of life, are rapidly rising, owing to the huge and unchecked shipments of food products from our shores, and

Whereas, Even the United States, with the largest wheat crop of any nation in history, making it dominant as "the granary of the world" cannot much longer stand the strain of its gigantic wheat exports, and

Whereas, The danger exists that, due to excessive exportation, even the seed required in our country for next year's crops may be shipped away from us and a shortage result therefrom, producing in turn a deficiency in next year's production; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, That the President and Congress of the United States be and hereby are respectfully and urgently petitioned by this body to immediately place an embargo on shipments of food from this country and thus reduce the cost of living to a standard more in conformity with the wage rates paid to our working people.

Mr. MAURER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the resolution.

The SPEAKER. The Chair hears objections. The resolution will lie over for one day under the rules.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. WALTER offered the following resolution which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, February 28, 1917.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the session of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, shall adjourn sine die on Thursday, May third, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, at twelve o'clock.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution?

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, before offering this resolution I took some pains to inform myself of the state of business of the House. I find that exclusive of the appropriation bills and all the repealing acts, which were sixty-eight in number, and which are now on third reading, there are in the principal committees of the House—that is, those having more than eight bills—there were on Monday last about three hundred bills and of those about forty were reported up to and including Monday last. It would seem, Mr. Speaker, that if the business of the House is conducted with reasonable dispatch and from the further fact that there is no legislation of very great importance pending or likely to be introduced, that the session of this Assembly could be easily concluded by May third; and all of us know, Mr. Speaker, that there is nothing conducive to work on the part of the members of the House and on the part of the committees of the House so much as a date fixed for final adjournment and we know that we must do our work. I believe that the business before this body

and all that is likely to come before it can be satisfactorily transacted by that date and therefore I hope the House will adopt the resolution.

Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I hope that this resolution will be defeated for the reason that it will be impossible for the Appropriation Committee to get through with its work by that date. The House so far has done nothing towards raising the revenues which will be absolutely necessary if the State intends to carry on the propositions that it has undertaken and before we set a date for adjournment I think that something ought to be done towards passing some tax measures or raising some revenues that will assist in the matter.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The Speaker declared the ayes appeared to have it.

Whereupon a division was called for and ninety-five gentlemen voting in the affirmative and forty-two in the negative, the motion was agreed to and the resolution referred to the Committee on Rules.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE.

Mr. WELLS. Mr. Speaker, I move the reconsideration of the vote by which House Bill No. 185, File Folio 623, entitled

An Act, amending section six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts, instead of imposing sentences; the appointment of probation and parole officers, and the payment of their salaries and expenses; regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases, and providing for their release on parole; their conviction of crime during parole, and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole; and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries," approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven; in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third of the maximum sentence.

was defeated on final passage on Tuesday, February 27, 1917.

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The SPEAKER. How did the gentleman vote when the bill was under consideration?

Mr. WELLS. Mr. Speaker, I voted "no."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, I just want to say to the gentlemen of the House that I understood there was some misinformation circulated about this bill and for that reason I will very much appreciate the courtesy of the House if they will reconsider this vote so that the bill may be placed on another calendar and be further considered after necessary debate at a future day. It has merit in it and I will appreciate that courtesy.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of House Bill No. 185, File Folio 623, entitled

An Act amending section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts instead of imposing sentences the appointment of probation and parole officers and the payment of their salaries and expenses regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases and providing for their release on parole their conviction of crime during parole and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries" approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third of the maximum sentence

be postponed for the present.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 477, entitled

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be lawful for any Fraternal Beneficiary Association or corporation chartered created or existing under the laws of any other state or of any foreign country for beneficial or protective purposes to the members thereof from funds collected therein to take hold and enjoy in any part of this Commonwealth either in its associate or corporate name or by a trustee or trustees real estate and premises in which such association or corporation shall carry on business and to mortgage or convey the same or any part thereof and to lease any part of the buildings erected thereon not requisite for the transaction of their said business

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1 of line 6 by striking out of line 6 the words "or of any foreign country."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second and third sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2. That the title to any real estate in this Commonwealth now held by or in trust for any such association or corporation for the purpose aforesaid is hereby confirmed to the same effect as if the said real estate had been purchased held or owned under the provisions of this act

Section 3 That all acts of Assembly or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of every person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk for cash or on credit before paying to the vendor or his agent or representative or delivering to the vendor or his agent any part of the purchase price thereof or any promissory note or other evidence therefor to demand of and receive from such vendor or agent or if the vendor or agent be a corporation then from the President Vice-President Secretary or Managing Agent of such corporation a written statement sworn to substantially as hereinafter provided of the names and addresses of all the creditors of the said vendor to whom said vendor may be indebted together with the amount of the indebtedness due or owing and to become due or owing by said vendor to each of such

creditors And it shall be the duty of said vendor or agent to furnish said statement which shall be verified by an oath to the following effect

State of Pennsylvania ss
County of Allegheny
Before me personally appeared (vendor or agent as the case may be) who being by me first duly sworn upon his oath does depose and say that the foregoing statement contains the names of all the creditors of (the name of the vendor) together with their addresses and that the amount set opposite each of said respective names is the amount now due and owing and which shall become due and owing by (vendor) to such creditors and that there are no creditors holding claims due or which shall become due for or on account of goods wares or merchandise purchased upon credit or on account of money borrowed to carry on the business of which said goods are a part other than as set forth in said statement and in this affidavit are within the personal knowledge of affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of
(Title of officer taking oath)

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section one page two line twelve by striking out after the word "of" the word "Allegheny."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 Thereupon it shall be the duty of the person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk at least ten (10) days before the completion of said purchase or the payment therefor to notify personally or by registered mail each of said creditors of the said vendor of said proposed sale the price to be paid therefor the terms and conditions thereof and a copy of the statement of creditors provided for in Section 1 of this Act

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 Whenever any person shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk for cash or on credit and shall pay any part of the purchase price or execute or deliver to the vendor thereof or to his order or to any person for his use any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness for said purchase price or any part thereof without first having demanded and received from said vendor or from his agent the statement provided for in Section 1 of this Act and verified as there provided and without paying or seeing to it that the purchase money of said property is applied to the payment of the bona fide claims of the creditors of the vendor prorata as shown upon such verified statement and without first having sent the notices of said sale and said statement of creditors as provided for in Section 2 of this Act then such sale or transfer shall be fraudulent and voidable Provided however that no proceeding at law or equity shall be brought against the purchaser to invalidate any such sale after the expiration of ninety days from the consummation thereof

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section three, page three, line 25, by striking out after the word "Vendor" "prorata," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "pro rata."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 Any vendor of any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk or any person who is acting for or on behalf of any vendor who shall knowingly or wilfully make or deliver or cause to be made or delivered a statement as provided for in Section 1 of this Act which shall not include the names of all of the creditors of such vendor with the correct amount due and to become due to each of them or which shall contain any false or untrue statement shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding Five Thousand ($5,000) Dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding six months or both or either at the discretion of the court

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 4, page 4, line 13, by inserting after the word "of" the letter "a".

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fifth section was read as follows:

Section 5 A sale and transfer or attempted sale and transfer in bulk in contemplation of this act shall be deemed to be any sale or transfer in bulk of the whole or a large part of any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise otherwise than in the ordinary course of trade and in the regular and usual prosecution of the seller's business Provided however that if such vendor produces and delivers a written waiver of the provisions of this Act from his creditors as shown by such verified statements then in that case the provisions of this Act shall not apply

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 5, page 4, line 27, by striking out after the word "verified" the word "statements," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "statement."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixth and seventh sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 6 Nothing contained in this act shall apply to sales made under any order of a Court or to any sales made by executors assignees for the benefit of creditors administrators receivers or any public officer in his official capacity or by any officer of a Court

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 728, as follows:

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor

Whereas The stability and integrity of any State or nation depends at all times upon the interest which the Government thereof manifests in the well being of its people and in the promotion of their happiness in protecting them in their individual and collective enjoyment of certain rights which are common and natural to all and

Whereas The protection of these rights is not only a fundamental duty on the part of those entrusted with authority but appears to be at this time of such vital and immediate importance as to require good sense and intelligence on the part of all in authority to ascertain and provide tppropriate remedies in aid of these rights to life liberty and happiness for which alone any sttae or government has any good reason to exist and

Whereas We do not wish to be wanting in our attention to a condition of affairs now existing in many parts of this Commonwealth and in other States of the nation which has been called to our attention by the humble petitions of our people and by our own personal knowledge and experience in domestic life which convinces us that large numbers of people in all respects honorable and industrious are not enabled to enjoy life by reason of the increased cost of foodstuffs and other necessaries of life entailing wholesale suffering to men women and children and at a time when the nation is still at peace and appears to have been blessed with an abundant harvest and

Whereas This unpleasant and distressing condition of affairs giving rise to protest by those suffering therefrom has resulted in several serious disturbances of the peace and of the good order of communities otherwise lawabiding and respectful and

Whereas This condition of unrest is not likely to be settled by riot or by the disturbance of others in the lawful pursuit of their rights but may result in still further offences without accomplishing the end desired and thereby disturb and endanger the peace and dignity of this Commonwealth

Therefore Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That prompt and immediate action be agreed to to ascertain the cause or causes responsible for this increased cost of the necessaries of life which appear to have risen beyond the reach of those now suffering therefrom

Be it Further Resolved That a joint committee consisting of three (3) members of the Senate one of whom shall be a representative of a minority political party shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate and four (4) members of the House one of whom shall be a representative of a minority political party shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House be created for the purpose of making a full free and unobstructed comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges concerning the increased cost of all foodstuffs and other necessities of life

Be it Further Resolved That said joint committee is hereby directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor to hold such and as many meetings and hearings as it may deem necessary to summon witnesses to further the aim and purposes of these resolutions in aid of an investigation as aforesaid and in aid of some remedy by appropriate legislation or otherwise to be recommended to issue subpoenas administer oaths and compel the attendance of such witness or witnesses and the production of all such books bills checks check books papers minutes records vouchers agreements receipts bills of lading shipping receipts shipping instructions letters advertisements and all each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent or germain to the inquiry and

Be It Further Resolved That the said joint committee shall be vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and the Sovereign Powers of a State can confer upon such committee for the accomplishment of its purposes and

Be It Further Resolved That the said joint committee shall be authorized to employ auditors accountants counsel learned in the law stenographers clerks messengers investigators and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon said committee and to further the inquiry by them to be made the Sergeant-at-Arms to be appointed by said committee is directed to attend said joint committee to serve all the subpoenas issued by it and generally enforce all the orders which said joint committee is hereby authorized to make and

Be It Further Resolved That the State dairy and food commissioner of the State is hereby directed to make careful inquiry through his department into the causes of these conditions in so far as the storage and any speculative operation within the State may or may not effect the price of foodstuffs therein and shall furnish to the said committee in so far as possible all information obtainable on said subject with any suggestions he may have in mind to bring about a reduction in any extraordinary or unreasonable increase in the price of foodstuffs as aforesaid and shall render such report or reports to the committee aforesaid no later than March thirteenth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Be It Further Resolved That the Public Service Commission through their department are herewith directed to make diligent inquiry into certain charges that the transportation companies operating within this Commonwealth are responsible for intentionally detaining or failing to promptly transport all foodstuffs offered for transportation and make report thereof to the said joint committee of the findings of fact together with any suggestions they may be able to offer in aid of the general purpose of this investigation not later than March twelfth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Be It Further Resolved that said joint committee shall as soon as possible but no later than April thirtieth following report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as the said committee may deem expedient and shall confer with the Attorney General from time to time as the law officer of the Commonwealth and lay before him such matters or things which may require process by the Commonwealth for any violation of any of its common or statutory laws to the end that any person or persons firm or corporation in any manner unlawfully responsible for such conditions may be indicted therefor in such place or places where the alleged offence may appear to be properly triable In the report of their findings to this General Assembly the joint committee shall if possible recommend the remedy or remedies for the condition herein complained of to the end that proper legislation may be enacted to remedy and prevent such abuse as may be found to exist

Be It Further Resolved That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person or persons giving evidence before said joint committee tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in any corrupt practice or conspiracy punishable by law and bringing about the codition complained of should be indicted and prosecuted for the offence disclosed by such evidence or admission so given or made by him or her and

Be it further Resolved That the sum of five thousand ($5,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically provided to defray the expenses necessarily incurred by said joint committee in the discharge of the duties imposed upon it and that payment shall be made on order of the chairman of said joint committee and on warrant of the Auditor General in the manner now prescribed by law

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up on page 3, of to-day's calendar, Bill on Final Passage Postponed, House Bill No. 265, File Folio 179.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia county for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, the purpose of keeping this bill on the postponed calendar until to-day was that Mr. Dunn, who has a similar bill, might be given an opportunity to have his bill catch up with mine. As this is very meritorious legislation, I hope that no member of this House will vote against either one of these bills, and I hope that both will pass.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—143.

Albee,	Franklin,	Michel,	Siggins,
Baker,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Milliron,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Horton,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Isherwood,	Neary,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stern,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Stites,
Clements,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Cook,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jack,	Richards,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Jones,	Ringler,	Walker,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	West,
Dell,	Marvin,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McKinney,	Scott,	Wood,
Dunn,	McVicar,	Shaffer C. A.,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	Mearkle,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Erdman,	Mehring,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	Mervine,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—5.

Benchoff, Eby, Horne, Lanius, Chestnut,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 3, as follows:

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby granted to the purchase by the government of the United States of certain tracts of land in all aproximately twenty-eight acres in extent adjoining the Frankford Arsenal in the city and county of Philadelphia for an addition to the said arsenal said tracts of land being more particularly described as follows

One beginning at a point in the middle of Tacony Street corner of land of Kensington and Tacony Railroad at the distance of two hundred and two feet eight inches northeast from the northeast line of Sanger Street Thence extending southeastwardly along said land on a line curving toward the right with a radius of fourteen hundred and eighteen feet a distance of one hundred and thirty-two feet and three-eights of an inch to a point thence still along said land the following three courses and distances (1) South thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East thirteen hundred and twenty-seven feet nine and one-fourth inches to a point (2) on a line curving toward the right with a radius of four hundred and sixty-three feet a distance of four hundred and ninety-one feet nine and one-half inches and (3) south twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West three hundred and twenty-six feet six inches to a corner in the lines of land of the said railroad and the United States of America "Frankford Arsenal" thence along the said last mentioned land the following three courses and distances North thirty-nine degrees fifty-seven minutes fifty-seven seconds West nine hundred and six feet and two and three-eights inches to a point North twenty-five degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds West four hundred and eighty-nine feet and eleven and seven-eighth inches to a point and north twenty-eight degrees fifty-nine minutes fifty-seven seconds West six hundred and twenty-five feet eight and one-eighth inches to the said middle line of Tacony Street and thence along the same north fifty-four degrees twenty-seven minutes three seconds East four hundred and eighty-seven feet and nine inches to the place of beginning containing twenty-three acres and seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-five ten-thousandths of an acre more or less

One other of them beginning at a point on the southeasterly line of the said Kensington and Tacony Railroad and a point on the southwesterly line of land now or late of Edwin H. Fitler thence by land of said Edwin H. Fitler South thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds East one hundred and ninety-five feet nine and five-eighths inches to a point in the Bulkhead line of the River Delaware approved by the War Department of the said United States of America on the fourth day of September 1908 thence by said line south thirty-four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds west five hundred and forty-one feet and one-eighth of an inch to a point thence north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds west forty feet five and seven-eighth inches to a point a corner of the said United States of America and thence north thirty-nine degrees fifty-seven minutes fifty-seven seconds west sixty-three feet five and one-fourth inches to a point in the said southeasterly line of said Kensington and Tacony Railroad and thence along the same north twenty-six degrees fifty-two minutes thirty-three seconds east six hundred and twenty-eight feet ten and seven-eighth inches to place of beginning containing one acre and eight thousand six hundred and thirty ten-thousandths of an acre of land

And the other of them beginning at a point in said bulkhead line first above mentioned and the southwesterly line of land of the said Edwin H. Fitler Thence south thirty-three degrees fifty-eight minutes fifty-seven seconds east three hundred and four feet five and one-eighth inches to a point in the pierhead line approved by the said War Department on the date aforesaid thence along the same south thirty-four degrees four minutes forty-four seconds west two hundred and sixty-two feet nine and three-eighths inches to a point thence still along said pierhead line north eighty-five degrees forty minutes forty-one seconds west three hundred and thirty-one feet four and one-fourth inches to a point in the said bulkhead line and thence along the same North four degrees thirty-eight minutes twenty seconds east five hundred and forty-one and one-eighth of an inch to the place of beginning containing two acres and six thousand two hundred and eighty ten-thousandths of an acre more or less

Section 2 Exclusive jurisdiction over the lands so purchased is hereby ceded to the United States by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and said lands shall be exempt from the payment of all taxes state and local Provided That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall retain a concurrent jurisdiction with the United States over the lands so acquired by the United States for the purpose of serving all civil processes and Provided further That such criminal process as may issue under the authority of the Commonwealth against any person or persons charged with crimes committed without the area so acquired may be executed therein in the same manner as though this cession had not been granted

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading,

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, in reference to this bill I want to say that with the fourteen amendments attached to it, it has been authorized by the United States District Attorney, Mr. Francis Fisher Kane, and the bill as it stands at the present time is in perfect form according to the description of the property.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—141.

Albee,	Fowler,	Miller, A. D.,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Franklin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Milliron,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Milner,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Richards,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Graham,	Perry,	Stern,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Phillips,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Rich,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Richards,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Ringler,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Rininger,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Rinn,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack,	Robertson,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rogers,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Ross,	Walker,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rothenberger,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rudisill,	Wells,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Sampsel,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wickman,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	McCullough,	Scott,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Wood,
Eby,	McKinney,	Showalter,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McVicar,	Shunk,	Zanders,
Erdman,	Mearkle,	Siggins,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	Mehring,	Simpson,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	Michel,		

NAYS—1.

Barner,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 392, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five authorizing and establishing a board of recreation for the creation organization care management conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-nine) by changing the number of the members of the Board of Recreation their length of term and the officers to be elected

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present, owing to the absence of its sponsor, Mr. Hecht.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 493, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the head of the Department of Public Safety in each city of the second class shall divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities excepting the chief engineer and assistant chiefs into two bodies or platoons one to perform day service and the other to perform night service The hours of day service shall not exceed ten commencing at eight o'clock in the morning the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen commencing six o'clock in the afternoon In cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency the chief engineer of the bureau of fire or the assistant chief deputy or chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary No member of either of said platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day platoon or fourteen hours in the night platoon excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency as above provided" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the head of the Department of Public Safety in each city of the first and second class shall from and after the first Monday of May one thousand nine hundred and seventeen divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities excepting the chief engineer and assistant chiefs into two bodies or platoons one to perform day service and the other to perform night service The hours of day service shall not exceed ten commencing at eight o'clock in the morning the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen commencing six o'clock in the afternoon In cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency the chief engineer of the bureau of fire or the assistant chief deputy or chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary No member of either of said platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day platoon or fourteen hours in the night platoon excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency as above provided

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I think it but fair to the members of the House to say a few words regarding this bill. It provides for a two platoon system for the firemen of the City of Philadelphia. There is at present in existence in this Commonwealth a statute which this seeks to amend, that has for its purpose a two platoon system in cities of the second and third classes. This extends the provision of that act to cities of the first class. In Philadelphia at the present time the firemen are compelled to work twenty-one hours out of every twenty-four. They are compelled to sleep with their clothes on. They do not get home except one day out of seven, and they are subject to be called out to alarms at all times of the day and night. This platoon system will give them a day or two off with their families, it will require them to work but twelve hours instead of twenty-one hours out of every twenty-four.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask if we could not have this bill distributed back here. I do not have anything back of file 633. They are lying on the back seats here but have not been distributed, and we have not had a chance to look them over.

The SPEAKER. This bill apparently is not on the file of the House.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, Bill No. 95, File Folio 627, is the last bill on my calendar.

The SPEAKER. If the bill is not on the file, it will have to be passed for the present.

The next bill on the calendar is House Bill 618, File Folio 257.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, Bill No. 260 is on our calendar. I see here that it is the next bill on the calendar at the top of page four.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman means the file of the House and not the calendar.

Mr. REYNOLDS. It is on the file. File Folio 643, Mr. Speaker. I have it here and those adjacent to me have it on their file.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I have it not.

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I do not have it on my file.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, my calendar has no bills after file 627.

The SPEAKER. I presume that the gentleman from Allegheny is speaking of his file and not of his calendar.

RECESS.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, I move we take a recess for fifteen minutes, until the bills are placed on the file.

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion

The motion was agreed to, and at 11.05 the House took a recess for fifteen minutes.

AFTER RECESS.

The House reconvened at 11.20 A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up out of order at this time House Bill No. 724, the bill relating to the purchase of food products.

The SPEAKER. Is there any objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 724, entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—176.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Erdman,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Somerman,

Black,	Graeff,	Milner,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Steedle,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Stites,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horton,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Clements,	Hough,	Powell,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cook,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Rich,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Walter,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rinn,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Drake,	McCollough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Dunn,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The SPEAKER. The next bill on the calendar is House Bill No. 493, File Folio 639, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class

When this bill was before the House before recess the question was,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

And the bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—176.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Black,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Musser,	Steedle,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Conner,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Richards,	Wagner,
Curry,	Jones,	Ringler,	Walker,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Ross,	West,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Woodward,
Eby,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McVicar,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McPeake,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 260, as follows:

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That councils in cities of the first class are hereby empowered to authorize the director of supplies in such cities to purchase or procure without public advertisement for bids and without entering into written contracts materials or commodities to the value of one thousand dollars ($1,000) provided that written bids therefor be first invited from at least three persons firms or corporations regularly engaged in the business of manufacturing dealing in furnishing or supplying the same and provided further That when a patented or proprietary article is to be purchased or procured the director of supplies in said cities of the first class may be permitted to accept one bid from the patentee or the person firm or corporation controlling the patented or proprietary article required which bid shall be accompanied with an affidavit stating that the prices quoted are the lowest at which said articles are sold to anyone in the open market

Section 2 Whenever advertised bids are received for furnishing materials or commodities for a stated period and the amount or amounts appropriated and available are not sufficient to cover the requirements for the period stated in the advertisement said councils in cities of the first class may authorize the director of supplies to continue said contract or contracts when further appropriations are made and become available for that purpose or when further requirements become necessary for the period stated and this authorization shall be set forth in the said contract or contracts and shall be binding upon the parties affixing their signatures thereto

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The said bill having been read three times at length on three separate days, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would like the sponsor of this bill to explain its provisions.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, the object of this act is to provide that men at the head of the various departments in the City of Philadelphia will be enabled to perform their contracts without advertising. Up until the present time, and for a number of years, it has been necessary for all contracts up to one thousand dollars to be advertised, and this bill provides that contracts exceeding one thousand dollars shall be advertised. It has been an annoyance to the City Solicitor of Philadelphia that no matter how small the contract, it was necessary for him to advertise it at an additional expense to the city. This gives the power to the City Solicitor to perform the conract and to see that a proper bond is given to enforce the performance of the contract.

On the question recurring,

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—170.

Albee,	Eby,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Golder,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Black,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graham,	Musser,	Steedle,

Boyd,	Haldeman,	Palmer,	Stern,
Brady,	Hecht,	Patterson,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Conner,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Howarth,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Richards,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jack,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rinn,	Wells,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	West,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ross,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Drake,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Sterling,	Speaker.
Dunn,	Ogden,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 618, entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—180.

Albee,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Milliron,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Black,	Graham,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Perry,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hollern,	Powell,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Howarth,	Rich,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Richards,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Rogers,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dean,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Drake,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCullough,	McCurdy,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKay,	Shunk,	
Erdman,	McKinney,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 20, as follows:

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler Butler County

Whereas The borough of Butler in the county of Butler was incorporated by an act of Assembly approved the twenty-sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred and seventeen and

Whereas It is the intention of the citizens of said borough to properly celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of said borough and

Whereas It is fitting and proper that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its citizens should be given a part in said celebration therefore

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the Committee on Centennial Affairs of the House of Representatives the Committee on Exposition Affairs of the Senate and a committee to be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce of the borough of Butler are constituted a Commission on Centennial Affairs to assist in the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the borough of Butler in the county of Butler which celebration is to be held during the week commencing May twenty-seventh one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Albee,	Dunn,	McCaig,	Scott,
Aron,	Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Erdman,	McKay,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Barner,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Golder,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Spangler,
Black,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gormley,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Musser,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Powell,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rich,	Wells,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Richards,	West,
Curry,	Jones,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Leary,	Ross,	Wood,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Speaker.
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	

NAYS—1.

Mervine,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 111, entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Eby,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aston,	Erdman,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fackler,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, F. L.,
Barner,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Glass,	Milner,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Black,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graham,	Musser,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Brady,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Powell,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Clements,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Jack,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Richards,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Weimer
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Robertson,	West,
Dale,	Laucks,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ross,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Donneley,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Drake,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Dunn,	McKinney,	Showalter,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 374, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties" approved the twenty-fourth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 266, as follows:

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register clerks and employes of the office of register of wills of said counties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" which now reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the salaries or compensation of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States census shall be as follows deputy register at the rate of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum one chief clerk at seventeen hundred dollars one assistant chief clerk sixteen hundred dollars one bookkeeper and cashier fifteen hundred dollars transcribing clerks recording clerks inventory clerks index clerks compare clerks miscellaneous clerks and stenographer each at twelve hundred dollars per annum custodian of records and a messenger each at one thousand dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the salaries or compensation of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States census shall be as follows Deputy register at the rate of thirty-five hundred dollars per annum one chief clerk two thousand dollars one assistant chief clerk eighteen hundred dollars one bookkeeper and cashier eighteen hundred dollars one chief account clerk eighteen hundred dollars one chief compare clerk twenty-two hundred dollars one assistant chief compare clerk eighteen hundred dollars compare clerks transcribing clerks recording clerks inventory clerks index clerks miscellaneous clerks temporary clerks search clerks account clerks and stenographer each fifteen hundred dollars per annum custodians of record and a messenger each at twelve hundred dollars per annum one janitor at seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—182.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Sinclair,

Baldi,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Golder,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Black,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Brady,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Richards,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dale,	Lanius,	Robertson,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKay,	Showalter,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 432, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty housand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—181.

Albee,	Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Showalter,
Aron,	Dunn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Eby,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aston,	Ehrhardt,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baker,	Erdman,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Fackler,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Fowler,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Fretz,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Geary,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Glass,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Golder,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Goodwin,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gormley,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Graham,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Perry,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Clements,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Hough,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Howarth,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jack,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Rinn,	Wells,
Cummins,	Jones,	Robertson,	West,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dean	Lohr,	Sampsel.	Wood,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig.	Woodward,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Scott.	Zanders,
Donneley,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Drake,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 363, as follows:

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first Monday of January nineteen hundred and eighteen the fee for jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings or upon any proceedings or by virtue of any writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth directing an inquest or requiring the services of jurors the fee for the services performed by said jurors shall be the sum of Three Dollars and fifty cents for each and every session at which said juror shall be in attendance

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Warren, Mr. Siggins.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire of the sponsor of this bill just as to what class of counties it is intended to apply to—five hundred thousand or all counties?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, All counties.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, It seems to me that this bill besides the defect to which the gentleman calls attention, imposes an additional burden upon some counties of this State. It makes no difference to large counties, but it makes a great difference to the smaller counties. Some of the counties of this State in which the mill rate for county purposes is as much as eight mills, and this bill, in a small county, where the law compels at least thirty-six jurors summoned three or four times a year, it adds that sum to the expense. I simply call the attention of the House to these facts so that the members may be informed as to what they are voting on. As for my own county, I think we can well bear the burden, but I don't think it is popular in smaller counties—counties of from nine to ten thousand inhabitants; they will find it a very considerable addition to their burdens. I am old-fashioned enough to think that jurors ought not to expect compensation but all that they ought to expect is to be free from actual expenses. The time is not very long in the distance when jurors and witnesses and everybody who served in court did so without any compensation at all. That was supposed to be part of one's duty as a citizen. And

that idea has been so far departed from that now you must compensate a man if he performs any public duty.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, the reason I ask this question of the sponsor of the bill, as to what it refers to, is because in the original the title is amended to apply to all counties, but in line seven of section one it does not appear to read the same but applies only to counties of over five hundred thousand.

The SPEAKER. That probably is a typographical error and should be corrected in committee.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I wish to say that I will have to vote against this bill for this reason: That in a county the size of ours it is too broad and makes expenses too heavy in such as coroner's inquests and lunacy proceedings. I do not like to come out on the floor and attack a bill without first having talked to the sponsor. I endeavored to interview Mr. Stadtlander before the bill was presented, but he was not in his seat.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I think I ought to say a word or two to the House in reference to this bill, inasmuch as it was reported from the Judiciary General Committee. I remember the discussion that took place in regard to the bill at the time when it was before the committee. The bill, in its original shape, as you can see by reference to the folio, simply applied to counties having a population of over five hundred thousand. It was talked over by members of the committee and they thought it ought to be made general throughout the State. Therefore, the amendment was put in which may be an injustice to some of the smaller counties, and if a change ought to be made in this bill, from the shape in which it appears now, to the effect that it should not be general but be confined to what was originally intended, I think it would be the proper thing to pass the bill at this time and allow the sponsor to see that the necessary corrections are made in the Senate when it comes before that body. The general purpose is good.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—116.

Baker,	Drake,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Baldi,	Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Dunn,	McKay,	Siggins,
Barner,	Ehrhardt,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Bennett,	Erdman,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Benninger,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Beyer,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Black,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Bovee,	Geary,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Glass,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Golder,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Graham,	Neary,	Stern,
Christman,	Haldeman,	Palmer,	Taylor,
Clements,	Heffernan,	Perry,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Wagner,
Conner,	Hollern,	Powell,	Walker,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Cox,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Richards,	West,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Wobensmith,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Wood,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Woodward,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Zanders,
Dell,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Baldwin,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Speaker.
Donneley,	McCaig,		

NAYS—38.

Albee,	Horne,	Ogden,	Snyder,
Bechtold,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Stites,
Bell,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Stofflet,
Benchoff,	Jones,	Rich,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	McKinney,	Sampsel,	Urich,
Eby,	Miller, Allan,	Shattuck,	Walter,
Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Showalter,	Williams, J. P.,
Goodwin,	Musser,	Smith, E. R.,	
Helt,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Albee,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Black,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stern,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Stites,
Boyd,	Helt,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Conner,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rich,	Wallace,
Corbin,	Jones,	Richards,	Walter,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wells,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rinn,	West,
Curry,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKay,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. COX in the Chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I want to say a few words in reference to these repealers which we are about to take up. It is not the intention to repeal or change the law in any particular whatever. The purpose of the acts is to clarify the statute books, to take off the statutes all those various acts, one thousand and four, which have been repealed by implication at various times, which have been declared to be unconstitutional by the Supreme Court and which have been replaced or substituted by subsequent acts at various times.

The work has been prepared very carefully and has been checked over numerous times by the capable men of the Legislative Reference Bureau who began the work four years ago and prepared an omnibus bill containing all those acts and presented it to the Legislature of 1915, at which time it was debated and passed and was vetoed by the Governor simply for the reason that the Attorney General advised him that it might be unconstitutional because all the different subjects were under one title and that, in the Attorney General's opinion, those acts should have been in separate acts. After the veto the Legislative Reference Bureau again took up the work and has put it in the form in which it now appears before the House, sixty-eight different bills each carrying all the acts under the separate subjects.

The work has been checked over time after time; every department charged with the enforcement of the different acts has been asked to look over those referring to its particular department, and every person and corporation named in the various acts has been notified and favorable responses have been received from everybody, and I think every precaution possible has been taken to see that no mistakes are made and no harm done by the passage of these acts.

I have a very carefully prepared brief here which with the indulgence of the House I will read, in which are the explanations why each of these acts it is proposed to repeal should be repealed. If anybody desires to know the reason in any particular case I will be glad to read the explanation.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Glass,	Milner,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Black,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stern,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Christman,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Curry,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McKay,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 516, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control, and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees, commonly called the chestnut-tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof; and making an appropriation therefore," and the amendment to the same, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirteen).

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Milner,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jennings,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jones,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Lafferty,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,		Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 517, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Stites,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brady,	Helt,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Taylor,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Canon,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Christman,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Howarth,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Wagner,
Conner,	Jack,	Richards,	Walker,
Cook,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Robertson,	Wells,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rogers,	West,
Curry,	Lauler,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dell,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Scott,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drake,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Dunn,	McKay,	Siggins,	
Eby,	McKinney,	Simpson,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 518, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Fretz,	Perry,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Gransback,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Richards,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rogers,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Ross,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Scott,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 519, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aron,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Golder,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Goodnough,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Christman,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Curry,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 520, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 521, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 522, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Milner,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Golder,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,

Chestnut,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh
Christman,	Graham,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Haldeman,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jack,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jones,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lauler,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKay,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 523, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 524, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,

Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Murphy,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rich,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jones,	Richards,	Walker,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dale,	Lewis,	Rogers,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McKay,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 526, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 527, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 528, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 529, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts of justices of record and not of record.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 530, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to estates of decedents.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,

Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 531, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens, and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to dentistry.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 533, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to domestic animals.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,

Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 534, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,

Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 539, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to municipalities.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,

Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker.
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 542, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker.
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 544, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the sponsor of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Chester, Mr. Whitaker, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. WHITAKER. I will, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. FOWLER. I would like to have the gentleman explain why he would like to have that law repealed at this time.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, the act in question now repeals the act of 1889, No. 25, P. L. 49, which created, or made a holiday called Labor Day. The act has already been supplied by the act of February 16, 1911, P. L. 3, amending the act and naming the holidays, making the first Monday of September Labor Day. Therefore the original act of 1889 is unnecessary. I will read the act of 1911. I do not have a copy of the act, but I have Smull's Handbook, and on page 990, I read under the head of "Pennsylvania Legal Holidays" those created by the act of 1911, as follows: "the following days and half days; namely, the first day of January, commonly called New Year's Day;" and then skipping a few lines I read, "the fourth day of July, called Independence Day, the first Monday of September, known as Labor Day," etc., all of which is contained in the act of 1911, which is not repealed.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 545, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 546, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,

Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 547, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 548, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Walker,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Walter,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wells,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 549, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 550, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Ringler,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Rininger,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Rinn,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Robertson,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Rogers,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Phillips,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rich,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Richards,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 551, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Ringler,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Rininger,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Rinn,	Sullivan,
Burnett	Hibshman,	Robertson,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Rogers,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Phillips,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rich,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Richards,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 552, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 553, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to labor.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the sponsor of this bill explain it.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, this is House Bill 553, and relates to labor. It repeals the act of April 21, 1849, making certain labor regulations. These sections fix ten hours a day as a legal day's work in certain factories, and prohibiting the employment of minors under the age of thirteen years. Section four also prohibits the employment of minors between the ages of thirteen and sixteen more than nine months in a year. Section two was repealed by the act of 1913 (P. L. 1024), so far as related to employment of female labor. The whole act was supplied by the act of May 2, 1905 (P. L. 352). The act of 1874 in relation to wages——

Mr. Speaker, I would ask the gentleman who made the request for an explanation, whether that is satisfactory or not. There are other items in the act which the——

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman from Lackawanna, Mr. Fowler, satisfied with the explanation?

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have that part of this act postponed for the present until I look this matter up.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I am perfectly willing to have this act, or any other one, postponed if it is necessary for a proper examination.

BILL POSTPONED.

I move, therefore, that this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 554, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 555, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. L.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 556, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. L.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 557, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. L.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,

Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 558, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 559, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 560, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,

Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 561, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen), entitled "A Supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act to prevent the destruction of timber,' and supplementary to the act, entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods,' passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue so derived, for school and road purposes," in so far as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 563, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads, of trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,

Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade regulations.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 568, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,

Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having vote in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 569, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to servants.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 570, entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin or Adams Counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 571, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to oaths and affirmations.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,

Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 574, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 575, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public accounts.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public offenders and employes.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer an amendment at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

Amend Section 1, on page 6, by striking out lines 20 to 27, inclusive.

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the amendment at this time? Is there any objection?

The Chair hears none, and the amendment will be made in accordance with the instructions of the House.

The bill as amended was then agreed to on third reading.

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 577, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 578, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,

Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 579, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 580, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,

Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby.	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 582, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aron,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bell,	Geary,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bouton, W. B.,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Jack,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jennings,	Richards,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Drake,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both Houses of the General Assembly, and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 7:

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

House Bill No. 95:

An Act to amend an act entitled 'A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York' approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

Whereupon,

The Speaker in the presence of the House signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. STITES asked and received unanimous consent to report a bill from committee at this time.

Mr. STITES, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 225, entitled

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of an injury sustained by any person or persons, either in property or person, upon any property owner by the said county, city, borough or township, or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township, and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH asked and received unanimous consent to report a bill from committee at this time.

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 608, entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift, of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

RECESS.

By unanimous consent (at 1.25 P. M.) a recess was taken until 4.30 o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS.

The House reconvened at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 821.

An Act making an appropriation to the Carbondale City Hospital, of Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 822.

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Warren, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SHATTUCK. House Bill No. 823.

An Act making an appropriation to the Spencer Hospital, located at Meadville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 824.

An Act to further amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve and maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over the same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with the Commonwealth governing the same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act, and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 825.

An Act making an appropriation to the Cheyney Training School for Teachers, at Cheyney, Delaware County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GOODWIN. House Bill No. 826.

An Act making an appropriation to the Northwestern Anti-Tuberculosis League, for the Grandview Sanatorium and the Bonair Sanatorium.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 827.

An Act making an appropriation to the Tuberculosis League of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 828.

An Act making an appropriation to the Coleman Industrial Home for Colored Boys Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINGLER. House Bill No. 829.

An Act regulating the pay of election officers and clerks at certain elections hereafter held within this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 830.

An Act making an appropriation to the Beacon Light Mission, near the City of Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 831.

An Act making an appropriation to the House of Good Shepherd, Scranton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 832.

An Act to require that every future act of the General Assembly be given a short title for convenience of citation, and to require the Legislative Reference Bureau to report to the next session of the General Assembly a list of short titles for certain acts now in force.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 833.

An Act to make provision to enable the federal and confederate veteran soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the Civil War to unite and participate in the national memorial reunion and peace jubilee to be held in the national domain within the Vicksburg national military park, October sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 834.

An Act supplementing and amending the second paragraph of Section 301 of an act, entitled "The Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915," by extending the meaning of the terms "injury" and "personal injury" to include vocational diseases.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 835.

An Act empowering cities of the second and third class, towns, boroughs and townships to purchase food products and regulate the sale thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 836.

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled, "An Act authorizing the courts of this Commonwealth in cases where the jury have disagreed, to certify the evidence so as to become part of the record and to enter judgment upon the whole record, if either party was entitled thereto, whenever a request for binding instructions has been reserved or declined by the trial judge; and authorizing appeals from the judgment so entered, and the entry of the proper judgment in the Supreme or Superior Court."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. DRINKHOUSE. House Bill No. 837.

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Philadelphia School of Design for Women.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MURDOCK. House Bill No. 838.

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of April, one thousand nine hundred five, entitled "An Act amending section two of an act, entitled 'A supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled "A further supplement to an act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine" approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth

section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five; providing for the extension of the provisions of this act to townships of the first class;" by providing for the exension of the provisions of this act to towns and townships of the second class.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. REITZEL. House Bill No. 839.

An Act making an appropriation to the Columbia Hospital, located at Columbia, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RAMSEY (By request). House Bill No. 840.

An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act prohibiting the offering or giving of premium by any person, partnership, or corporation, licensed to sell vinous, spiritous, malt, or brewed liquors at wholesale or retail, for the return of caps, stoppers, corks, stamps, or labels taken from any bottle, case, keg, barrel, or package containing such vinous, spiritous, malt, or brewed liquors and providing a penalty for the violation thereof," approved the twelfth day of June, Anno Domini nineteen thirteen, prohibiting the offer of gifts of premiums or present as an inducement for the purchase of liquors, or for any other purpose.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 841.

An Act to amend an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to provide that admission now had or that may hereafter be had to practice as an attorney at law in the Supreme Court of this Commonwealth shall of itself, without more, operate as an admission of such attorney as attorney at law in every other court of this Commonwealth; and to provide that disbarment or suspension of any attorney by the said Supreme Court shall of itself, without more, operate as a disbarment or suspension of such attorney as an attorney in every other court of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, returned House Bill No. 354 from the Committee on Judiciary General, to be re-referred.

By Mr. SIMPSON. House Bill No. 354.

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes, by topics, of the existing laws of this Commonwealth, for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly; fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein; fixing the compensation of the assistant director; and making an appropriation therefor," fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein, and making an appropriation.

Re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, returned House Bill No. 376 from the Committee on Judiciary General, be re-referred.

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Re-referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 295, entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act, approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (P. L. 644), entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,'" as amended, by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 293, entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens, and the proceedings for the collection thereof, in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 657, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 337 (Senate Bill No. 34), entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 243, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Aritcle IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 244, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Aritcle IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act requiring State county and local fair Associations to provide on the grounds used for fair exhibition purposes a sufficient number of public comfort stations or toilets requiring the same to be kept in a sanitary condition and providing penalties for violation of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 308, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by any animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth, in State hospitals for the insane,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three," as amended; by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to further carry out the provisions of the act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (P. L. 938), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the Port of Erie by dredging the said basins; for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins, and erecting certain walls in the same; for the protection of the said State canal basins, with harbor of Erie; authorizing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements; and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public, and kept in repairs."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadelphia

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 675 (Senate Bill No. 74), entitled

An Act defining Optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 248, entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulation partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 447, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms billiard roms bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and to regulate the time for closing the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 461, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (P. L. 237), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 359, entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 262, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies" approved the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 445, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes,' approved the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board, authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician, and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station, and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto," approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 472, entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be made and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 332 (Senate Bill No. 14), entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d) section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 198) entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" as amended by providing that informations in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 501 (Senate Bill No. 82), entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 509 (Senate Bill No. 118), entitled

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

The SPEAKER. The Chair lays before the House a report from the Secretary of Agriculture which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read the report as follows:

Pennsylvania
Department of Agriculture
Harrisburg, February 28. 1917.

Honorable House of Representatives,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Gentlemen: In compliance to the resolution introduced by the Honorable A. Ramsey S. Black, we submit the following report:

It has been impossible for us to get the amount of product held by commission merchants and large store companies in the State, as there is no means whereby we could get this. There is no doubt that there are several millions of bushels of potatoes held by these agencies, as they were bought up early in the season and stored for their customers.

The potatoes held by fhe producers are very little in excess of what would be required for seed the coming season, as the high price offered has been an inducement for the producers to get rid of their surplus stock.

There should be adequate means for the State to get this information when requested, but as the Department has had no appropriation for that kind of work, outside of the cold storage houses, you can readily see that it is very nearly an impossibility to get it.

Hoping that this will answer your needs at the present time, I remain,

Very truly yours,
CHARLES E. PATTON,
Secretary of Agriculture.

REPORT.

Nos. 1 and 2:

There are seventy-two licensed cold storage warehouses in Pennsylvania located and owned as follows:

LIST OF WAREHOUSES HOLDING LICENSES UNDER THE COLD STORAGE ACT OF 1913.

ADAMS COUNTY.

Gettysburg Ice & Storage Co., C. B. Dougherty, Mgr., Gettysburg, Pa.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Pittsburgh Terminal Warehouse & Transfer Co., D. Buchanan, Sec. and Treas., Carson St. between Third and Fourth Sts., S. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

A. Silz, Inc., William A. Tavano, Mgr., 204-206 First Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Standard Ice Co., Chas. A. Muehlbronner, Mgr., 1362-1374 River Ave., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

Union Storage Co., C. L. Criss, Sec., Liberty and Second Aves., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Union Storage Co., C. L. Criss, Sec., Short St. and First Ave., Water St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Peoples Ice, Light & Storage Co., George Altmeyer, Mgr., 136 Fifth Ave., McKeesport, Pa.

BERKS COUNTY.

Reading Cold Storage and Ice Co., C. Q. Guldin, Pres. and Gen. Mgr., Reed and Elm Sts., Reading, Pa.

State Asylum for Chronic Insane of Pennsylvania, Samuel S. Hill, M.D., Supt., South Mountain, Wernersville, Pa.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Sayre Creamery & Cold Storage Co., H. W. Larson, Mgr., 124-126 Bradford St., Sayre, Pa.

Bliss, Bohlayer & Krise, Robert Krise, Mgr., Troy, Pa.

R. M. Judson, R. M. Judson, Mgr., Columbia Cross Roads, Pa.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Sanitary Ice and Cold Storage Co., H. W. Tomb, Mgr., Somerset St., Johnstown, Pa.

Keystone Butter Co., Charles W. Gould, Mgr., 542 Washington St., Johnstown, Pa.

CARBON COUNTY.

Geo. G. Harlan, Geo. G. Harlan, Mgr., Upper Mauch Chunk, Pa.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Peoples Ice and Storage Co., Joseph H. Oat, Mgr., 10-12 E. Chestnut St., West Chester, Pa.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

A. B. Griffing & Sons, A. B. Griffing & Sons, Mgrs., Linesville, Pa.

J. B. Pastorius, J. B. Pastorius, Mgr., Cor. Diamond and Martin Sts., Titusville, Pa.

E. H. Rice, J. W. Rice, Mgr. or Owner, one-half mile east Harmonsburg, Harmonsburg, Pa.

Rider Bros., Roscoe C. Rider, Prop., Grant St., and Erie R. R., Cambria Springs, Pa.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Swift & Co., C. A. Hibler, Mgr., Cor N. Seventh and North Sts., Harrisburg, Pa.

J. H. Kreamer, J. H. Kreamer, Mgr., Forrest St. and Turner Alley, Harrisburg, Pa.

Steelton Store Co., Ltd., W. E. Abercombie, Gen. Mgr., Cor. Front and Locust Sts., Steelton, Pa.

ERIE COUNTY.

Booth Fisheries Co., H. J. Knight, Res. Mgr., Foot of French St., Erie, Pa.

The Case Fish Co., E. T. Case, Mgr., Public Dock, Erie, Pa.

Erie County Milk Association, T. D. Willis, Mgr., 21st and State Sts., Erie, Pa.

Erie Fish Co., T. B. Walker, Mgr., Erie, Pa.

Keystone Fish Co., Siemon Schacht, Mgr., Foot of French St., Erie, Pa.

Kolbe Fish Co., Irwin H. Kolbe, Mgr., Erie, Pa.

Lake Erie Fish Co., Jerry Driscoll, Mgr., 13 E. Pub. Dock, Erie, Pa.

Lake Shore Ice Cream Co., W. A. Dart, Mgr., 15th and Parade Sts., Erie, Pa.

Eugene Loesch & Son, Charles Loesch, Mgr., Loesch's Dock, Foot of French St., Erie, Pa.

F. R. Simmons, F. R. Simmons, Mgr., Erie, Pa.

The Union Fish Co., Howard J. Jones, Mgrs., Union Dock, Erie, Pa.

Bracken Bros., D. L. Bracken, Mgr., Corry, Pa.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Hygeia Co., Louis E. Beall, Mgr., Uniontown, Pa.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Chambersburg Ice & Cold Storage Co., W. A. Bulbertson, Supt., Cor. Grant and Kennedy Sts., Chambersburg, Pa.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, T. B. Patton, Supt., Huntingdon, Pa.

INDIANA COUNTY.

Sanitary Ice and Cold Storage Co., H. W. Tomb, Mgr., Water St., Indiana, Pa. Transferred October 2, 1916, to Storage Ice & Supply Co., E. B. Campbell, Mgr., same address.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Armour & Co., C. J. Dunning, Mgr., 115 Franklin Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Lackawanna Cold Storage Co., W. S. Batcheller, Gen. Mgr., 706 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Scranton Cold Storage Co., E. L. Alexander, Mgr., 15 and 17 Lackawanna Ave., Scranton, Pa.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Allentown Ice & Cold Storage Co., Inc., Theodore L. Newell, Mgr., Gordon St. and Terminal R. R., Allentown, Pa.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Central Poor District of Luzerne County, Charles B. Mayberry, M.D., Supt. of Hospital for Insane, Retreat, Pa.
Armour & Co., D. D. Davis, Mgr., 68-72 S. Penna. Ave., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Moutoursville Co-Operative Creamery Co., Charles E. Evans, Mgr., Moutoursville, Pa.

MERCER COUNTY.

J. D. Biggin & Sons Co., E. O. Biggin, Mgr., 48 N. Irvine Ave., Sharon, Pa.
Geo W. Boyd, Geo. W. Boyd, Mgr., 98 South Dock St., Sharon, Pa.

MIFFLIN COUNTY.

Lewistown Ice and Storage Co., G. B. W. O. Wisehaupt, Pres., S. Main St., Lewistown, Pa.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

The Linfield Cold Storage & Ice Co., Jacob F. Miller, Mgr., Linfield, Pa.
Pottstown Cold Storage & Warehouse Co., George W. Witman, Mgr., Queen and Yorks Sts., Pottstown, Pa.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

State Hospital for the Insane, H. B. Schultz, Mgr., Danville, Pa.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Lehigh Valley Cold Storage Co., W. J. Kratz, Mgr., 4th and Birch Sts., So. Bethlehem, Pa.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Brb & Zaring, E. H. Diebler, Mgr., Commerce and Coal Sts., Shamokin, Pa.
Sunbury Ice & Storage Co., F. E. Weaver, Mgr., S. Second St., Sunbury, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Delaware Storage & Freezing Co., Horace P. Serrill, Mgr., American and Callowhill Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
Edson Bros., H. E. Edson, Mgr., 112 Dock St., Philadelphia, Pa.
John J. Felin & Co., Inc., John J. Felin, Mgr., 4142-56 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
Industrial Cold Storage & Warehouse Co., J. A. Mooney, Mgr., American & Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
Penna. Cold Storage & Market Co., W. C. Martin, Pres.; Franklin H. Herst, Gen. Supt., Water and Spruce Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
Philadelphia & Reading Raiyway Co., George H. McKay, Mgr., 1118 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Penna. Cold Storage & Market Co., W. C. Martin, Pres.; Franklin H. Herst, Gen. Supt., 29th and Market Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
Philadelphia Warehousing & Cold Storage Co., J. A. Geisz, Mgr., 513 to 519 Beach St., Philadelphia.
Philadelphia Warehousing & Cold Storage Co., J. A. Geisz, Mgr., 516 to 518 Beash St., Philadelphia, Pa.
S. Sklaroff & Sons, Israel Sklaroff and Morris Likoff, Mgrs., 712-14 South Second St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Swift & Co., A. H. Olton, Mgr., Cor. Ninth St. and Girard Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
The Penna. Inst. for the Deaf and Dumb, Dr. A. L. E. Srouter, Supt., Germantown Ave., Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pa.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Armour & Co., J. S. Housenick, Mgr., 125 E. Lloyd St., Shenandoah, Pa.

VENANGO COUNTY.

State Institution for Feeble Minded of Western Penna., Dr. J. M. Murdock, Supt.; John Moore, Operator; G. L. Weaver, Steward, Polk, Pa.

WARREN COUNTY.

R. D. McKelvey, R. D. McKelvey, Mgr., Spring Creek, Pa.
Smith & Horton Co., Ltd., W. P. McClure, Mgr., 405 Chestnut St., Warren, Pa.

YORK COUNTY.

York Storage & Ice Co., Aug. Beck, Mgr., Arch St. and Mill Road, York, Pa.

No. 3. THE ARTICLES IN FOOD STUFFS CONTAINED IN THE COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES REPORTING AS OF FEBRUARY 26, WERE AS FOLLOWS:

	Eggs in Shell, Doz.	Eggs out of Shell, Lbs.	Butter, Lbs.	Oleomargarine, Lbs.	Fish, Lbs.	Frozen and Preserved Fruits, Lbs.	Poultry, Lbs.	Cabbage, Bbls.	Poultry, Boxes.	Meat, Lbs.	Apples, Bbls.
Gettysburg Ice and Storage Co.,							135			225	
Pittsburgh Ter. Warehousing and Transfer Co.	300		78,519	1,800			427,560			284,297	8,638
Standard Ice Co.,											
Union Storage Co., }	90	50,000	104,000				208,000			49,000	3,400
Union Storage Co., }											
Peoples' Ice, Light and Storage Co.,			90				1,405			690	3
A. Silz, Inc.,							11,284		552	200	
Reading Cold Storage and Ice Co.,			1,100				500			405,670	
State Asylum for Chronic Insane,											
Sayre Creamery and Cold Storage Co.,			41,387								61
Bliss, Bonlayer & Krise,			480								
R. M. Judson,	*None										
Sanitary Ice and Cold Storage Co.,			564								917
Keystone Butter Co.,	None										
Geo. G. Harlan,	None										
People's Ice and Storage Co.,	180						400			2,200	195
A. B. Griffing & Sons,	1,260		6,600								
J. B. Pastorius,			470								
E. H Rice & Jno. Rice,											
Rider Bros.,											
Swift & Co., Harrisburg,							1,802			2,225	
J. H. Kreamer,	None										
Steelton Store Co.,	None										
Booth Fisheries Co.,					80,000						
Case Fish Co.,	None										
Erie Co. Milk Assn.,			7,396								
Erie Fish Co.,					1,700						
Keystone Fish Co.,					27,000						
Kolbe Fish Co.,					69,986						
Lake Erie Fish Co.,					1,500						
Lake Shore Ice Cream Co.,										14,740	
Eugen Loesch & Son,					16,950						
F. R. Simmons,	None										
Union Fish Co.,	None										
Bracken Bros.,	None										
Hygeia Co.,	660		16,857								
Chambersburg Ice and Cold Storage Co.,					9,300					847	
Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory,	34		57							2,345	
Sanitary Ice and Cold Storage Co.,	240		325							350	415
Armour & Co., Scranton,							300			13,500	
Lackawanna Cold Storage Co.,			302,549				227,343			926,605	2,938
Scranton Cold Storage Co.,	5,170		149,160		6,540		6,123	20		29,797	59
Allentown Ice and Cold Storage Co.,	90		12,600				13,000			67,850	
Central Poor District of Luzerne Co.,	420		5,670							14,384	
Armour & Co., Wilkes-Barre,	None										
Montoursville Co-operative Creamery Co.,			376								
J. D. Biggins & Sons Co.,											
Geo. W. Boyd,	None										
Lewistown Ice and Storage Co.,			700				250			350	
Linfield Ice and Cold Storage Co.,	90										35
Pottstown Cold Storage and Warehouse Co.,	420										348
State Hospital for the Insane,			13,820								
Lehigh Valley Cold Storage Co.,	None										
Erb & Zaring,					3,300						300
Sunbury Ice and Storage Co.,	None										
Delaware Storage and Freezing Co.,		29,220			99,203	172,371	1,040,996			1,914,712	
Edson Bros.,							68,392				
Jno. J. Felin & Co., Inc.,										1,757,096	
Industrial Cold Storage and Warehouse Co.,			466,500		90,600		2,031,300			467,800	
Pennsylvania Cold Storage Co., }		2,970	2,780,650	10,800	750,822	10,500	1,076,583			246,018	
Pennsylvania Cold Storage Co., }											
Philadelphia & Reading R. R. Co.,		4,224	240,980			50,000	202,477			57,004	3,100
Philadelphia Warehousing and Cold Storage Co., }		180	748,620	750	412,800		719,911	493		1,954,087	10,384
Philadelphia Warehousing and Cold Storage Co., }											
S. Sklaroff & Sons,					300,000						
Swift & Co., Philadelphia,							275,321			231,461	
Pennsylvania Inst. for Deaf and Dumb,			4,240								
Armour & Co., Shenandoah,							1,800			1,500	
State Inst. for Feeble-Minded of Western Pa.,	60		4,150							8,593	
R. D. McKelvey,	None										
Smith & Horton Co., Ltd.,	150		28,404								
York Storage and Ice Co.,			190		4,000		1,030			7,150	
Totals,	9,104	86,594	5,016,454	13,350	1,873,701	232,871	6,315,912	513	552	8,460,676	30,778

*No goods in storage.

No. 3. Articles in Food Stuffs Contained in Cold Storage Warehouses—Continued.

	Apples, Boxes.	Potatoes, Bus.	Celery, Crates.	Onions, Bus.	Turnips, Bbls.	Oranges, Boxes.	Cheese, Lbs.	Cauliflower, Crates.	Lard, Lbs.	Dried Fruits, Cases.	Grape Fruit, Boxes.	Salad, Baskets.
Gettysburg Ice and Storage Co.,												
Pittsburgh Terminal Warehousing and Transfer Co.,	22,114						84,582					
Standard Ice Co.,												
Union Storage Co.,	2,500						212,000					
Union Storage Co.,												
Peoples' Ice, Light and Storage Co.,						4						
A. Silz, Inc.,												
Reading Cold Storage and Ice Co.,							3,290		67,484			
State Asylum for Chronic Insane,												
Sayre Creamery and Cold Storage Co.,												
Bliss, Bohlayer & Krise,												
R. M. Judson,												
Sanitary Ice and Cold Storage Co.,	15									33		
Keystone Butter Co.,												
Geo. G. Harlan,												
People's Ice and Storage Co.,	64						1,200					
A. B. Griffing & Sons,							26,000					
J. B. Pastorius,												
E. H. Rice & Jno. Rice,												
Rider Bros.,							24,150					
Swift & Co., Harrisburg,												
J. H. Kreamer,												
Steelton Store Co.,												
Booth Fisheries Co.,												
Case Fish Co.,												
Erie Co. Milk Assn.,							1,480					
Erie Fish Co.,												
Keystone Fish Co.,												
Kolbe Fish Co.,												
Lake Erie Fish Co.,												
Lake Shore Ice Cream Co.,												
Eugen Loesch & Son,												
F. R. Simmons,												
Union Fish Co.,												
Bracker Bros.,												
Hygeia Co.,							19,581					
Chambersburg Ice and Cold Storage Co.,		486				134					24	
Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory,		225		40					1,260			
Sanitary Ice and Cold Storage Co.,												
Armour & Co., Scranton,												
Lackawanna Cold Storage Co.,		250					39,788					
Scranton Cold Storage Co.,							95,120					
Allentown Ice and Cold Storage Co.,												
Central Poor District of Luzerne Co.,												
Armour & Co., Wilkes-Barre,												
Montoursville Co-operative Creamery Co.,												
J. D. Biggins & Sons Co.,							12,000					
Geo. W. Boyd,												
Lewistown Ice and Storage Co.,												
Linfield Ice and Cold Storage Co.,	435											
Pottstown Cold Storage and Warehouse Co.,	426			6					6,250			
State Hospital for the Insane,												
Lehigh Valley Cold Storage Co.,												
Erb & Zaring,				120			9,500					
Sunbury Ice and Storage Co.,												
Delaware Storage and Freezing Co.,							34,618					
Edson Bros.,												
Jno. J. Felin & Co., Inc.,									342,173			
Industrial Cold Storage and Warehouse Co.,							62,050					
Pennsylvania Cold Storage Co.,	15,517		396	5,862			277,580		100			
Pennsylvania Cold Storage Co.,												
Philadelphia & Reading R. R. Co.,		342	90		775	210		110				
Philadelphia Warehousing and Cold Storage Co.,	24,862			510	788	2,430	215,040		50,000	27,381		
Philadelphia Warehousing and Cold Storage Co.,												
S. Sklaroff & Sons,												
Swift & Co., Philadelphia,							3,835					
Pennsylvania Inst. for Deaf and Dumb,												
Armour & Co., Shenandoah,												
State Inst. for Feeble Minded of Western Pa.,									33,115			
R. D. McKelvey,												
Smith & Horton Co., Ltd.,							109,304					
York Storage and Ice Co.,	1,042											
Totals,	66,975	1,303	486	6,538	1,563	2,774	1,231,118	110	505,492	27,419	24	

In addition to the above table the following was contained in storage:

Philadelphia Warehousing and Cold Storage Co.

Beans and rice, 1,812 bus., nuts, 1,228 packages; cereals, 685 packages; lemons, 644 boxes; sugar, 250 lbs.; syrup, 400 bbls.; carrots, 1,338, packages; canned goods, 13,028 cases; horse radish, 25 bbls.

State Asylum for Chronic Insane, Wernersville.

Apples, 72 bus., baking powder, 32 lbs., barley, 190 lbs., Navy beans, 8,747 lbs., dried beef, 117 lbs., beef, 924½ lbs., canned blackberries, 317 quarts, apple butter, 269 gals., creamery butter, 213 lbs., grape butter, 12 gals., peach butter, 278 gals., peanut butter, 200 lbs., pear butter, 17 gals., plum butter, 37 gals., tomato catsup, 10 qts., cheese, 594 lbs., chickens, 20 lbs., chocolate, 21 lbs., cereal coffee, 1,078 lbs., coffee, 547 lbs., cornmeal, 579 lbs., cornstarch, 377 lbs., dried corn, 168 lbs., soda crackers, 639 lbs., eggs, 1,398 doz., liquid rennet, 10 bottles orange extract, 2 bottles, root beer, 13 bottles, vanilla, 7 bottles, spring wheat flour, 87½ bbls., winter wheat flour, 180½ bbls., geese, 63 lbs., canned gooseberries, 236 quarts, cracked hominy, 954 lbs., lard, 3,891 lbs., macaroni, 868 lbs., milk, 514 lbs., molasses, 99 gals, sugar syrup, 155 gals., mutton, 696 lbs., dried peaches, 675 lbs., dried peas, 947 lbs., pork, 50 lbs., prunes, 925 lbs., raisins, 25 lbs., canned raspberries, 259 qts., rolled oats, 1,283 lbs., table salt, 1,521 lbs., grain salt, 1,640 lbs., allspice, 29 lbs., allspice whole, 7 lbs., cinnamon, 6 lbs., ground cinnamon, 34 lbs., cloves, 1 lb., ground cloves, 3 lbs., ginger, 46 lbs., mustard, 16 lbs., whole nutmegs, 5 lbs., black pepper, 92 lbs., cayenne pepper, 3 lbs., white pepper, 1 lb., strawberry jelly, 94 gals., granulated sugar, 5,554 lbs., tea, 477 lbs., canned tomatoes, 6,976 qts., mince meat, 1,418 lbs., veal, 116 lbs., vermicelli, 168 lbs., bacon, 324 lbs., ham, 2,480 lbs., bologna, 114 lbs., summer sausage, 250 lbs., lard, 6,210 lbs., carrots, 96 bus., turnips, 72 bus., beets, 348 bus., salsify, 24 bus., radishes, 21 bus., sour kraut, 792 gals., onions, 10 bus., potatoes, 1,500 bus.

No. 4.

There are no available figures showing that exportation of eggs from Pennsylvania, but the attention of the Department of Agriculture was recently called to one shipment of almost 1,000,000 dozen which were removed from a cold storage warehouse for shipment abroad.

No. 5.

There are no available figures on the exportation of food stuffs from Pennsylvania. The canneries in some sections had many orders for export trade and there is no doubt but that large quantities of canned vegetables and dried fruits were shipped abroad.

No. 6.

The following figures will give an idea of the price received by the growers for some produce and the price paid by consumers:

Potatoes—

Average price to grower, ... $1.30 bus.
Market price February 26, ...$3,00 & $3.25 bus.

Apples—

Average price to grower, ... $2.04 bbl.
Market price February 26, ...$3.00 to $5.50 bbl.

Cabbage—

Average price to grower, ... $ .03 lb.
Market price February 26, ... .10 lb.

Onions—

Average price to grower, ... $1.50 bus.
Market price February 26, ...$3.00 to $5.00 bus.

No. 7.

1916 yield of principal vegetables in Pennsylvania.

	1915.	1916.
Potatoes,	18,564,000 bus.	20,502,000 bus.
Onions,	74,000 bus.	101,000 bus.
Sweet potatoes,	98,000 bus.	105,000 bus.
Cabbage,	21,580 tons	34,074 tons
Beans,	10,152 bus.	12,690 bus.
Peas,	70 per cent. of a normal crop	
Tomatoes,	75 per cent. of a normal crop	
Sweet corn,	75 per cent. of a normal crop	

No. 8.

With the exception of potatoes, onions and sweet potatoes, practically the entire crop of vegetables grown in Pennsylvania in 1916 has been marketed. Estimates show that the growers hold enough potatoes to fill their home demands for table and seed, with about five per cent. of the crop remaining for sale. No figures are obtainable on onions, cabbage or other products that remain in the growers hands. During the fall and winter of 1915-16 the canneries sold all canned goods on hand, principally for export trade, and the past season was the largest the canneries have ever experienced. Growers of tomatoes, onions, sweet corn and beans sold large quantities of the season's crop to canneries for the filling of large export orders.

No. 9.

Reports from all sections of the State show the following potatoes in the growers' hands:

POTATOES IN THE HANDS OF PRODUCERS IN PENNSYLVANIA, ACCORDING TO THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

County.	Bushels.
Adams,	32,575
Allegheny,	63,735
Armstrong,	44,900
Beaver,	20,775
Bedford,	41,273
Berks,	131,516
Blair,	24,440
Bradford,	117,376
Bucks,	173,645
Butler,	103,697
Cambria,	30,356
Cameron,	6,420
Carbon,	25,074
Centre,	39,461
Chester,	120,791
Clarion,	28,682
Clearfield,	61,235
Clinton,	16,296
Columbia,	54,548
Crawford,	78,504
Cumberland,	61,578
Dauphin,	43,848
Delaware,	35,370
Elk,	17,268
Erie,	96,084
Fayette,	30,110
Forest,	6,780
Franklin,	48,165
Fulton,	13,481
Greene,	19,041
Huntingdon,	32,007
Indiana,	49,392
Jefferson,	53,190
Juniata,	20,665
Lackawanna,	13,979
Lancaster,	184,874
Lawrence,	21,363
Lebanon,	47,752
Lehigh	201,560
Luzerne,	96,244
Lycoming,	69,326
McKean,	25,547
Mercer,	33,258
Mifflin,	16,296
Monroe,	28,008
Montgomery,	47,716
Montour,	10,368
Northampton,	56,851
Northumberland,	60,650
Perry,	20,568
Philadelphia,	24,655
Pike,	11,025
Potter,	64,915
Schuylkill,	92,328
Snyder,	26,144
Somerset,	97,282
Sullivan,	10,068
Susquehanna,	39,995
Tioga,	64,892
Union,	8,882
Venango,	36,175
Warren,	53,539
Washington,	35,033
Wayne,	37,536
Westmoreland,	62,107
Wyoming,	29,348
York,	130,092
Total,	3,505,654

No. 10.

The Department of Agriculture has no facilities or power to determine or ascertain the holdings of potatoes or other produce by commission merchants, speculators or dealers or where such potatoes and produce may be stored, either in small or large quantities. There are undoubtedly large quantities of potatoes held in some sections of the State, but their adaptability to storage in almost any kind of a building where they can be kept from freezing and yet at a fairly low temperature makes it impossible to secure data on this subject.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the report be accepted and printed in to-day's Legislative Journal.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, may I ask for information,—whether this is the report we asked for through the resolution presented the other day bearing on cold storage?

The SPEAKER. The communication indicates that it is. It is in answer to the resolution presented by the gentleman from Dauphin, Mr. Black.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, does it give that information?

THE SPEAKER. The presumption is that it contains all the information that the Secretary of Agriculture can give us. After the motion by the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Ramsey, is carried, it will be printed and be available to all the members of the House.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The SPEAKER. The Chair is very sorry to have to announce to the members of the House that it would be very unfair to any members to have a bill come up for third reading at this time. Ten or fifteen votes might defeat any bill. That would result in the reconsideration of the bill, and it would take more time to reconsider it than postponing consideration at this time and allowing the third reading calendar to go over until to-morrow morning. I would suggest that we adjourn until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, so that we can come here and clear up our calendar and enable the members to get away on the trains that leave between eleven and twelve o'clock.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. HOWARTH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 4.45 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, March 1, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Dear Father in Heaven, may we ever hallow Thy most holy name.

Grant that Thy kingdom may come and Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, yea we glorify Thee.

Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of Thy servants, as may be most expedient, granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth and in eternity everlasting bliss.

Bless, we beseech Thee, the Speaker of this House on this his natal anniversary, give him many more years of health, prosperity and usefulness after more than a score of years in Thy service.

Pour out the dew of Thy blessing upon all of us assembled here this morning, and save us, is the prayer of Thy unworthy but humble servants. O Lord answer our prayer. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Dunn, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 842.

An Act authorizing Robert N. McAllister and Ruth McAllister, his wife, residents of the Borough of Jersey Shore, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Clinton County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, jointly or severally.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 843.

An Act authorizing Edward Fay and Son, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, against the Commonwealth of Pensylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 844.

An Act relating to milk and milk products; prescribing certain powers and duties of the State Livestock Sanitary Board, its officers and agents; and prescribing a penalty for the violation of this act, and of the rules and regulations of the State Livestock Sanitary Board.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 845.

An Act authorizing cities of the first class to make appropriations for the support of destitute families of persons sentenced to imprisonment, and providing a system of control and administration for the distribution thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 846.

An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens, and the proceedings for the collection thereof, in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 847.

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the proviisons by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. MILLIRON, from the Committee on Game, reported as amended House Bill No. 187, entitled

An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of game, game-quadrupeds and game-birds, and song and insectivorous and other wild birds, and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions.

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE SPEAKER ON HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. DUNN offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the congratulations and best wishes of the House be extended to the Speaker, the Honorable Richard J. Baldwin, on this his sixty-fourth birthday.

RESOLUTION.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF RESPECT TO SPEAKER'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. BALDRIDGE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, we do so out of respect to the Speaker of this House in honor of his sixty-fourth birthday anniversary.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 274, as follows:

An Act requiring State county and local fair associations to provide on the grounds used for fair or exhibition purposes a sufficient number of public comfort stations or toilets requiring the same to be kept in a sanitary condition and providing penalties for violation of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act all individuals corporations or associations conducting and operating State county or local fairs agricultural fairs or other exhibits held in inclosed grounds to which the public are admitted for pay shall provide and maintain on the said grounds public comfort stations or toilets as hereinafter provided

Section 2 There shall be at least two public comfort stations or toilet buildings for each sex situated at opposite sides or ends of the grounds and no two public comfort stations or toilet buildings for the different sexes shall be less than one hundred (100) feet apart

Section 3 Public comfort stations or toilet buildings for women shall be of sufficient capacity to accommodate at the same time at least one person to every three hundred (300) persons in attendance such attendance to be calculated by the maximum attendance on any one day during the preceding year Public comfort stations or toilet buildings for men shall be of sufficient capacity to accommodate at the same time at least one person for every five hundred (500) persons in attendance such attendance to be calculated by the maximum attendance on any one day during the preceding year provided that such accommodation may be supplied one-half (½) by urinals and one-half (½) by toilet compartments

Section 4 All toilets not connected with a sanitary sewer shall be provided with water tight vaults or water tight removable boxes and shall be cleaned out immediately after each annual meeting or exhibition and the contents thereof burned or buried At the close of each day the contents of such vaults or boxes shall be covered with bichloride of lime

Section 5 There shall be provided for each public comfort station or toilet building at least one attendant who shall remain at said comfort station during the exhibition hours of the day whose duty it shall be to keep such toilet buildings in sanitary condition and who shall treat the contents of the vaults or boxes at the close of each day with bichloride of lime as required in section four

Section 6 Public comfort stations or toilets shall at all times be kept clean and in sanitary condition and shall be so constructed as to permit ample ventilation and afford ample light

Section 7 It shall be the duty of the Department of Health of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to inspect each year at least five (5) days prior to the opening of their exhibits the grounds of said fair associations and also during the time when the exhibits are open to the public and if on the inspection made prior to the opening of the exhibit any conditions are found contrary to the provisions of this act to issue orders in writing to the managers of such fair associations requiring such conditions to be remedied prior to the opening of the exhibit and if conditions are found during the time when the grounds are open to the public contrary to the provisions of this act to issue orders in writing to the manager superintendent or other person having charge of such grounds requiring such conditions to be remedied forthwith

Section 8 Any person or persons corporation or associations operating or conducting any fair or exhibition who shall fail to comply with the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any justice of the peace or alderman in the county be subject to a fine of at least one hundred (100) dollars and the costs of the prosecution Such fine and costs to be collected in the manner in which debts are recoverable by law Any manager superintendent or other official having charge of any fair grounds on whom notice is served in writing by the Department of Health who shall fail to comply with such order shall be considered as having violated the provisions of this act and shall upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any justice of the peace or alderman of said county be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five (25) dollars and the costs of prosecution or to undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for a period of not less than ten (10) days or either or both at the discretion of the court

Section 9 All Acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 308, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia or rabies after having been bitten by any animal believed to be suffering therefrom repealing all prior acts relating hereunto and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith" by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eleven) entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia or rabies after having been bitten by any animal believed to be suffering therefrom repealing all prior acts relating hereunto and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in every county of this Commonwealth it shall be the duty of the officers or directors who are charged by law with the relief and maintenance of the poor and indigent of the county or of any of the lesser poor districts therein embraced to provide with approved medical care and proper attendance (including the so-called Pasteur treatment where prescribed) all indigent persons domiciled within said districts who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia or rabies by reason of having been bitten by any animal believed to have been suffering from said dissase and to order payment of the expenses so incurred out of the fund provided by law for the support and relief of the needy and indigent of such county or lesser poor districts if still prevailing therein" be amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all persons domiciled within any county who may be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia or rabies by reason of having been bitten by any animal believed to have been suffering from said disease may apply to any reputable physician for proper treatment (including the so-called Pasteur treatment when necessary)

The expenses of administering any such treatment shall be paid by the county out of the fund collected from taxation of dogs and used for the purpose of indemnifying owners of sheep for loss or damage by dogs upon the filing of a duly itemized voucher under oath with the county commissioners

"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 106, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to further carry out the provisions of the act approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred thirty-eight) entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the port of Erie by dredging the said basins for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins and erecting certain walls in the same for the protection of said State canal basins with harbor of Erie authorizing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public and kept in repairs"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the commission in charge of improvement and dredging of the State canal basins at the port of Erie to be used in further carrying out the purpose of the act approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred thirty-eight) entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the port of Erie by dredging the said basins for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins and erecting certain walls in the same for the protection of said State canal basins with harbor of Erie authorizing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public and kept in repairs" The moneys hereby appropriated shall be paid out in the same manner and under the same conditions as prescribed for the payment of moneys appropriated in said act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 177, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadelphia

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) is hereby specifically appropriated to the Frankford Hospital located at Frankford Philadelphia for the purpose of completing the hospital building being the amount appropriated to said hospital by act approved the eighteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadel-

phia" but which amount through inadvertence on the part of the trustees of said hospital was not paid but reverted to the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 675 (Senate Bill No. 74), entitled

An Act defining Optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Comomnwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing for a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 248, as follows:

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section thirty-five of the act approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" which reads as follows

"Section 35 (1) If the partnership is not dissolved because it has become unlawful to carry on the business a partner cannot after dissolution bind the partnership to third persons by any act which is not necessary to wind up the partnership affairs or to complete transactions unless

(a) Such third person not having had relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended upon the faith of the partnership has had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(b) Such third person not having had business relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended to the partnership had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution and the fact of dissolution has not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation of the place (or of each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on and in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The partnership is in no case bound by the acts of a partner who has become bankrupt but this provision does not affect the liability of any person who as declared by section sixteen after bankruptcy has represented himself or consented to another's representing him to be a partner of the bankrupt" be and the same is hereby to read as follows

Section 35 Power of partner to bind partnership to third person after dissolution) (1) After dissolution a partner can bind the partnership except as provided in paragraph (3)

(a) By any act appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or completing transactions unfinished at dissolution

(b) By any transaction which would bind the partnership if dissolution had not taken place provided the other party to the transaction

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge of notice of the dissolution or

(II) Though he had not so extended credit had nevertheless known of the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of dissolution the fact of dissolution had not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the place (or in each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The liability of a partner under paragraph (1b) shall be satisfied out of partnership assets alone when such partner had been prior to dissolution

(a) Unknown as a partner to the person with whom the contract is made and

(b) So far unknown and inactive in partnership affairs that the business reputation of the partnership could not be said to have been in any degree due to his connection with it

(3) The partnership is in no case bound by any act of a partner after dissolution

(a) Where the partnership is dissolved because it is unlawful to carry on the business unless the act is appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or

(b) Where the partner has become bankrupt or

(c) Where the partner has no authority to wind up partnership affairs except by a transaction with one who

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of his want of authority or

(II) Had not extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of his want of authority the fact of his want of authority has not been advertised in the manner provided for advertising the fact of dissolution in paragraph (1b II)

(4) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability under section sixteen of any person who after dissolution represents himself or consents to another representing him as a partner in a partnership engaged in carrying on business

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 447, as follows:

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms billiard rooms bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and to regulate the time for closing the same

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the eighteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act for the better regulation of public pool rooms billiard rooms bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" which reads as follows to-wit

"Section 1 Be it enacted etcetera That it shall not be lawful for the licensed keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of any public pool room billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley in this Commonwealth knowingly to allow or permit any person under the age of eighteen years to be present in such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley and that the keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley knowingly allowing or permitting any person under the age of eighteen years to be present therein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars" and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted etcetera That it shall not be lawful for the licensed keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of any public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley in this Commonwealth to remain open between the hours of twelve o'clock midnight and six o'clock Ante Meridian of each and every night and on the first day of the week commonly called the Sabbath Day and knowingly to allow or permit any person under the age of eighteen years to be present in such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley and that the keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley keeping open between the hours of twelve o'clock midnight and six o'clock Ante Meridian of any night or on the first day of the week commonly called the Sabbath Day and knowingly allowing or permitting any person under the age of eighteen years to be present therein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 461, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven) entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven) entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That all persons or corporations dealing in milk or any of its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class shall hereafter pay into the Buerau of Health the sum of five dollars ($5) which shall thereupon entitle said dealer to a license authorizing him to deal in milk and its fluid derivatives in said city of the first class said license to be issued by the Bureau of Health of said city upon the payment of the aforesaid sum Each dealer so licensed shall be given a number a record of which shall be kept in the Bureau of Health and said license shall be consqicuously displayed in the dealer's chief place of business Provided howerer That all persons or corporations who sell milk and its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class but whose chief place of business shall be outside of such city shall place the number of said license in a conspicuous place on all vehicles used by them for the sale of milk"

is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all persons or corporations dealing in milk or any of its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class shall hereafter pay annually into the Bureau of Health such sum or sums for inspection as shall be fixed by ordinance of Councils of said city which shall thereupon entitle said dealer to a license authorizing him to deal in milk and its fluid derivatives in said city of the first class during the then current year said license to be issued by the Bureau of Health of said city upon payment of the aforesaid sum Each dealer so licensed shall be given a number a record of which shall be kept in the Bureau of Health and said license shall be conspicuously displayed in the dealers chief place of business Provided however That all persons or corporations who sell milk and its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class but whose chief place of business shall be outside of such city shall place the number of said license in a consqicuous place on all vehicles used by them for the sale of milk

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 359, as follows:

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases now pending or which may hereafter be brought where a writ of foreign attachment has been or shall be dissolved or quashed or the court has refused or shall refuse to dissolve or quash the same the party against whom such order is or has been made or whose interest is affected thereby may appeal to the Supreme or to the Superior Court as in other cases In the case of a refusal to dissolve or quash the right to appeal shall be immediate without waiting for the final judgment in the case

Section 2 When the appeal is from an order made dissolving or quashing the writ of attachment and is taken within ten days after such order is made such appeal shall operate as a supersedeas and the attachment shall continue to bind the property attached In all such cases bail shall be entered with sufficient surety in an amount to be fixed by the court which will properly secure the damages if any by reason of the detention of the property attached Such bail shall be conditioned that the appeal shall be prosecuted with effect and that if the appellant be unsuccessful therein he will pay such damages and costs

Section 3 Upon the hearing of any such appeal the evidence on which the case was heard and disposed of in the court below together with the opinion of the court thereon shall constitute a part of the record The court to which such appeal is taken shall consider the same and dispose of the case according as the law and the facts shall be found therefrom

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 262, as follows:

An Act a supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies" approved the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations engaged in supplying natural gas under the provisions of the Act of Assembly to which this is a supplement shall also have power to manufacture or purchase and to transport and supply manufactured fuel gas

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 445, as follows:

An Act to amend section four of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases and for other purposes' approved the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818) empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto" approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section four of the act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases and for other purposes' approved the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818) empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto" approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three which reads as follows

"Section 4 The Governor is hereby authorized and required to appoint one physician who shall be denominated the quarantine physician The quarantine physician shall be the executive officer of the quarantine station

He shall be a practicing physician and a graduate of at least ten (10) years standing

He shall enforce all laws rules and regulations as provided for in this act or as may be provided by the rules and regulations of the State Quarantine Board respecting the detention inspection and disinfection of vessels and their crews passengers baggage and cargoes bound to any place within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the Delaware river The quarantine physician shall keep a record in book form of all vessels inspected by him showing the date of inspection and the disposition made of each vessel He shall also keep a hospital record in the usual form He shall have the assistance of two deputies to be appointed by himself who shall receive as compensation the sum of two thousand dollars each and the said quarantine physician or one of his deputies shall be on duty continuously at the quarantine station The quarantine physician shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars His salary and that of his deputies shall be paid by the State

The said deputies shall have and exercise all the powers and duties of this act or by the rules and regulations of the State Quarantine Board imposed upon the quarantine physician They shall be graduates of at least three years standing" is hereby amended so as to read as follows

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The said deputies shall have and exercise all the powers and duties by this act and by the rules and regulations

of the State Quarantine Board imposed upon the quarantine physician They shall be graduates of at least three years standing

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 472, entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be made and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twenty-one of the act entitled "An act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance, or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one which reads as follows

"Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 21 Within thirty days after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings and affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service Said notice may be served upon the owner personally anywhere or such notice may be served on an adult member of his family or of the family with which he resides if such owner resides within the county where the structure or other improvement is situate If he resides without the county where such structure or improvement is situate then such notice may be served either on his architect or on the party in possession of the structure or improvement or it may be posted on some public part of the structure or other improvement and such service shall be of the same force and effect as if served upon the defendant personally A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, line 13, by striking out the word "which" and inserting the word "whom"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 332 (Senate Bill No. 14), entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d) section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-eight) entitled, "An Act to establish a court for the county of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties, regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" as amended by providing informations in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 501 (Senate Bill No. 82), entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled "A further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing the powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and defining its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" approved the ninteenth day of March Anno Domini nine hundred and fifteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 509 (Senate Bill No. 118), entitled

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act relating to limited partnersihps

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 614, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendent of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highway solely at the expense of the Commonwealth; and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decided the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended, by providing for the taking over by the State Highway Department of abandoned rights of way of railroad or railway companies in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same, requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part, requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 225, entitled

An Act requiring that the proper offcers of every county city borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons either in property or person upon any property owner by the said county city borough or township or road street or highway within the said city borough or township and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 608, entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford county Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 295, entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight

hundred and fifty-four (P. L. 644) entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 293, enttiled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 657, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 337 (Senate Bill No. 34), entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

COMMITTEE CHANGES.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker has received the following communication which the Clerk will read:

The Clerk read the communication as follows:

February 28, 1917.

Mr. Speaker. We would like to make the following changes with your permission: Michel from Insurance Committee to the Committee on Printing. Gans from Printing Committee to Insurance Committee.

SIGMUND J. GANS.
CHAS. A. MICHEL.

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection the changes will be made. The Chair hears no objection.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.

The SPEAKER announced the following appointments on committees:

Mr. Graeff appointed on the Committee on Counties and Townships, Game, Judiciary General, Municipal Corporations, Printing.

Mr. Rothenberger added to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Marvin added to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Bouton added to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. William Davis added to the Committee on Public Roads.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 9.30 A. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, March 12, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, March 12, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. M. D. Lichliter offered the following prayer:

Our Father and our God, with praise and thanksgiving we draw nigh unto Thee, thanking Thee for the life of the present and for the promise of the life which is to come. We invoke Thy blessing to rest upon this body, upon the presiding officer, the Lieutenant-Governor and the officers and attaches, and upon each member, and we pray that in their deliberations they may have an eye single to Thy glory. We especially invoke Thy tender mercy and Thy loving kindness to be upon the Senator lying upon his bed of pain, apparently entering the shadow. May the everlasting arms of our Father God be underneath him and the everlasting peace of God rest upon him. Bless our nation in this, its hour of crisis. Bless him who guides its destinies and grant that unto him as the great problems come, he may be enabled by Thy grace to solve them as Thou wouldst have them solved. Hear us in our prayers, pardon us of our sins and save us through grace. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SALUS, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Lycoming, Mr. Sones.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Northampton, Mr. Hackett.

Mr. McKEE asked and obtain leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Magee.

Mr. McKEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO SENATOR-ELECT MR. BEALES.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I call the Senate's attention to the fact that the newly-elected Senator from the Adams-Franklin District, Mr. C. William Beales, is in the chamber and prepared to take the oath of office and I therefore move you that a committee of two be appointed to escort the Senator-elect to the bar of the Senate in order that the oath may be administered.

Mr. SASSAMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair appoints the Senator from Fayette, Mr. Crow, and the Senator from Berks, Mr. Sassaman, to escort the Senator-elect to the bar of the Senate, where the oath of office, as required by law, will be administered to him by Honorable Samuel J. M. McCarrell, Additional Law Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District.

The oath of office was then administered to the Senator-elect, Mr. C. William Beales.

HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 95.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate in House Bill No. 95, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York' approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION PROTESTING AGAINST BILL NOW PENDING IN CONGRESS REDUCING THE TAX ON OLEOMARGARINE.

He also presented to the Senate communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House had concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, February 26, 1917.

Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the General Assembly of Pennsylvania hereby enters a protest against the bill now pending in Congress, Section five hundred of which reduces the tax on mixtures or compounds heretofore known as oleomargarine, from ten cents a pound to two cents a pound; and

Be it Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Chief Clerk of the House and Senate to the Senators and each Member of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 95, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York' approved the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three) to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands erect said buildings furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor district and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to ap-

point viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers.

House Bill No. 7, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE AT DANVILLE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 8, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, to serve for the term of three years, to compute from February 10, 1917:

W. Field Shay, Watsontown.
Edward Brennan, Shamokin.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

TRUSTEES TO ADMINISTER THE MOTHERS' ASSISTANCE FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Trustees to administer the Mothers' Assistance Fund for the County of Allegheny, until lawfully determined or annulled.

Mrs. John W. Thomas, Sharpsburg, Pa.
Miss Mary E. Bakewell, Sewickley, Pa.
Mrs. Edward Worcester, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. William D. Phelan, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Eleanor Hanson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Marcus Spire, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. P. W. Morgan, Wilmerding, Pa.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, Pa., March 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert R. Neefe, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Cummings, County of Lycoming, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure of person elected to qualify.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, Pa., March 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John S. Dale, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of State College, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice L. C. Bullock, Jr., resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, Pa., March 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Walter G. Strayer, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of White, County of Cambria, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. A. Gates, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 1, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, W. A. Culler, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Waynesboro, County of Franklin, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice E. E. Conrad, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 12, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Clifford Ball, Pittsburgh.
A. H. Clarke, Pittsburgh.
D. W. Dindinger, Pittsburgh.
Andrew Harcum, Pittsburgh.
A. M. Harrison, Pittsburgh.
R. S. Harvey, Pittsburgh.
Miss Catherine M. Henry, Pittsburgh.
Miss Pearl Hollis, Pittsburgh.
J. S. Jordan, Pittsburgh.
Simon F. Loeb, Pittsburgh.
Jno. P. McAndress, Pittsburgh.
Frank B. Miller, Pittsburgh.
Edward J. Ohl, Pittsburgh.
N. O. Patterson, Pittsburgh.
W. J. Snodgrass, Pittsburgh.
David Stonecipher, Pittsburgh.
S. H. Jackson, Wilkinsburg.
William M. Weill, McKeesport.
Miss M. C. Young, Duquesne.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

John Francis Graff, Jr., Kittanning.

BEAVER COUNTY.

James A. Finigan, Frankfort Springs.
John F. Maloney, Ambridge.

BERKS COUNTY.

Miss Eleanor C. Cupp, Reading.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Mrs. Mame Hartzell, Richlandtown.

BUTLER COUNTY.

William Humphrey, Portersville.
Victor A. Barnhart, Evansburg.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

I. N. Rodkey, Spangler.
Ray Patton Smith, Johnstown.

CENTRE COUNTY.

Clement Dale, Bellefonte.

CHESTER COUNTY.

John W. Pratt, Kennett Square.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

W. D. Dukeman, Cooper Township.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

J. Harvey Line, Carlisle.

ELK COUNTY.

J. M. Haas, St. Marys.

ERIE COUNTY.

J. E. Reed, Erie.
J. M. Sherwin, Erie.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Alfonso Basilone, Connellsville.
Miss Bertha Cunningham, Connellsville.
Miss Margaret A. McGivern, Uniontown.
Jos. Snyder, Dunbar Township.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Aaron H. Deardorff, Waynesboro.

INDIANA COUNTY.

Miss Ida G. Murray, Glen Campbell.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Judson E. Harney, Scranton.
Miss Margaret V. Hopkins, Scranton.
Thomas C. Jay, Scranton.
Preston Badger, Jermyn.
Clayton Curtis, Carbondale Township.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Miss Sue M. Stroh, Manheim.
John N. Hetrick, Lancaster.
Willis G. Kendig, Lancaster.
Miss Mary H. Senft, Columbia.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

H. E. Fisher, Hazleton.
Miss Frances Sippel, Hazleton.
F. C. Mosier, Hazleton.
Miss Cora D. Campbell, Wilkes-Barre.
G. W. Reynolds, Wilkes-Barre.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

C. W. Catlin, Port Allegany.

MERCER COUNTY.

John Kelly, Stoneboro.

MIFFLIN COUNTY.

John T. Wilson, Union Township.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

John Durante, Norristown.
G. Carroll Hoover, Norristown.
John Lauro, Norristown.
Casper Puche, Norristown.

MONTOUR COUNTY.

Charles V. Ammerman, Danville.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

John R. Chidsey, Easton.
W. Bion Fritchman, Freemansburg.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Miss Mazie C. Wary, Shamokin.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

C. Ridgway Briggs, Philadelphia.
Frederick W. Cassidy, Jr., Philadelphia.
Samuel M. Citron, Philadelphia.
Joseph P. Daly, Philadelphia.
Miss Elizabeth W. Doak, Philadelphia.
George A. Ford, Philadelphia.
Miss Esther L. Fox, Philadelphia.
Louis J. Gandolfo, Philadelphia.
John W. Graham, Philadelphia.
Israel Hecht, Philadelphia.
Wm. F. Henshaw, Philadelphia.
Miss Mary L. Iredell, Philadelphia.
Samuel Lerman, Philadelphia.
Jas. J. McCann, Philadelphia.
Geo. McKeown, Philadelphia.
Joseph G. Magee, Jr., Philadelphia.
Thomas J. Minnick, Jr., Philadelphia.
Miss Ada C. Nesper, Philadelphia.
Thomas J. O'Rourke, Philadelphia.
Anthony D. Pashuck, Philadelphia.
Geo. B. Reading, Philadelphia.
W. Alexander Robinson, Philadelphia.
Pasquale Ruggiero, Philadelphia.
William E. Stokes, Philadelphia.
I. M. Strauss, Philadelphia.
Albert E. Thompson, Philadelphia.
Harpur M. Tobin, Philadelphia.
W. Wallace Todd, Philadelphia.
Alexander Tuholske, Philadelphia.
Errol White, Philadelphia.
Percival S. Woodin, Philadelphia.
Joseph M. Wooley, Philadelphia.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Gmitro Kapitila, McAdoo.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Robert E. Ross, Addison.

UNION COUNTY.

Miss Kathryn M. Crowl, Lewisburg.

WARREN COUNTY.

Miss Kate Hazeltine, Warren.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

S. W. Bierer, Greensburg.
Stanley E. Cook, Greensburg.

YORK COUNTY.

Peter L. Fortenbaugh, Goldsboro.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

John Fedoroco, West Berwick.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 12, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ADAMS COUNTY.

C. Clark Brown, New Oxford, March 25, 1917.
William L. Meals, Gettysburg, March 25, 1917.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Chas. H. Stevenson, Coraopolis, March 17, 1917.
Mrs. Emma L. Vandermast, Pittsburgh, March 18, 1917.
F. G. Harrison, McKeesport, March 19, 1917.
Vincent F. Sisca, Sharpsburg, March 19, 1917.
S. H. Church, Pittsburgh, March 23, 1917.
S. L. Dunlap, Pittsburgh, March 23, 1917.
Ernest Roy Abbott, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
W. F. Ames, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Wm. B. Anderson, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss G. D. Berkebile, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
John C. Burrey, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
George J. Campbell, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Lawrence G. Carlin, Pittsburgh, March 25 1917.
O. F. Cashdollar, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
J. Roy Dickie, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss N. M. Gaertner, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Jas. R. Geddes, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Frank A. Hannan, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
David A. Hardie, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Marie A. Heil, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Charles W. Hogg, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Caroline E. Householder, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Jennie Jones, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Geo. A. Kinley, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Ida Kremer, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
O. A. Lappe, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
S. W. McGinness, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
C. T. Marsh, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
H. Torrey Melhuish, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
M. Mendel, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
W. A. Morton, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
A. D. Murray, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
H. W. Nestle, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Francis O'Halloran, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
C. C. Rinehart, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Victor Slone, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Margaret M. Smith, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Chris Spring, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Sue E. Stauffer, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
W. A. Suckling, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
W. R. Thomas, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
J. L. Trefaller, Jr., Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Philip Green, Bridgeville, March 25, 1917.
John C. McCloskey, East Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Chas. T. Carter, Glassport, March 25, 1917.
Henry Wegener, Greentree, March 25, 1917.
Miss Anna B. Perkins, Homestead, March 25, 1917.
H. E. Corbin, McKeesport, March 25, 1917.
Miss Grace B. Finney, McKeesport, March 25, 1917.
Miss Helen M. Griffin, McKeesport, March 25, 1917.
DeVeaux H. Reed, McKeesport, March 25, 1917.
Frank A. Power, North Braddock, March 25, 1917.
Carl H. Frey, Oakmont, March 25, 1917.
C. B. Yothers, Pitcairn, March 25, 1917.
Russell H. Ward, Patton Township, March 25, 1917.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

K. G. Fleming, Kittanning, March 25, 1917.
Julius Steiner, Ford City, March 25, 1917.
R. B. McKee, Freeport, March 25, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Ernest W. Martsolf, New Brighton, March 25, 1917.
C. Roy Kerr, Ambridge, March 25, 1917.
W. K. Hart, Jr., Midland, March 25, 1917.
W. C. Rice, Midland, March 25, 1917.
Otto M. Solkovy, Aliquippa, March 25, 1917.
C. D. Shumaker, Conway, March 25, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

Geo. W. Bear, Hamburg, March 19, 1917.
Henry H. Hernan, Reading, March 25, 1917.
George M. Miller, Reading, March 25, 1917.
Miss Mary E. Stauffer, Reading, March 25, 1917.
George E. Thomas, Reading, March 25, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Charles J. McCullough, Altoona, March 18, 1917.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Mrs. Jennie F. Cleveland, Canton, March 18, 1917.
J. H. Kelley, Troy, March 25, 1917.
J. I. Morley, Athens, March 25, 1917.
Miss Mollie W. Rice, Rome, March 25, 1917.
H. Stanley Winlack, Sayre, March 25, 1917.
H. H. Mercereau, Sayre, March 27, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Wm. T. Wright, Newtown, March 13, 1917.
Miss Helen Worthington, Langhorne, March 25, 1917.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Lester C. Patterson, Butler, March 29, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

William F. Dill, Barnesboro, March 25, 1917.
John R. Musser, Barnesboro, March 25, 1917.
Theodore Rendessy, Johnstown, March 25, 1917.
John Strizak, Blacklick Township, March 25, 1917.
Thomas C. Evans, Portage, March 26, 1917.
Geo. H. Cole, Johnstown, March 27, 1917.
James A. Graham, Johnstown, March 29, 1917.
Hugh J. Holzman, Johnstown, March 29, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

A. A. Ziegenfus, Palmerton, March 19, 1917.
Payson C. Bittner, Palmerton, March 25, 1917.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Paul C. Stansbury, Coatesville, March 25, 1917.
James A. Brown, Jr., West Chester, March 25, 1917.
C. Raymond Young, West Chester, March 25, 1917.
Louis Cutillo, Phoenixville, March 25, 1917.
Mrs. Mary Maxton, Easttown Township, March 25, 1917.
John W. Kenney, West Vincent Township, March 25, 1917.
Arthur R. Yearsley, Coatesville, March 29, 1917.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

W. P. Cornely, Bigler Township, March 25, 1917.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Mrs. Edna E. Hughes, Lock Haven, March 25, 1917.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Harry S. Barton, Bloomsburg, March 25, 1917.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

J. P. Eckels, Conneautsville, March 25, 1917.
George Eldred, Titusville, March 25, 1917.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Miss Emily J. Hamilton, Shippensburg, March 25, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

H. W. Crouse, Paxtang, March 13, 1917.
Edwin C. Dewey, Harrisburg, March 25, 1917.
Lucian B. Notestine, Harrisburg, March 25, 1917.
Miss Helen Rohrer, Harrisburg, March 25, 1917.
P. E. Irwin, Middletown, March 25, 1917.
William F. Housman, Steelton, March 25, 1917.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Miss Gertrude Howard, Chester, March 25, 1917.
Miss Ellen W. Foley, Media, March 25, 1917.
Harry P. Ottey, Media, March 25, 1917.
William B. Marker, Chester, March 27, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

John B. Eichenlaub, Erie, March 15, 1917.
Frank C. Brown, Erie, March 25, 1917.
W. S. Carroll, Erie, March 25, 1917.
Henry R. Jeffs, Erie, March 25, 1917.
M. L. Page, Erie, March 25, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Doimo Basich, Masontown, March 25, 1917.
Joseph Rafael, Masontown, March 25, 1917.
Herman Rosenman, Uniontown, March 25, 1917.
Miss Cora B. Wyncoop, Uniontown, March 25, 1917.
James W. Stevenson, Jefferson Township, March 27, 1917.
Will S. Anderson, Connellsville, March 29, 1917.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Donald S. Lemaster, Chambersburg, March 25, 1917.
C. J. Zullinger, Chambersburg, March 25, 1917.

GREENE COUNTY.

Harry F. Bailey, Waynesburg, March 25, 1917.
John M. Livingood, Graysville, March 25, 1917.
J. S. Kennedy, Mt. Morris, March 29, 1917.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

George R. Carter, Rockhill, March 25, 1917.

INDIANA COUNTY.

W. C. Chapman, Indiana, March 25, 1917.
John B. DeSantis, Indiana, March 25, 1917.
Cataldo Valenti, Creekside, March 26, 1917.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

W. Blair Adams, Punxsutawney, March 25, 1917.
Joseph Dennison, Punxsutawney, March 25, 1917.
Mrs. Elizabeth Winter, Punxsutawney, March 25, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

George Morrow, Scranton, March 17, 1917.
A. P. Benjamin, Scranton, March 25, 1917.
John J. Henningan, Scranton, March 25, 1917.
Charles A. Keegan, Scranton, March 25, 1917.
Miss Marie Loftus, Carbondale, March 25, 1917.
Charles C. Weeks, Carbondale, March 25, 1917.
C. A. Diefenderfer, Moosic, March 27, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

H. B. Becker, Terre Hill, March 25, 1917.
T. W. K. Deitzel, Columbia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Florence I. Mentzer, Lancaster, March 25, 1917.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

S. Y. Douds, Ellwood City, March 13, 1917.
Adolph Green, New Castle, March 13, 1917.
Norman A. Martin, New Castle, March 25, 1917.

LEBANON COUNTY.

Miss Maude P. Maguire, Lebanon, March 17, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Mrs. Margaret H. Magee, Allentown, March 25, 1917.
Miss Helen R. Oberly, Allentown, March 25, 1917.
Miss Edna A. Seiberling, Allentown, March 25, 1917.
Robert W. Hankee, Slatington, March 25, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Martha E. Woelfel, Freeland, March 25, 1917.
Valentine Pfromm, Hazleton, March 25, 1917.
Anthony C. Stangert, Nanticoke, March 25, 1917.
Frank E. Shiffer, Pittston, March 25, 1917.
Will A. Shiffer, Pittston, March 25, 1917.
W. N. Thompson, Pittston, March 25, 1917.
Miss Grace M. Blewitt, Wilkes-Barre, March 25, 1917.
Miss Mary Lambert, Wilkes-Barre, March 25, 1917.
R. H. Morrish, Wilkes-Barre, March 25, 1917.
Victor S. Robinson, Wilkes-Barre, March 25, 1917.
Joseph L. Ferrarini, Pittston, March 27, 1917.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Rodgers K. Foster, Williamsport, March 24, 1917.
Harry C. Fithian, Williamsport, March 25, 1917.
H. R. Clarke, Muncy, March 25, 1917.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

Emile Stenger, Kane, March 25, 1917.
Frank J. Kelly, Norwich Township, March 25, 1917.

MERCER COUNTY.

William R. Stillings, Farrell, March 25, 1917.
John J. Donaldson, Greenville, March 25, 1917.
Miss Louise Spears, Grove City, March 25, 1917.
G. E. Brockway, Sharon, March 25, 1917.
W. W. Cartwright, Sharon, March 25, 1917.
Frank Gilbert, Sharon, March 25, 1917.
John S. Leslie, Sharon, March 25, 1917.

MONROE COUNTY.

Frank B. Michaels, Stroudsburg, March 25, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Rein C. Freed, Souderton, March 19, 1917.
Harry J. Bahr, Pottstown, March 25, 1917.
I. K. B. Hansell, Ambler, March 25, 1917.
Richard T. Lewis, Lower Marion Township, March 25, 1917.
Oscar L. Schwartz, Norristown, March 25, 1917.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Charles H. Cashner, South Bethlehem, March 25, 1917.
C. Daniel Friebely, South Bethlehem, March 13, 1917.
Miss Helen M. Ackerman, Easton, March 25, 1917.
Frank G. Lyons, Easton, March 25, 1917.
Samuel W. Nevin, Easton, March 25, 1917.
John S. Noble, Jr., Easton,, March 25, 1917.
Joseph Y. Strohman, Easton, March 25, 1917.
Charles G. Remmel, Northampton, March 25, 1917.
Petro Guzzetto, Easton, March 29, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Miss Elsie I. Culp, Sunbury, March 25, 1917.
J. Grant Kehler, Mount Carmel, March 25, 1917.
Frederick W. Magrady, Mount Carmel, March 25, 1917.
H. A. Reynolds, Turbotville, March 25, 1917.
John Tressler, Washington Township, March 25, 1917.

PERRY COUNTY.

Frank P. Whitmer, Newport, March 25, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Harry J. Clifton, Philadelphia, March 16, 1917.
Linford B. Cassel, Philadelphia, March 17, 1917.
Frank N. Jardine, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
Albert C. Richter, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
Charles Shoemaker, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
Cornelius W. VanArtsdalen, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
Miss A. Florence Yerger, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
Vernon Stanton, Philadelphia, March 24, 1917.
Charles C. Aeugle, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Walter V. Ashby, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George Beck, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Louis Berman, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Samuel Bernstein, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
John Birch, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss M. E. Bohn, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Charles A. Bradley, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
C. P. Curt Bretschneider, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Howard Burtt, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Courtland Butler, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George A. Carey, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George W. Deane, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Abraham Dessen, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Edward J. Devereux, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Joseph J. Dudley, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Eugene A. Lissing, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frank B. Ellis, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Thomas H. Evoy, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
G. Earle Eyster, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Parker W. Failor, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Morris Feldman, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Samuel Fried, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Ralph Sayre Frisbie, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Theodore B. Fryer, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Isaac E. Gealt, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
William Ginsburg, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
James J. Grady, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Samuel Green, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George H. Haberbush, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Herbert Hargrave, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
H. G. Hoover, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Lewis T. Hubbs, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Robert C. Hutchinson, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Samuel M. Israeli, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Arnold Katz, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Charles Keinath, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
William Kuhn, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Grover C. Ladner, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Harry B. Ladner, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Joseph Langman, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
J. Walter Lauer, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Walter E. Lawrence, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Jacob Levick, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
William D. Lindsay, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Thomas Lowry, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Henry R. Luffberry, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Regina E. G. McCann, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Romuald T. McDonnell, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Mary A. McLaughlin, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Mary A. McSorley, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George C. MacKinnon, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Harry G. Malloy, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Alice S. Marsh, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Besse A. Miller, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Harry Muhlschlegel, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Louis S. Neidig, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
John H. Oler, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Morris M. Paretts, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George L. Parker, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Nicola Perrella, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Louis D. Peterson, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frank S. Petrillo, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
James J. Rahilly, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
I. Smith Raspin, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Francis Rawle, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
John M. Reeve, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Charles S. Righter, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Harry T. Rotenbury, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frank Salasin, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Charles Henry Scott, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
James F. Shrader, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
E. Irving Shuttleworth, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Mollie Silver, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Edward J. Simons, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Clifford B. Smith, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
John I. Somers, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Asher Steinberg, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Charles G. Super, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Lorna D. Toboldt, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Alexander Turkington, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Thomas J. Turkington, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Simon J. Waldman, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
David Watson, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Palmer Watson, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Louise E. Weber, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Richard Weglein, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Clarence N. Williams, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Isaac H. Wright, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Jacob Zaresky, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Anthony J. Zeits, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frank Cerceo, Philadelphia, March 26, 1917.
Frank G. Grier, Philadelphia, March 26, 1917.
Sydney Young, Philadelphia, March 26, 1917.
Bernhard Englander, Philadelphia, March 27, 1917.
Charles Bentz, Philadelphia, March 29, 1917.
Walter W. Hutzel, Philadelphia, March 29, 1917.
Leonard Rice, Philadelphia, March 29, 1917.

POTTER COUNTY.

M. N. Johnson, Austin, March 25, 1917.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

William H. Clements, Garrett, March 25, 1917.
Robert C. Heffley, Berlin, March 25, 1917.
Robt. H. Johnston, Salisbury, March 25, 1917.
Miss Helen S. Maurer, Boswell, March 25, 1917.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Miss Rebecca Benedict, Montrose, March 25, 1917.
Wm. A. Titsworth, Montrose, March 25, 1917.
W. J. Maxey, Forest City, March 25, 1917.

TIOGA COUNTY.

B. H. Parkhurst, Elkland, March 25, 1917.

UNION COUNTY.

E. B. Riehl, Lewisburg, March 25, 1917.

VENANGO COUNTY.

T. L. Blair, Oil City, March 25, 1917.

WARREN COUNTY.

L. M. Kinneer, Tidioute, March 25, 1917.
Miss Lois M. Rowley, Clarendon, March 25, 1917.
Zachary T. Weaver, Clarendon, March 25, 1917.
Miss Leah E. Crouse, Warren, March 26, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

A. V. Campbell, McDonald, March 25, 1917.
C. K. Frye, Bentleyville, March 25, 1917.
John B. Myers, California, March 25, 1917.
S. B. Hayes, Washington, March 25, 1917.
George C. Leslie, Washington, March 25, 1917.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Miss Theresa A. Gerety, Honesdale, March 25, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

E. E. Huffman, New Alexandria, March 25, 1917.
J. H. McIntyre, Parnassus, March 25, 1917.
M. H. Mainwaring, New Kensington, March 27, 1917.
Joseph J. Steiner, New Kensington, March 29, 1917.

WYOMING COUNTY.

O. H. Allen, Meshoppen, March 25, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

Jacob E. Keister, Goldsboro, March 13, 1917.
Paul E. Lau, Hanover, March 25, 1917.
Ray C. Steele, Springgarden Township, March 25, 1917.
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PROMOTION OF UNIFORMITY OF LEGISLATION IN THE UNITED STATES.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor herewith to transmit a copy of the Biennial Report of the Pennsylvania Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

(For Report see Appendix.)

REPORT OF THE BRANCH CAPITOL COMMISSION.

He also laid before the Senate report of the Branch Capitol Commission, in compliance with the provisions of the Joint Resolution of the General Assembly, passed at its session in 1915, entitled "A Joint Resolution providing for the Branch Capitol Commission.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the report be printed in the Appendix to the Legislative Journal.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

(For report see appendix.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives, as follows:

House Bill No. 3 (Senate Bill No. 389), entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 104 (Senate Bill No. 390), entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

House Bill No. 260 (Senate Bill No. 391), entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 111 (Senate Bill No. 392), entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 265 (Senate Bill No. 393), entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 266 (Senate Bill No. 394), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act, approved the fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register, clerks and employes in the office of Register of Wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register of wills of said counties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 363 (Senate Bill No. 395), entitled

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 420 (Senate Bill No. 396), entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a Commission of Centennial Affairs to aid in celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler Butler County and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Exposition Affairs.

House Bill No. 432 Senate Bill No. 397), entitled

An Act to amend Section 1 of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants, advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, shall be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine, so as to cause advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, to be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, or more, instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants, as required by the first act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 493 (Senate Bill No. 398), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 618 (Senate Bill No. 399), entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

House Bill No. 724 (Senate Bill No. 400), entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 515 (Senate Bill No. 401), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 516 (Senate Bill No. 402), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control, and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees, commonly called the chestnut-tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof; and making an appropriation therefore," and the amendment to the same, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirteen).

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 517 (Senate Bill No. 403), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. (518 Senate Bill No. 404), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 519 (Senate Bill No. 405), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 520 (House Bill No. 406), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 521 (Senate Bill No. 407), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 522 (Senate Bill No. 408), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 523 (Senate Bill No. 409), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 524 (Senate Bill No. 410), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 525 (Senate Bill No. 411), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 526 (Senate Bill No. 412), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 527 (Senate Bill No. 413), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 528 (Senate Bill No. 414), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 529 (Senate Bill No. 415), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts of justices of record and not of record.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 530 (Senate Bill No. 416), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to estates of decedents.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 531 (Senate Bill No. 417), entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens, and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 532 (Senate Bill No. 418), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to dentistry.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 533 (Senate Bill No. 419), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to domestic animals.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 534 (Senate Bill No. 420), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 535 (Senate Bill No. 421), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 536 ((Senate Bill No. 422), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 537 (Senate Bill No. 423), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 538 (Senate Bill No. 424), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 539 (Senate Bill No. 425), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 540 (Senate Bill No. 426), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 541 (Senate Bill No. 427), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to municipalities.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 542 (Senate Bill No. 428), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 543 (Senate Bill No. 429), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 544 (Senate Bill No. 430), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 545 (Senate Bill No. 431), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 546 (Senate Bill No. 432), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 547 (Senate Bill No. 433), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 548 (Senate Bill No. 434), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 549 (Senate Bill No. 435), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 550 (Senate Bill No. 436), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 551 (Senate Bill No. 437), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 552 (Senate Bill No. 438), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 554 (Senate Bill No. 439), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 555 (Senate Bill No. 440), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 556 (Senate Bill No. 441), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 557 (Senate Bill No. 442), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 558 (Senate Bill No. 443), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 559 (Senate Bill No. 444), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 560 (Senate Bill No. 445), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 561 (Senate Bill No. 446), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen), entitled "A Supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act to prevent the destruction of timber,' and supplementary to the act, entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods,' passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 562 (Senate Bill No. 447), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue so derived, for school and road purposes." in so far as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 563 (Senate Bill No. 448), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 564 (Senate Bill No. 449), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 565 (Senate Bill No. 450), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads, of trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 566 (Senate Bill No. 451), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade regulations.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 567 (Senate Bill No. 452), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 568 (Senate Bill No. 453), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 569 (Senate Bill No. 454), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to servants.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 570 (Senate Bill No. 455), entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin or Adams Counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 571 (Senate Bill No. 456), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 572 (Senate Bill No. 457), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 573 (Senate Bill No. 458), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to oaths and affirmations.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 574 (Senate Bill No. 459), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 575 (Senate Bill No. 460), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public accounts.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 576 (Senate Bill No. 461), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public offenders and employes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 577 (Senate Bill No. 462), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 578 (Senate Bill No. 463), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 579 (Senate Bill No. 464), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 580 (Senate Bill No. 465), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 581 (Senate Bill No. 466), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 582 (Senate Bill No. 467), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Game and Fisheries, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing, of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth; and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, 1915 (P. L. 644).

Also from the Committee on Mines and Mining re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 244, entitled

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that prosecutions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened; and providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of the violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act, any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations; and providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Corporations, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 232 (House Bill No. 85), entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco, or both cigars and tobacco, or for buying, selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco, or both, or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk, to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and warehouses for storage of such articles, and to have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Also from the Committee on Corporations reported as amended Senate Bill No. 242, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the 9th day of June, 1881, entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing," by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for; crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth; and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the 29th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 468, entitled

An Act to enable two or more boroughs that are contiguous or in close proximity, to be united and to become one city, wherever each of said boroughs shall have heretofore voted or shall hereafter vote to become a city of the third class, under laws now enacted or which may hereafter be enacted and wherever each of said boroughs has duly received or shall hereafter duly receive letters patent constituting it a city of the third class, but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed after the granting of such letters patent for the holding of a municipal election; providing for the consequences of such consolidation the government of such consolidated city, the payment of the indebtedness of each of the united territories and the enforcement of debts and claims due to and from each; and fixing the jurisdiction over the said consolidated city in the Courts of the county in which the majority of its inhabitants shall reside.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 469, entitled

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of automobiles, motor trucks or other motor vehicles, or of any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof, to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 470, entitled

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg, Mississippi, for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in June and July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee, to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park, October sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 471, entitled

An Act to authorize the payment by corporations to their directors of compensation for services rendered by them.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 472, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties, and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turn-pikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. WEAVER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 473, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Latrobe Hospital, Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 474, entitled

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. BEALES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 475, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 476, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 477, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 478, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 479, entitled

A Joint Resolution to provide for the erection of a monument in the public square of the Borough of Gettysburg commemorative of the Battle of Gettysburg; authorizing the Governor to appoint a commission; conferring certain powers and duties on the commission, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 480, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 481, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations; and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 482, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 483, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 484, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of a State Home for persons suffering with Incurable Diseases, authorizing the purchase of a site and the erection thereon and the equipment of the necessary buildings, providing for the admission of persons thereto and for the government and management of said institution, and making an appropriation to carry out the purposes of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 485, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Home for Infants, located at four thousand six hundred and eighteen Westminster Avenue, Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 486, entitled

An Act to provide for the establishment, operation and management of a Bureau to be known as the Womans' Rural Bureau in the Department of Agriculture; to abolish the office of Farm Adviser of Homes, to merge the duties of said office with those of the Bureau hereby created and to appropriate to its use the sum of thirty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 487, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester, for the cost of repairing a certain section of state-aid highway, and regulating the payments herein provided for.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 488, entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the 11th day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 489, entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 490, entitled

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 491, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three Directors of the Poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 492, entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania, at Polk, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. HALDEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 493, entitled

An Act amending an act "Re-organizing the Attorney General's Department, designating the officers and employes thereof and fixing their salaries, and making an appropriation therefor to the end of the fiscal year," approved May sixth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 494, entitled

An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas to order the sale, in certain cases, to transfer to remainder interests, of real property devised by will to a person or persons for life with a vested remainder to others.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. W. W. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 495, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Luke's Homeopathic Hospital of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 496, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Evangelical Home for the Aged, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 497, entitled

An Act amending sections four and fifty-one of an act, entitled "An Act to create a Bureau of Building Inspection, and to regulate the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings and party walls in cities of the first class, approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini 1899; by enlarging the powers of the building inspectors as to tearing down or rebuilding dangerous buildings, walls, ceilings, floors, or other parts of premises; providing for notice to the owners thereof and services of such notice; and prescribing the practice and procedure with respect to the payment of the costs and charges for tearing down or rebuilding dangerous buildings, walls, ceilings, floors or other parts of premises, and making the amount thereof a lien on such premises.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 498, entitled

An Act providing for the acquisition by the State of the statistical library of the late Frank L. Neall, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 499, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Associated Charities and Humane Society of Lackawanna County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 500, entitled

An Act permitting the release on parole of insane persons committed to the institutions of the Commonwealth, and regulating such release, and the appointment of parole officers.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 501, entitled

An Act providing for the employment and compensation of Indigent Insane Inmates in Institutions of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 502, entitled

An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth, to certify the proceedings upon which commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 503, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April sixth, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one," approved the sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 504, entitled

An Act providing for the joint requisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 505, entitled

An Act directing the Commission appointed under the act of April 23, 1915, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a Commission of three persons, learned in the law, to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates, and making an appropriation," to publish preliminary drafts of bills prepared by said Commission codifying the law of decedents' estates; providing for the distribution thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 506, entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved June second, 1915, entitled "An Act regulating policies of insurance against liability arising under Article three of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915; providing for the regulation of premium rates thereof and providing penalties for the violation thereof so as to provide an agency for the application of a system of merit rating.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 507, entitled

An Act to provide reserves for outstanding liability losses of insurance companies transacting the business of insuring any one against loss or damage resulting from accident to or injury suffered by an employee or other person for which the person insured is liable and also for outstanding losses incurred under the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915, and repealing existing laws.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 508, entitled

An Act regulating the fees of Notaries Public.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 509, entitled

An Act making it unlawful to state in a deed or writing conveying lands, tenements or hereditaments a greater sum than the actual or real consideration and fixing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 510, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Lewistown Hospital of Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 511, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway certain sections of public road in the County of Perry.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 512, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Visiting Nurses Association of Wilkes-Barre.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CROW (for Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 513, entitled

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the duties and powers of said office.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also (for Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 514, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Harrisburg Polyclinic Hospital, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also (for Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also (for Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 516, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also (for Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 517, entitled

An Act entitled an act authorizing and regulating the construction of a bridge over the Susquehanna river between Millersburg and Crow's Landing and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 518, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of a Pennsylvania State Building in the City of Philadelphia; author-

izing the purchase or lease of a site; providing for plans and specifications and for test borings and surveys for such building; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 519, entitled

An Act to make an appropriation for the improvement of the maritime port facilities of the State of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia and providing for the expenditure thereof and for the appointment by the Governor of a competent engineer to assist and co-operate therein.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. BEALES AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEES.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair announces the appointment of the Senator from Adams, Mr. Beales, as a member of the following committees: Agriculture, Appropriations, City Passenger Railways, Congressional Apportionment, Corporations, Game and Fisheries, Insurance, Pensions and Gratuities, Public Roads and Highways, Railroads, Public Grounds and Buildings.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 19, on third reading, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

go over in its order.

THE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 110, entitled

An Act concerning transactions by banks and trust companies after twelve o'clock noon on Saturdays

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Beales,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Warner,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Washers,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sproul,	

NAYS—3.

Burke,	Daix,	McNichol,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 115, entitled

An Act to promote uniformity in all courts of record in issuing writs and process for the beginning of civil actions

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Washers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 139, as follows:

An Act relating to division fences in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class regulating the nature height materials and kind thereof defining the same and in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height except under a permit.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all suburban districts of cities of the first class whether the premises concerned in said districts be assessed at rural suburban or city rates wherever on improved premises a dwelling house has been or may be erected that is detached or semi-detached from the dwelling house on the adjoining premises and that is separated from the street on which it fronts by an intervening front yard lawn or space no partition or division fence between such adjoining improved premises shall be required on or along that part of the boundary line that extends from the building line of the said detached or semi-detached dwelling houses to the sidewalk or pavement Provided That nothing in this act shall prohibit any occupant or owner of any such premises from erecting a division fence on or along such part of said boundary line at his own cost and Provided that no such fence shall be more than four feet high without a permit therefor having been first obtained from the bureau of building inspection

Section 2 That in the districts named in section one hereof the division fence between adjoining improved premises required by law may be boards palisades pickets palings iron or wire or may be a wall of brick stone or concrete or may be a hedge or a combination of any of these styles and materials as the owners or occupants of the said adjoining improved premises may agree Provided that no such fence shall be more than four feet high without a permit therefor having been first obtained from the bureau of building inspection

Section 3 That if the owners or occupants of the said adjoining improved premises cannot agree upon the nature and style of the division fence required by law to divide their premises the bureau of building inspection on application of either of the parties concerned shall determine the same Provided that unless the owners or occupants otherwise agree the total cost of the fence so determined upon by the bureau of building inspection shall not exceed seventy-five cents per lineal foot and is to be borne equally between the parties and provided that where several premises adjoin in their rear or side the side line of a lot fronting upon another street or otherwise the owner or occupant of the latter lot shall not be required to have or pay for more than one style of fence on this boundary line and the division fence required in such case shall be of uniform style and materials throughout the length of the said lot And Provided that where by reason of its being located at a street corner the rear of one lot adjoins the side line of any lot the law shall remain as heretofore

Section 4 That owners or occupants of adjoining improved premises in said districts shall not be required to erect build plant keep or maintain any division fence whatever upon any part of their common boundary line if they agree to dispense with and be without the same

Section 5 That so much of section four of the act of March eleventh one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two that provided that "all partition fences dividing enclosed lands within the rural districts of the said city of Philadelphia shall be substantially made at least four feet six inches high and of sufficient rails or logs the bottom rail or log to be not more than eight inches above the ground and in the built-up portions of said city a tight board or palisade fence substantially built at least six feet high Provided the cost in the rural districts shall not exceed twelve cents per lineal foot and in the built-up portions of said city not exceeding twenty-five cents per lineal foot" that conflicts with the provisions of sections one two three and four hereof be and is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 140, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class except under a permit declaring certain fences a private nuisance and their erection a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Jones,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 148 on third reading, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 157, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Stewart,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Vare,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Warner,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Croft,	Jones,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—1.

Phipps,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 161, on third reading, entitled

An Act relative to the payment of deposits in banks or trust companies deposited in two names.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 196, on third reading, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteeen day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 205, as follows:

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia County State of Pennsylvania to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by virtue of the power vested in it by the Constitution of Pennsylvania does hereby authorize and allow Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of the fee for wholesale liquor license for premises Number nine hundred and nine South Street Seventh Ward City and County of Philadelphia as required by and paid by said Louis Gumbiner to Murrell Dobbins treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia on or about November twenty-first one thousand nine hundred and twelve in excess of or over and above the amount of and for said fee that was justly and legally due and payable together with legal interest on such excessive amount from the time of payment thereof Such suit shall be subject to the rules of pleading

practice evidence and appeal as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defence available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 210, as follows

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending laws in relation thereto" which reads as follows

"Section 4 The assessor shall make or cause to be made during the year of the triennial assessment for county purposes a full just equal and impartial assessment of all property real personal and mixed and all matters and things within the city subject by law to taxation for city purposes and a just and perfect list of all property exempt by law from taxation with a just valuation of the same With his assessments he shall return such dimensions description or quantity of each lot or parcel of land as will be sufficient to identify the same together with the number and kind of improvements In all cases they shall value the property at such sums as the same would in their judgment bring at a fair public sale thereof And it shall be the further duty of said assessor to return annually a list of all the male inhabitants over twenty-one years of age" be amended to read as follows

Section 4 The assessor shall make or cause to be made during the year of the triennial assessment for county purposes a full just equal and impartial assessment of all property real personal and mixed and all matters and things within the city subject by law to taxation for city purposes, and the assessment shall show such dimensions description or quantity of each lot or parcel of land as will be sufficient to identify the same together with the number and kind of improvements In all cases they shall value the property at such sums as the same would in their judgment bring at a fair public sale thereof In making such assessments the assessor shall classify all real estate in the city in such manner and upon such testimony as may be adduced before him so as to distinguish between the buildings on land and land exclusive of the buildings and certify to the council of said city the aggregate valuation of city property subject to taxation It shall be the duty of said council in determining the rate for the years one thousand nine hundred nineteen one thousand nine hundred and twenty and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one to assess a tax upon the buildings equal to seven-tenths of the highest rate of tax required to be assessed for those years and for the years one thousand nine hundred twenty-two one thousand nine hundred twenty-three and one thousand nine hundred twenty-four to assess a tax upon the buildings equal to six-tenths of the highest rate of tax required to be assessed for those years and for the year one thousand nine hundred twenty-five and for each year thereafter to assess a tax upon the buildings equal to five tenths of the highest rate of tax required to be assessed for the years one thousand nine hundred twenty-five and for each year thereafter respectively so that upon said classes of real estate of said city there shall in any year be two rates of taxation And it shall be the further duty of said assessors to return annually a list of all the male inhabitants over twenty-one years of age

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McKee,	Vare,
Beales,	Graff, J. F.,	Nason,	Warner,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Patton,	Wasbers,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Craig,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem
Crow,	Jones,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Daix,	Lynch,	Stewart,	
Endsley,	Martin,	Tompkins,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 212, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

And said bill having been read at length the third time and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Vare,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Warner,
Craig,	Homsher,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Jones,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Sproul,	

NAYS—3.

Buckman,	Smith, R. E.,	Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 213, on third reading, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 217, entitled

An Act preventing the manufacture sale or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens lead arsenates lime-sulphur compounds and other insecticides and fungicides and regulating traffic therein providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act to authorize counties cities boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 229 (House Bill No. 32), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 259, as follows:

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf a resident of the Borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Lee Greenleaf a resident of the Borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania is authorized to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Lee Greenleaf by the Commonwealth by reason of injuries received in an accident which occurred on the State Highway leading from Williamsport to Ralston in Lycoming County Pennsylvania on the fifteenth day of October Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and sixteen

Section 2 The suit hereby authorized shall be subject to the same rules of pleading and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 262, entitled

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Salus,	Warner,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Crow,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—2.

Jones, Lynch,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 265, entitled

An Act authorizing Ida Collins a resident of Somerset county in her own right and in the right of her minor children to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset county against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 70, as follows

An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" the amendments intending to prevent any alteration in the standard subjects of common school education or any lowering of the nature thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sixteen hundred and eleventh section of the act approved the eighteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1611 Teachers in the public elementary schools in this Commonwealth shall under the direction of the proper superintendents of schools grade and classify the pupils in their schools so that they may pursue the courses of study herein provided for and all pupils found proficient may be promoted twice each year" is amended to read as follows

Section 1611 Teachers in the public elementary schools in this Commonwealth shall under the direction of the proper superintendents of schools grade and classify the pupils in their schools so that they may pursue the courses of study herein provided for and all pupils found proficient may be promoted twice each year Provided that in establishing the grade of proficiency in the several courses of study surplus credit in any one branch or course in which the pupil is proficient shall not be transferred to another course or branch of study in which that pupil may be deficient nor shall excellence in any one branch be used by a teacher to atone for a pupil's deficiency in another branch No recommendation for promotion shall be based upon proficiency in any branch of art science history or education that is not taught within the school in which the promotion is to be made nor shall proficiency in any such branch however complete be substituted for proficiency in spelling reading writing arithmetic geography English grammar and history of the United States and that of Pennsylvania

Section 2 That Section sixteen hundred and twelve of the said Act of May eighteenth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven which reads as follows

"Section 1612 In school districts of the second third and fourth class every teacher in the public elementary or high schools shall make and keep a proper record of the work and progress of each pupil and at the end of each term shall include in the last monthly report required from such teacher by the provisions of this act the grade of proficiency of each pupil and his standing in the several branches pursued by him in the said school as well as the conduct of such pupil together with such remommendations for his promotion or retention for additional preparation as such teacher deems just and proper and until his record and report as herein required shall have been examined and approved by the district superintendent supervising principal or the secretary of the board of school directors no teacher shall be paid any salary for the last month of his term" is amended to read as follows

Section 1612 In school districts of the second third and fourth class every teacher in the public elementary or high schools shall make and keep a proper record of the work and progress of each pupil and at the end of each term shall include in the last monthly report required from such teacher by the provisions of this act the grade of proficiency of each pupil and his standing in the several branches pursued by him in the said school as well as the conduct of such pupil together with such recommendations for his promotion or retention for additional preparation as such teacher deems just and proper Provided that in grading the pupil in the several branches pursued by him surplus credit in any one branch in which the pupil may be expert shall not be transferred to another branch in which that pupil is deficient nor shall excellence in any one branch be used by a teacher to atone for a pupil's deficiency in another branch No recommendation for promotion shall be based upon proficiency in any branch of art science history or education that is not taught within the school in which the promotion is to be made nor shall proficiency in any such branch however complete be substituted for proficiency in spelling reading writing arithmetic geography English grammar and history of the United States and that of Pennsylvania until the teacher's record and report as herein required shall have been examined and approved by the district superintendent supervising principal or the secretary of the board of school directors no teacher shall be paid any salary for the last month of his term

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws page seventy-nine)

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred and three which reads as follows

"Section 1 That whenever any corporation organized for the purpose of mining for petroleum or other products and marketing the same and owning real estate in any county of this Commonwealth shall have been in existence for the period of thirty years or longer and for the period of ten years or more prior to the passage of this act shall not have been engaged in the business of such mining nor have earned and distributed to the share holders thereof any dividends out of its net earnings it shall be the duty of the courts of common pleas of any county in which such real estate may be situated upon the petition of the owner or owners of not less than one third of the capital stock of any such corporation and other personal notice to other known stockholders resident within the county and notice to all others interested by advertisement in at least one newspaper of general circulation published within the county for not less than two months if the facts alleged in the petition be not denied or if denied shall be found by the court to be true to order and decree a dissolution of such corporation and to order and direct the sale of the real estate thereof by a trustee to be appointed for that purpose and to decree distribution of the proceeds of such sale or sales to and among creditors or shareholders entitled thereto in the same manner that the real estate of other dissolved corporations is now sold and the proceeds thereof distributed under the discretion of said courts" be amended to read as follows

"Section 1 That whenever any corporation organized for the purpose of mining for petroleum or other products and marketing the same and owning real estate in any county of this Commonwealth shall have been in existence for the period of thirty years or longer and for the period of ten years or more prior to the passage of this act shall not have been engaged in the business of such mining nor have earned and distributed to the shareholders thereof any dividends out of its net earnings it shall be the duty of the courts of common pleas of any county in which such real estate may be situated upon the petition of the owner or owners of capital stock of any such corporation and after personal notice to other known stockholders resident within the county and notice to all others interested by advertisement in at least one newspaper of general circulation and in the legal periodical if any designated by the rules of court for publication of legal notices published within the county for not less than two months if the facts alleged in the petition be not denied or if denied shall be found by the court to be true to order and decree a dissolution of such corportion and to order and direct the sale of the real estate thereof by a trustee to be appointed for that purpose and to decree distribution of the proceeds of such sale or sales to and among creditors or shareholders entitled thereto in the same manner that the real estate of other dissolved corporations is now sold and the proceeds thereof distributed under the discretion of said courts"

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move to amend Section 1, page 2, line 16, by striking out the word "other" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "after."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws page seventy-nine)

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move to amend the title by adding at the end thereof the following: "by providing that the petition praying for dissolution may be by any owner or owners of capital stock; and providing for publication of notice in the proper legal periodical."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 234 (House Bill No. 162), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with.

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 236 (House Bill No. 223) entitled,

An Act making an appropiration for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with.

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 268, as follows

An Act requiring borough councils township commissioners and supervisors and directors of school districts of the second third and fourth classes to file the auditor's report in prothonotary's office requiring county commissioners to furnish the prothonotary with a book for such purpose and fixing the fees of the prothonotary

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter the borough council township commissioners or supervisors and school directors as the case may be of every borough township and of every school district of the second third and fourth class of this Commonwealth shall file the reports of the auditors in the office of the prothonotary of the county in which such borough township or school district is located

Section 2 The county commissioners of every county shall at the expense of the county furnish the prothonotary with a book for the entry of said reports

Section 3 The prothonotary of each county shall enter in such book the auditors' reports as filed by the borough council township commissioners and supervisors and school directors and for each such entry shall receive a fee of two dollars ($2.00) to be paid by such borough township or school district

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 284 (House Bill No. 90), entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 345, as follows

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River and making an appropriation therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the word "bridge" wherever

used in this act shall mean any bridge over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York to cross which toll is charged except such bridges as are used exclusively for railroad or railway purposes and shall include the actual bridge the approaches thereto and all real and personal property including the franchise belonging to the owner or owners of such bridge used in the operation and maintenance of same

Section 2 The Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby constituted a commission to act in conjunction with a similar commission of the State of New York as a joint commission for the acquisition of the various bridges over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York

Section 3 The acquisition of said bridges may be either by purchase or by condemnation proceedings as said joint commission may deem most expedient The one-half of the cost of acquiring said bridges shall be paid by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania when the State of New York agrees to pay the other one-half of said cost

Section 4 The said joint commission as soon as conveniently may be after the passage of this act shall ascertain or estimate the value of each of such bridges and shall in writing give notice of such valuation to the respective owner or owners thereof Such notice shall contain an offer to purchase such bridge at the respective valuation

Section 5 In the event that the owner or owners of any such bridge refuse or neglect to accept such offer it shall be the duty of said joint commission to determine in which state the said condemnation proceedings may be instituted

Section 6 In the event that said joint commission determine to institute any such condemnation proceedings in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania application shall be made by the Attorney General or by the owner or owners of any such bridge to the court of common pleas of the county in which the head of such bridge is located for the appointment of viewers Whereupon said court or any law judge thereof shall appoint three discreet and disinterested freeholders to view such bridge and estimate the value thereof None of said freeholders shall be a resident of the county wherein such application shall be made The said court shall fix a time not less than twenty nor more than thirty days thereafter when said viewers shall meet upon the property and view the same The said viewers shall cause at least ten days personal notice of the time and place of such first meeting to be given to the Attorney General and to the owner or owners of such bridge if resident within said county If said owner is a corporation such notice shall be given to the president secretary or treasurer thereof if such officer resides within said county If neither said owner nor any of said officers resides within said county or cannot be found therein notice of such first meeting shall be given as said court may direct

Section 7 The said viewers having been duly sworn or affirmed faithfully and impartially to perform the duties required of them under the provisions of this act shall at the time fixed for said first meeting proceed to ascertain as accurately as may be the value of such bridge and to that end may require the attendance of any person whose testimony may be pertinent thereto and the production of any such books and papers as said viewers may deem necessary If any person shall refuse to appear and testify before such viewers or refuse to produce such books and papers when thereto required the said court or any judge thereof shall upon application of said viewers or a quorum thereof make such order therein as may be necessary

Section 8 Whenever said viewers shall have ascertained the value of said bridge they shall prepare a full report of their labors Said report shall include a plan showing the location of said bridge Upon the completion of said report the viewers shall fix a time when they shall meet and exhibit same Ten days written notice of the time and place of such meeting shall be given to said Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings to the Attorney General and to the owner or owners of said bridge At the time and place mentioned in such notice the said viewers shall meet and shall publicly exhibit said report and hear all exceptions thereto After making any changes in such report as they may deem necessary the same shall be filed in said court

Section 9 Within thirty days after the filing of said report in said court the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any person interested may file exceptions thereto whereupon said court may confirm said report absolutely or modify it or refer it back to the same or to new viewers with like powers and duties as the former viewers

Section 10 Within thirty days after final action on said report by the court the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any person interested may demand a trial by jury or may appeal to the Supreme or Superior Court

Section 11 The cost of said condemnation proceedings including the court costs compensation of viewers and the advertising herein required shall be paid by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Each of said viewers shall receive a sum not exceeding five dollars ($5.00) for each day actually and necessarily employed in the performance of the duties herein prescribed

Section 12 The one-half part of the purchase of said bridges or of the damages awarded under said condemnation proceedings shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania upon warrants drawn by the Auditor General under such conditions as may be prescribed by said Auditor General

Section 13 As soon as said joint commission and said owners shall have agreed upon the price of any such bridge or as soon as said joint commission shall have determined to acquire any such bridge by condemnation proceedings the said joint commission if funds sufficient for the purchase of the bridge are available shall at once take possession of such bridge in the joint names of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York Toll charges on such bridge shall thereupon cease and such bridge shall thereafter be free to the traveling public under such rules and regulations as may be be prescribed by such joint commission or their lawful successors Any railroad or railway now having the use of any such bridge by lease or agreement shall continue to pay to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York in equal proportions the same rental charges and in the same manner as such charges are now paid to the owner or owners of such bridge

Until the amount of such purchase price is paid to the owner or owners of such bridge interest shall be paid thereon at the rate of six per centum Interest at the same rate shall be paid on any award or verdict under condemnation proceedings from the time of taking such bridge until the termination of such proceedings by final decree of said court or of final decree on an appeal to the Supreme or Superior Court if any be taken

Section 14 Upon the acquisition of any such bridge by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York the same shall remain in the charge and control of said joint commission or their successors Such bridge shall thereafter be maintained jointly by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York shall be kept in constant repair and shall be rebuilt when destroyed The one-half of any and all expense connected with such maintenance repair or rebuilding shall be paid by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 15 To carry out the provisions of this act the sum of one hundred sixty thousand dollars ($160,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated Said appropriation shall continue and be available at the rate of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) per year at such time as the State of New York shall act in conjunction herewith

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 345, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 156, entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 180, entitled

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHugh of Weatherly

employed as a Game Warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 228 (House Bill No. 1), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 233 (House Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 317, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 318, entitled

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of muncipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 333, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the police department in cities of the third class providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 342, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motorboats and providing a penalty" giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 344, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 346, entitled

An Act requiring counties in certain instances to assist townships of the second class in the construction improvement repair and maintenance of trunk roads and providing the method of procedure.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 347, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 21st day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory building, rooms, or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1887, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committees at this time.

THE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 247, entitled

An Act to fix the salary of the commission clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act for the printing, binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department," and making an appropriation.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

THE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation all the nominations of Notaries Public made by His Excellency, the Governor, at to-day's session; also the following:

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Walter G. Strayer, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of White, County of Cambria, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. A. Gates, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 1, 1916.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, W. A. Culler, as Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Waynesboro, County of Franklin, to serve until the first Monday in January(1918, vice E. E. Conrad, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John S. Dale, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of State College, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice L. C. Bullock, Jr., resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor, to lie on the table one day be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do now advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as folows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Reidleman,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

RECESS.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SALUS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 520, entitled

An Act relating to the service of the libel and subpoena in proceedings for divorce from the bonds of matrimony in this State, and determining the effect to be given in this state to decrees of divorce granted by the courts of a foreign state or country.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 10.35 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, March 13, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, March 12, 1917.

The House met at 9.00 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Great Father in Heaven, wilt Thou now give us the strength and wisdom that we shall need, yea fill us with Thy grace so that we may move through this evil world without faltering in our faithfulness.

May we live with such abundant life that our influence shall be a real force for good; not only be good, but be good for something.

Bless the members of this House of Representatives, the Speaker and all connected therewith, as we meet here this evening, and enable us to be a blessing to everyone we meet by our kindness, by our gentleness, by our grace of manner and by our words of encouragement and comfort.

Dear Lord, in our social life, in our business, in our home cares and all our friendships, may we ever show the sweetness of the love of the Saviour.

Bless us and use us to bless the world, making it a place sweet with Heaven's fragrance.

Give us the benediction of grace, mercy and peace. and save us evermore. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of March 1, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of March 1, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Curry, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

PROTESTING AGAINST PASSAGE OF FISHERMAN'S LICENSE ACT.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of citizens of Berks County protesting against the passage of a proposed Fisherman's License Act.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

FAVORING EYRE BILL PROVIDING FOR MONUMENT AT VICKSBURG; ALSO BILL TO PENSION THE UNION VETERANS.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of the Sons of Veterans' Association of Philadelphia endorsing the Eyre Bill to erect a monument at Vicksburg in honor of the late General Parke; and also enforcing a bill to pension Union Veterans in the State of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. SHOWALTER. House Bill No. 848.

An Act authorizing the attachment of wages or salary upon judgments obtained for necessaries, limiting the amount of exemption to be claimed, and providing for the payment of the costs.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GLASS. House Bill No. 849.

An Act to protect all persons, in their equal rights regardless of race, color or creed in places of public accommodation, entertainment or amusement, and providing penalty for violation of the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 850.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department for the purpose of constructing and improving State Highways in boroughs and incorporated towns.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 851.

An Act to amend the first paragraph of section four of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 852.

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 853.

An Act requiring the Commonwealth, and all counties thereof and all public institutions owned, managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof, to purchase supplies and certain materials from State conrection institutions; providing for the administration of this act by the Prison Labor Commission and others; and making it unlawful under certain circumstances for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or any County Controller or the Treasurer of any Public Institutions to approve any bill for such materials or supplies purchased elsewhere.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 854.

An Act providing for the appointment of probation officers in certain counties; fixing their powers, duties, and salaries.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 855.

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A Further Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 856.

An Act to further amend section fifteen of act approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane, to be called the State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania, and making an appropriation therefor," as amended, fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 857.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Training School for Feeble-Minded Children, at Elwyn, Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RINN. House Bill No. 858.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Lehigh and Northampton.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 859.

An Act to regulate the advertising of ordinances in cities of the first class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 860.

An Act entitled "An Act permitting the release on parole of insane persons committed to the institutions of the Commonwealth, and regulating such release, and the appointment of parole officers."

Referred to the Committee of Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 861.

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the court committing insane persons to an institution of this Commonwelath, to certify the proceedings upon which the commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WOODWARD. Houes Bill No. 862.

An Act entitled "An Act providing for the employment and compensation of indigent insane inmates in institutions of the Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BENCHOFF. House Bill No. 863.

An Act providing for a uniform date when all county, borough, township, school and poor tax duplicates shall be delivered to the tax collectors in boroughs and township; providing for the issuance of a single notice to taxables; and regulating rebates and penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 864.

An Act to repeal an act approved the fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An Act relating to the collection of taxes in the county of Indiana," and supplements and amendments thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 865.

An Act making an appropriation to the Bellefonte Hospital, Bellefonte, Centre County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 866.

An Act to regulate the practice of Pharmacy and Sale of Poisons and Drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof, defining the words "Drug" and "Poison," and providing for the appointment of a Board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law, and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality, strength and purity.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BELL. House Bill No. 867.

An Act to prohibit the use of cannon, guns, revolvers or other explosive devices at wedding serenades or celebrations; and providing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BELL. House Bill No. 868.

An Act to prohibit the display of certain fire-arms and other deadly weapons; and providing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 869.

An Act making an appropriation to the Beulah Rescue Home Association of Western Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 870.

An Act making an appropriation to the Easton Home for Friendless Children, at Easton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 871.

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Aged and Infirm Women, at Easton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 872.

An Act to regulate the use of the waters owned by the Commonwealth or any of the departments of the State Government, restricting bait fishing therein, and imposing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

By Mr. DEWEY. House Bill No. 873.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Bedford County.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 874.

An Act making an appropriation for the Associated Charities and Humane Society of Lackawanna County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BECHTOLD. House Bill No. 875.

An Act to authorize the revising, editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hundred and one, entitled "Market Gardening," issued by the State Department of Agriculture, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BECHTOLD. House Bill No. 876.

An Act to authorize the revising, editing and printing of fifteen thousand copies of Bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six, entitled "Swine Husbandry," issued by the Department of Agriculture; and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 877.

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. PERRY asked and received leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Snowden.

Mr. STADTLANDER asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Hough.

Mr. ROBERTSON asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Clements.

Mr. SHATTUCK asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. John P. Williams.

RESOLUTION PLEDGING SUPPORT TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

Mr. WALTERS offered a resolution which was twice read as follows:

Whereas, The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the foreign affairs of the nation by the unpatriotic acts of certain Senators of the United States in refusing authority to the President to protect the lives and property of American citizens on high seas,

Therefore, Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made; that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men, women and children; and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States, working and traveling upon the high seas, may be preserved and the dignity and honor of the United States maintained.

Ordered, That the resolution lie over for printing.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 187, entitled

An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of game, game-quadrupeds and game-birds, and song and insectivorous and other wild birds, and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 187, File Folio 787, be recommitted to the Committee on Game for a hearing.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

The SPEAKER. If the House has no objections the Chair will at this time proceed to take up bills on second reading, so that they may be printed and on the desks for action when the third reading bills are disposed of. The Chair hears no objection, and second reading bills will be taken up.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 195, entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock;' approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose; constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity, or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,'" approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products;" extending the same to companies engaged in packing, manipulating, or manufacturing tobacco, or manufacturing cigars, cigarettes or other tobacco products.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws sixty-three) entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act

entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing puprposes' approved the ninth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate granite stone or rocks or for dressing polishing working or manufacturing the same or any of them and to mineral springs companies incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three" approved the nineteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals foodstuffs cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock' approved May twenty-egihth one thousand nine hundred and seven extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business' " approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products" which reads as follows

"It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass or for the quarrying of slate granite cement rock stone or rocks of any kind or for dressing polishing or manufacturing the same or any of them or for any mineral springs company incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water or for any company incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing supplying and sale of ice or for the manufacture and sale of chemicals or for the manufacture and sale of food-stuffs and eatables cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock or for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the contol or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a geenal manufacturing business or for refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And providing further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1. It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass or for the quarrying of slate granite cement rock stone or rocks of any kind or for dressing polishing or manufacturing the same or any of them or for any mineral springs company incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water or for any company incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing supplying and sale of ice or for the manufacture and sale of chemicals or for the manufacture and sale of food stuffs and eatables cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock or for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and to producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business or for refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products or for the purpose of packing manipulating or manufacturing tobacco or manufacturing cigars cigarettes or other tobacco products or for the purpose of briquetting coal or other minerals to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organzied under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments:

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 3, line 25, by striking out "compaies" and inserting in lieu thereof "companies."

Amend Section 1, page 4, line 15, by striking out "aparatus" and inserting in lieu thereof "apparatus."

Amend Section 1, page 5, line 18, by inserting "the" before "refining."

Amend Section 1, page 7, line 6, by striking out "suplying" and inserting in lieu thereof "supplying."

Amend Section 1, page 7, line 12, by inserting after the word "minerals" "or for the purpose of manufacturing rubber in any form."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes' approved the ninth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate granite stone or rocks or for dressing polishing working or manufacturing the same or any of them and to mineral springs companies incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three" approved the nineteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one extending the same to companies formed for the purposes of manufacturing and selling chemicals foodstuffs cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock' approved May twenty-eighth one thousand nine hundred and seven extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electrictiy or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical aparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business" ' approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products" extending the same to companies engaged in packing manipulating or manufacturing tobacco or manufacturing cigars cigarettes or other tobacco products

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 3, line 4, by inserting after "products," "or for the purpose of briquetting coal or other minerals, or for the purpose of manufacturing rubber in any form."

Amend title, page 2, line 24, by striking out the word "aparatus" and inserting in lieu thereof "apparatus."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 243, as follows

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania

Be It Resolved By the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met that the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof

Amend article nine by adding the following section

Section 17 The State or any municipality thereof acquiring or appropriating property or rights over or in property for public use may in furtherance of its plans for the acquisition and public use of such property or rights and subject to such restrictions as the Legislature may from time to time impose appropriate an excess of property over that actually to be occupied or used for public use and may thereafter sell or lease such excess and impose on the property so sold or leased any restrictions appropriate to preserve or enhance the benefit to the public of the property actually occupied or used

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 244, as follows

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania

Be It Resolved By the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met that the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof

Amend article nine by adding the following section

Section 16 The General Assembly may authorize assessments against all properties whether abutting or not which are actually benefitted by the construction enlargement laying out widening grading or other improvement of public highways parks buildings or other public works by the State or any municipality thereof

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 583, as follows

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled "A supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three" as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled "A supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three" which as amended by an act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred seven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-three) entitled "An Act amending section one of an act entitled 'A supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three' said supplement approved the twenty-first day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine so as to fix the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita" reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the expense of the care and treatment of the indigent insane in the State hospitals for the insane is hereby fixed at the uniform rate of one dollar and seventy-five cents per week for each person including clothing chargeable to the respective counties or poor districts from which such insane shall come and the excess over said one dollar and seventy-five cents shall be paid by the State but in no cases shall said excess exceed two dollars and fifty cents per week for each indigent insane person" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the expense of the care and treatment of the indigent insane in the State hospitals for the insane is hereby fixed at the uniform rate of two dollars and fifty cents per week for each person including clothing chargeable to the respective counties or poor districts from which such insane shall come and the excess over said two dollars and fifty cents shall be paid by the State but in no case shall said excess exceed two dollars and fifty cents per week for each indigent insane person

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 249, as follows

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions, approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commowealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as ameded by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by each partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions' approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine" by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act" approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That where two or more persons may desire to associate themselves in partnership for the purpose of conducting any kind or kinds of business trade or occupation except the construction and operation of electric light and power companies banking or trust companies artificial or natural gas companies water companies railroad street passenger railway or traction companies within this State or any portion of the United States or elsewhere whose principal office or place of business shall be specified in the way and manner hereinafter set forth as being intended to be established and maintained within this State and may desire to limit the liability or one or more or all of the partners for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively it shall and may be lawful to do so in the manner following to wit Said partners so desiring to associate themselves shall subscribe to articles of partnership wherein shall be stated the name and style of the partnership its purposes and duration the county wherein its principal office or place of business is to be located the names of the several partners and the amount of the capital subscribed by each partner and when and how the same is to be paid and the names of the partners one or more or all whose liability is to be limited to the amount subscribed by each to the capital Such articles of partnership shall be acknowledged before some officer competent to take the acknowledgment of deeds and shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which is located the place designated as the principal office or place of business Amendments of said articles of partnership shall be made in like manner and shall be effective only when recorded in the office of the said recorder of deeds A copy of said articles of partnership and of all amendments thereto duly certified by the recorder of deeds shall also be filed within thirty days after the recording of said articles or amendments in said recorders office in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth The business of the partnership may be commenced after the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where two or more persons may desire to associate themselves in partnership for the purpose of conducting any kind or kinds of business trade or occupation except the construction and operation of electric and power companies banking or trust companies artificial or natural gas companies water companies railroad street passenger railway or traction companies within this State or any portion of the United States or elsewhere whose principal office or place of business shall be specified in the way and manner hereinafter set forth as being intended to be established and maintained within this State and may desire to limit the liability of all of the partners for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partners respectively it shall and may be lawful to do so in the manner following to wit Said partners so desiring to associate themselves shall subscribe to articles of partnership wherein shall be stated the name and style of the partnership its purposes and duration the county wherein its principal office or place of business is to be located the names of the several partners and the amount of the capital subscribed by each partner and when and how the same is to be paid Such articles of partnership shall be acknowledged before some officer competent to take the acknowledgement of deeds and shall be recordd in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which the place designated as the principal office or place of business Amendments of said articles of partnership shall be made in like manner and shall be effective only when recorded in the office of the said recorder of deeds A copy of said articles of partnership and of all amendments thereto duly certified by the recorder of deeds shall also be filed within thirty days after the recording of said articles or amendments in said recorder's office in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth The business of the partnership may be commenced after the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds

On the question,
Will the House agree to the Section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 5, line 1, insert after the word "electric," the word "light."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 Section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 Notice of the formation of the partnership shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein is located the place designated as the principal office or place of business This notice shall be published once a week for three weeks The first publication shall appear not later than the day following the filing of the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds this notice shall state the name style and general purpose of the partnership the names of the partners the amount of capital subscribed by each partner and when and how the amount of such subscription is to be paid It shall also state the fact that the liability of one or more or all of the partners is limited in accordance with this statute and that the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds If a time be fixed in the articles of partnership for its duration such time shall also be stated in the said notice No name or style of partnership shall be adopted which will include the name of any partner whose liability is intended to be limited unless there shall be added the word "Registered" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 Notice of the formation of the partnership shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein is located the place designated as the principal office or place of business This notice shall be published once a week for three weeks The first publication shall appear not later than the day following the filing of the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds this notice shall state the name style and general purpose of the partnership the names of the partners the amount of capital subscribed for by each partner and when and how the amount of such subscription is to be paid It shall also state the fact that the liability of all the partners is limited in accordance with this statute and that the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds If a time be fixed in the articles of partnership for its duration such time shall also be stated in the said notice To the name of the partnership shall be added the word "Registered"

Section 3 Section three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 No member of any such partnership thus formed recorded and published whose liability is stated as intended to be limited in the manner hereinbefore set forth shall be liable for its debts under any circumstances saving to the extent of the amount of his or her subscription with interest on unpaid subscriptions from the date or dates at which the same became actually due and payable Payment of the amount of the subscription of such member of the partnership with interest as aforesaid shall exonerate such partner from all further liability A partner or partners whose liability is thus limited shall not be precluded from transacting business with or for the partnership" be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows

Section 3 No member of any such partnership thus formed recorded and published shall be liable for its debts under any circumstances saving to the extent of the amount of his or her subscriptions with interest on unpaid subscriptions from the date or dates at which the same became actually due and payable Payment of the amount of the subscription with interest as aforesaid shall exonerate such partner from all further liability A partner or partners shall not be precluded from transacting business with or for the partnership

Section 4 Section five of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 It shall be the duty of said partnership to keep posted in the place designated as its principal office or place of business in some place therein accessible to the public during business hours a plainly written or printed list of the partners with the amount of capital subscribed by each the amount paid in by each partner and in the case of any partner whose liability is limited the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to his name where it appears in such list This notice shall also state the volume and page of the record the the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds If on the signs used by the partnership or if on any bill-heads letter-heads or other publications of the partnership the names of the several partners should be stated the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to the name of each partner whose liability is limited in the way herein provided A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor Each member of the partnership who shall participate in such violation shall be liable to prosecution for such misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars for each violation of the provisions of said section" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 It shall be the duty of said partnership to keep posted in the place designated as its principal office or place of business in some place therein accessible to the public during business hours a plainly written or printed list of the partners with the amount of capital subscribed by each the amount paid in by each partner and the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to the name of each partner This notice shall also state the volume and page of the record of the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds If on the signs used by the partnership or if on any bill-heads letter-heads or other publications of the partnership the names of the several partners should be stated the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to the name of the partner A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor Each member of the partnership who shall participate in such violation shall be liable to prosecution for such misdemeanor and upon conviction

shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars for each violation of the provisions of said section

Section 5 Section six of said act which reads as follows

"Section 6 If any partner whose liability is limited in the manner herein provided shall obtain credit money goods or other valuable thing by a false statement to the effect that he is a general partner he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars" be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows

Section 6 If any partner shall obtain credit money goods or other valuable thing by a false statement to the effect that he is a general partner he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars

Section 7 Any partnership formed under the provisions of the act to which this act is an amendment prior to the adoption of this act wherein the liability of one or more but not all the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partner or partners respectively shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such act as if this amendment had not been adopted except that such partnership shall not be renewed unless so provided in the original agreement or if the partners so desire such partnership may become a limited partnership under the Uniform Limited Partnership Act by complying with the provisions of sections two and thirty of said act

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships

The first, second and third sections were read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Limited partnerships defined
Section 2 Formation
Section 3 Business which may be carried on
Section 4 Character of limited partner's contribution
Section 5 Name not to contain surname of limited partner exceptions
Section 6 Liability for false statements in certificate
Section 7 Limited partner not liable to creditors
Section 8 Admission of additional limited partners
Section 9 Rights powers and liabilities of a general partner
Section 10 Rights of a limited partner
Section 11 Status of person erroneously believing himself a limited partner
Section 12 One person both general and limited partner
Section 13 Loans and other business transactions with limited partner
Section 14 Relation of limited partners inter se
Section 15 Compensation of limited partner
Section 16 Withdrawal or reduction of limited partner's contribution
Section 17 Liability of limited partner to partnership
Section 18 Nature of limited partner's interest in partnership
Section 19 Assignment of limited partner's interest
Section 20 Effect of retirement death or insanity of a general partner
Section 21 Death of limited partner
Section 22 Rights of creditors of limited partner
Section 23 Distribution of assets
Section 24 When certificate shall be cancelled or amended
Section 25 Requirements for amendment and for cancellation of certificate
Section 26 Parties to actions
Section 27 Name of act
Section 28 Rules of construction
Section 29 Rules for cases not provided for in this act
Section 30 Provisions for existing limited partnerships formed under act of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six
Section 31 Acts repealed

(Limited Partnership Defined)

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a limited partnership is a partnership formed by two or more persons under the provisions of section two having as members one or more general partners and one or more limited partners The limited partners as such shall not be bound by the obligations of the partnership

Section 2 (Formation) (1) Two or more persons desiring to form a limited partnership shall

(a) Sign and swear to a certificate which shall state

I The name of the partnership
II The character of the business
III The location of the principal place of business
IV The name and place of residence of each member general and limited partners being respectively designated
V The term for which the partnership is to exist
VI The amount of cash and a description of and the agreed value of the other property contributed, by each limited partner
VII The additional contributions if any agreed to be made by each limited partner and the times at which or events on the happening of which they shall be made
VIII The time if agreed upon when the contribution of each limited partner is to be returned
IX The share of the profits or the other compensation by way of income which each limited partner shall receive by reason of his contribution
X The right if given of a limited partner to substitute an assignee as contributor in his place and the terms and conditions of the substitution
XI The right if given of the partners to admit additional limited partners
XII The right if given of one or more of the limited partners to priority over other limited partners as to contributions or as to compensation by way of income and the nature of such priority
XIII The right if given of the remaining general partner or partners to continue the business on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner and
XIV The right if given of a limited partner to demand and receive property other than cash in return for his contribution

(b) File for record the certificate in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which the principal place of business of the limited partnership shall be located

(2) A limiter partnership is formed if there has been substantial compliance in good faith with the requirements of paragraph (1)

(3) The recorder of deeds shall record the certificate and the acknowledgment thereto at large in a book to be kept for that purpose open to public inspection

Section 3 (Business which may be carried on) A limited partnership may carry on any business which a partnership without limited partners may carry on

The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 (Character of limited partner's contributions) The contributions of a limited partner may be cash or other property but not services

On the question,

Will the House agree to the question?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Section 4, page 4, line 28, strike out after the word "partner's" the word "contributions" and insert the word "contribution."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth thirteenth fourteenth and fifteenth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 5 (A name not to contain surname of limited partner exceptions) (1) The surname of a limited partner shall not appear in the partnership name unless

(a) It is also the surname of a general partner or

(b) Prior to the time when the limited partner became such the business had been carried on under a name in which his surname appeared

(2) A limited partner whose name appears in a partnership name contrary to the provisions of paragraph (1) is liable as a general partner to partnership creditors who extend credit to the partnership without actual knowledge that he is not a general partner

Section 6 (Liability for False Statements in Certificates) If the certificate contains a false statement one who suffers loss by reliance on such statement may hold liable any party to the certificate who knew the statement to be false

(a) at the time he signed the certificate or

(b) Subsequently but within a sufficient time before the statement was relied upon to enable him to cancel or amend the certificate or to file a petition for its cancellation or amendment as provided in section twenty-five (3)

Section 7 (Limited Partner Not Liable to Creditors) A limited partner shall not become liable as a general partner unless in addition to the exercise of his rights and powers as a limited partner he takes part in the control of the business

Section 8 (Admission of Additional Limited Partners) After the formation of a limited partnership additional limited partners may be admitted upon filing an amendment to the original certificate in accordance with the requirements of section twenty-five

Section 9 (Rights Powers and Liabilities of a General Partner) (1) A general partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of a partner in a partnership without limited partners except that without the written consent or ratification of the specific act by all the limited partners a general partner or all of the general partners have no authority to

(a) Do any act in contravention of the certificate

(b) Do any act which would make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the partnership

(c) Confess a judgment against the partnership

(d) Possess partnership property or assign their rights in specific partnership property for other than a partnership purpose

(e) Admit a person as a general partner

(f) Admit a person as a limited partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

(g) Continue the business with partnership property on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

Section 10 (Rights of a Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner shall have the same rights as a general partner to

(a) Have the partnership books kept at the principal place of business of the partnership and at all times to inspect and copy any of them

(b) Have on demand true and full information of all things affecting the partnership and a formal account of partnership affairs whenever circumstances render it just and reasonable and

(c) Have dissolution and winding up by decree of court

(2) A limited partner shall have the right to receive a share of the profits or other compensation by way of income and to the return of his contribution as provided in sections fifteen and sixteen

Section 11 (Status of Persons Erroneously Believing Himself a Limited Partner) A person who has contributed to the capital of a business conducted by a person or partnership erroneously believing that he has become a limited partner in a limited partnership is not by reason of his exercise of the rights of a limited partner a general partner with the person or in the partnership carrying on the business or bound by the obligations of such person or partnership provided that on ascertaining the mistake he promptly renounces his interest in the profits of the business or other compensation by way of income

Section 12 (One Person both General and Limited Partner) (1) A person may be a general partner and a limited partner in the same partnership at the same time

(2) A person who is a general and also at the same time a limited partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions of a general partner except that in respect to his contribution he shall have the rights against the other members which he would have had if he were not also a general partner

Section 13 (Loans and Other Business Transactions with Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner also may loan money to and transact other business with the partnership and unless he is also a general partner receive on account of resulting claims against the partnership with general creditors a pro rata share of the assets No limited partner shall in respect to any such claim

(a) Receive or hold as collateral security any partnership property or

(b) Receive from a general partner or the partnership any payment conveyance or release from liability if at the time the assets of the partnership are not sufficient to discharge partnership liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners

(2) The receiving of collateral security or a payment conveyance or release in violation of the provisions of paragraph (1) is a fraud on the creditors of the partnership

Section 14 (Relation of Limited Partners Inter Se) Where there are several limited partners the members may agree that one or more of the limited partners shall have priority over other limited partners as to the return of their contributions as to their compensation by way of income or as to any other matter If such an agreement is made it shall be stated in the certificate and in the absence of such a statement all the limited partners shall stand upon equal footing

Section 15 (Compensation of limited partner) A limited partner may receive from the partnership the share of the profits or the compensation by way of income stipulated for in the certificate provided that after such payment is made whether from the property of the partnership or that of a general partner the partnership assets are in excess of all liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

The sixteenth section was read as follows:

Section 16 (Withdrawal or reduction of limited partner's contribution) (1) A limited partner shall not receive from a general partner or out of partnership property any part of his contribution until

(a) All liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to general partners and to limited partners on account of their contributions have been paid or there remains property of the partnership sufficient to pay them

(b) The consent of all members is had unless the return of the contribution may be rightfully demanded under the provisions of paragraph (2) and

(c) The certificate is cancelled or so amended as to set forth the withdrawal or reduction

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) a limited partner may rightfully demand the return of his contribution

(a) On the dissolution of a partnership or

(b) When the date specified in the certificate for its return has arrived or

(c) After he has given six mouths' notice in writing to all other members if no time is specified in the certificate either for the return of the contribution or for the dissolution of the partnership

(3) In the absence of any statement in the certificate to the contrary or the consent of all members a limited partner irrespective of the nature of his contributions has only the right to demand and receive cash in return for his contribution

(4) A limited partnership may have the partnership dissolved and its affairs wound up when

(a) He rightfully but unsuccessfully demands the return of his contribution or

(b) The other liabilities of the partnership have not been paid or the partnership property is insufficient for their payment as required by paragraph (1a) and the limited partner would otherwise be entitled to the return of his contribution

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 16, page 10, lines 7 and 8, strike out after the word "his" on line 7, the word "contributions" and insert the word "contribution."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The seventeenth section was read as follows:

Section 17 (Liabililty of limited partner to partnership) (1) A limited partner is liable to the partnership

(a) For the difference between his contributions as actually made and that stated in the certificate as having been made and

(b) For any unpaid contribution which he agreed in the certificate to make in the future at the time and on the conditions stated in the certificate

(2) A limited partner holds as trustee for the partnership

(a) Specific property stated in the certificate as contributed by him but which was not contributed or which has been wrongfully returned and

(b) Money or other property wrongfully paid or conveyed to him on account of his contribution

(3) The liabilities of a limited partner as set forth in this section can be waived or compromised only by the consent of all members but a waiver or compromise shall not affect the right of a creditor of a partnership who extended credit or whose claim arose after the filing and before a cancellation or amendment of the certificate to enforce such liabilities

(4) When a limited partner has rightfully received the return in whole or in part of the capital of his contribution he is nevertheless liable to the partnership for any sum not in excess of such return with interest necessary to discharge its liabilities to all creditors who extend credit or whose claims arose before such return

On the question,
Will the House agree to the Section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 17, page 10, line 21, strike out after the word "his" the word "contributions," and insert the word "contribution."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The eighteenth, nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-first, twenty-second and twenty-third sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 18 (Nature of limited partner's interest in partnership) A limited partner's interest in the partnership is personal property

Section 19 (Assignment of limited partner's interest) (1) A limited partner's interest is assignable

(2) A substituted limited partner is a person admitted to all the rights of a limited partner who has died or has assigned his interest in a partnership.

(3) An assignee who does not become a substituted limited partner has no right to require any information or account of the partnership transactions or to inspect the partnership books he is only entitled to receive the share of the profits or other compensation by way of income or the return of his contribution to which his assignor would otherwise be entitled

(4) An assignee shall have the right to become a substituted limited partner if all the members (except the assignor) consent thereto or if the assignor being thereunto empowered by the certificate gives the assignee that right

(5) An assignee becomes a substituted limited partner when the certificate is approximately amended in accordance with section twenty-five

(6) The substituted limited partner has all the rights and powers and is subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of his assignor except those liabilities of which he was ignorant at the time he became a limited partner and which could not be ascertained from the certificate

(7) The substitution of the assignee as a limited partner does not release the assignor from liability to the partnership under sections six and seventeen

Section 20 (Effect of retirement death or insanity of a general partner) (The retirement death or insanity of a general partner dissolves the partnership unless the business is continued by the remaining general partners

(a) Under a right so to do stated in the certificate or

(b) With the consent of all members.

Section 21 (Death of limited Partner) (1) On the death of a limited partner his executor or administrator shall have all the rights of a limited partner for the purpose of settling his estate and such power as the deceased had to constitute his assignee a substituted limited partner

(2) The estate of a deceased limited partner shall be liable for all his liabilities as a limited partner

Section 22 (Rights of creditors of limited partner) (1) On due application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any judgment creditor of a limited partner the court may charge the interest of the indebted limited partner with payment of the unsatisfied amount of the judgment debt and may appoint a receiver and make all other orders directions and inquiries which the circumstances of the case may require

(2) The interest may be redeemed with the separate property of any general partner but may not be redeemed with partnership property

(3) The remedies conferred by paragraph (1) shall not be deemed exclusive of others which may exist

(4) Nothing in this act shall be held to deprive a limited partner of his statutory exemption

Section 23 (Distribution of Assets) (1) In settling accounts after dissolution the liabilities of the partnership shall be entitled to payment in the following order

(a) Those to creditors in the order of priority as provided by law except those to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

(b) Those to limited partners in respect to their share of the profits and other compensation by way of income on their contributions

(c) Those to limited partners in respect to the capital of their contributions

(d) Those to general partners other than for capital and profits

(e) Those to general partners in respect to profits

(f) Those to general partners in respect to capital

(2) Subject to any statement in the certificate or to subsequent agreement limited partners share in the partnership assets in respect to their claims for capital and in respect to their claims for profits or for compensation by way of income on their contributions respectively in proportion to the respective amounts of such claims

The twenty-fourth section was read as follows:

Section 24 (When Certificate Shall be Cancelled or Amended) (1) The certificate shall be cancelled when the partnership is dissolved or all limited partners cease to be such

(2) A certificate shall be amended when

(a) There is a change in the name of the partnership or in the amount or character of the contribution of any limited partner

(b) A person is substituted as a limited partner

(c) An additional limited partner is admitted

(d) A person is admitted as a general partner

(e) A general partner retires dies or becomes insane and the business is continued under section twenty

(f) There is a change in the character of the business of the partnership

(g) There is a false or erroneous statement in the certificate

(h) There is a change in the time as stated in the certificate for the dissolution of the partnership or for the return of a contribution

(i) A time is fixed for the dissolution of the partnership on the return of a contribution no time having been specified in the certificate or

(j) The members desire to make a change in any other statement in the certificate in order that it shall accurately represent the agreement between them

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 24, page 15, line 9, strike out after the word "nership" the word "on" and insert the word "or."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-fifth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 25 (Requirements for Amendment and for Cancellation of Certificate) (1) The writing to amend a certificate shall

(a) Conform to the requirements of section two (1a) as far as necessary to set forth clearly the change in the certificate which it is desired to make and

(b) Be signed and sworn to by all members and an amendment substituting a limited partner or adding a limited or general partner shall be signed also by the member to be substituted or added and when a limited partner is to be substituted the amendment shall also be signed by the assigning limited partner

(2) The writing to cancel a certificate shall be signed by all members

(3) A person desiring the cancellation or amendment of a certificate if any person designated in paragraphs (1) and (2) as a person who must execute the writing refuses to do so may petition the court of common pleas of the county in which the certificate is filed to direct a cancellation or amendment thereof

(4) If the court finds that the petiitoner has a right to have the writing executed by a person who refuses to do so it shall order the recorder of deeds in the office where the certificate is recorded to record the cancellation or amendment of the certificate and where the certificate is to be amended the court shall also cause to be filed for record in said office a certified copy of its decree setting forth the amendment

(5) A certificate is amended or cancelled when there is filed for record in the office of the recorder of deeds where the certificate is recorded

(a) A writing in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) or (2) or

(b) A certified copy of the order of court in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4)

(6) After the certificate is duly amended in accordance with this section the amended certificate shall thereafter be for all purposes the certificate provided for by this act

The twenty-sixth section was read as follows:

Section 26 (Parties to Acations) A contributor unless he is a general partner is not a proper party to proceedings by or against a partnership except where the object is to enforce a limited partner's right against or liability to the partnership

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 26, page 16, line 26, strike out after the word "to" the word "acations" and insert the word "actions."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

Sections twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one and the title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 27 (Name of Act) This act may be cited as The Uniform Limited Partnership Act

Section 28 (Rules of Construction) (1) The rule that statutes in derogation of the common law are to be strictly construed shall have no application to this act

(2) This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effect its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states which enact it

(3) This act shall not be so construed as to impair the obligations of any contract existing when the act goes into effect nor to affect any action or proceedings begun or right accrued before this act takes effect

Section 29 (Rules for Cases not Provided for in this Act) In any case not provided for in this act the rules of law and equity including the law merchant shall govern

Section 30 (Provisions for Existing Limited Partnerships formed under act of one thousand eight hundred thirty-six)

(1) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act may become a limited partnership under this act by complying with the provisions of section two provided the certificate sets forth

(a) The amount of the original contribution of each limited partner and the time when the contribution was made and

(b) That the property of the partnership exceeds the amount sufficient to discharge its liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners by an amount greater than the sum of the contributions of its limited partners

(2) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act until or unless it becomes a limited partnership under this act shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such act its amendments and supplements except that such partnership shall not be renewed unless so provided in the original agreement

Section 31 (acts repealed) Except as affecting existing limited partnerships to the extent set forth in section thirty the following acts are hereby repealed

An act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six entitled "An Act relative to limited partnerships"

So much of an act in the form of a resolution approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight entitled "Resolution relative to State Library and for other purposes" as relates to limited partnerships being the last five resolutions in said act

An act approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight entitled "A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six"

An act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "A Further Supplement to an act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted"

An act approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted approved March thirtieth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five"

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And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 614, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State highway commissioner two deputy State highway commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State highway commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State high way commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State highway commissioner decides the work be done by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended by providing for the taking over by the State Highway Department of abandoned rights of way of railroad or railway companies in certain cases

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the ninth section of the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointement of a State Highway Commissioner two deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost

of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended by the act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ninety-one) which as amended reads as follows

"Where a turnpike toll-road or toll-bridge company or other private corporation shall own or contral the whole or any part of a road route or bridge forming all or any portion of a State highway as hereinbefore described and defined it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement to purchase said turnpike toll-road or such part thereof or toll-bridge owned by such company or corporation and if a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor for said road or part thereof or toll-bridge cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to petition the court of quarter sessions of the county in which the State highway or any part thereof owned or controlled by said turnpike company bridge company or other private corporation is located setting forth that such turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge is a State highway within the designation and description of this act and that no agreement as to price or damage can be reached and thereupon said court shall appoint a jury of view consisting of five reputable citizens of the county in which the road or part thereof or toll-bridge is located and the said jury having been sworn or affirmed to perform their duties faithfully justly and impartially shall after due notice to the company or corporation and the State Highway Commissioner view and condemn the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll bridge as a State highway of part thereof and shall appraise and report the damages which the owner or owners shall be entitled to receive therefor And for the purpose of appraising the damages as aforesaid the said jury shall first hear evidence on the part of the said owner or owners and afterwards shall hear evidence on the part of the State Highway Commissioner after which evidence shall be heard in rebuttal and in sur-rebuttal as prescribed for trials at law Said report shall be presented for confirmation nisi at the term of said court next succeeding said appraisment and view unless by order of said court the same be continued to a later term and if no exceptions are filed thereto said report shall at the expiration of thirty days after confirmation nisi be confirmed absolutely and an appeal therefrom by the Commonwealth or the company or corporation shall lie to the court of common pleas of said county within thirty days after confirmation absolute and upon issue framed by the court of common pleas the damages shall then be ascertained as in similar cases subject to an appeal to the Superior or Supreme Courts as the case may be The said court of quarter sessions may in its discretion appoint a competent stenographer to keep a faithful record of all proceedings before the viewers and to furnish a full copy of his notes to be attached to and form a part of the record And the said stenographer shall be allowed the same compensation as that paid in their respective county to court stenographers and each viewer shall be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each day necessarily employed which together with the compensation allowed the said stenographer shall be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding and be paid as hereinafter provided Immediately upon agreement reached or upon completion of any court proceedings and acceptance of the appraisement or verdict by the Commissioner the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expense of proceedings in condemnation and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls Provided That if the amount of damages as finally awarded shall be deemed excessive by the State Highway Commissioner he may refuse to accept the appraisement or verdict and may omit said turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge from the aforesaid route of State highway and all court costs and costs of jury procedings shall thereupon be paid by the State Highway Department and by necessary divergence therefrom he may select and adopt the next best and most suitable and convenient route or road in order to connect-up and complete a continuous State highway and thereafter such diverged route or road shall be taken and remain and be as much a part of the State highways of the Commonwealth as though otherwise particularly described in this act Provided further That at any time during the proceedings in condemnation after the filing of the original petition of the State Highway Commissioner the said Highway Commissioner with the consent and approval of the Governor may after ten days' written notice to the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge present to the said court of quarter sessions of the proper county a declaration of his intention to immediately enter upon and take the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and to pay or cause to be paid to the said owner or owners such amount of damages as shall be assessed in the manner provided for by this act and all costs and expenses of the said proceedings which declaration shall contain a certificate of State Highway Commissioner that sufficient funds to pay all possible damages costs and expenses of said proceedings have been appropriated by the Legislature and are available for this specific purpose and upon presentation of said declaration the said court shall mark the same filed of record in said proceedings whereupon the funds in the hands of the State Highway Commissioner or in the State Treasury and specifically appropriated to the use of the State Highway Commissioner shall be pledged and deemed as security for all damages done or suffered or which shall accrue by reason of the taking of said turnpike toll road or part thereof or toll-bridge and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall immediately become a State Highway or part thereof free from tolls and the same may then be improved and maintained by the State Highway Commissioner in the manner provided by this act and upon completion of the proceedings in condemnation the State Highway Commissioner shall accept the appraisement and verdict and the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses and in case the said damages and costs and expenses are not paid within thirty days from the final adjudication and judgment thereon the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge may enforce the same by payment of the same by writ of mandamus which shall be issued by the court of common pleas of the county in which the seat of government is or may be located and shall be proceeded in as provided by law And provided further That where an existing turnpike or toll-roads or part thereof or toll-bridges owned by turnpike or toll-bridge companies or private corporations shall be or form any part of any State Highway hereinbefore designated described or defined the same are not hereby immediately taken over for improvement or repair but the purchase thereof shall be deferred by the State Highway Commissioner and the same shall remain and be operated and controlled by the owners thereof as heretofore until such time as the work of improvement of all other State Highways and parts or portions thereof shall have been completed And provided further If in the judgment of the State Highway Commissioner local or special conditions of any of said turnpikes or toll-roads or any part or parts thereof or toll-bridges are such as tend to interfere with or inconvenience travel thereon and shall sooner require the purchase improvement and control thereof by the State then upon the approval of the Governor such turnpike or turnpikes toll-road or toll roads or part or parts thereof or toll-bridge or toll-bridges so affected by such local or special conditions shall be taken over in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided however That the county or counties in which any such toll-bridge or bridges is located shall pay at least one-half of the expense of freeing such toll-bridge or bridges" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Where a turnpike toll-road or toll-bridge or railroad or railway company or other private corporation shall own or control the whole or any part of a road route abandoned right of way or bridge forming all or any portion of a State Highway as hereinbefore described and defined it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement to purchase said turnpike toll-road abandoned right of way or such part thereof or toll-bridge owned by such company or corporation and if a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor for said road or abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to petition the court of quarter sessions of the county in which the State Highway or any part thereof owned or controlled by said turnpike company railroad or railway company bridge company or other private corporation is located setting forth that such turnpike or toll-road or abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge is a State Highway within the designation and description of this act and that no agreement as to price or damage can be reached and thereupon said court shall appoint a jury of view consisting of five reputable citizens of the county in which the road or abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge is located and the said jury having been sworn or affirmed to perform their duties faithfully justly and impartially shall after due notice to the company or corporation and the State Highway Commissioner view and condemn the said turnpike toll-road abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge as a State Highway or part thereof and shall appraise and report the damages which the owner or owners shall be entitled to receive therefor And for the purpose of appraising the damages as aforesaid the said jury shall first hear evidence on the part of the said owner or owners and afterwards shall hear evidence on the part of the State Highway Commissioner after which evidence shall be heard in rebuttal and in sur-rebuttal as prescribed for trials at law Said report shall be presented for confirmation nisi at the term of said court next succeeding said appraisement and view unless by order of said court the same be continued to a later term and if no exceptions are filed thereto said report shall at the expiration of thirty days after confirmation nisi be confirmed absolutely and an appeal therefrom by the Commonwealth or the company or corporation shall lie to the court of common pleas of said county within thirty days after confirmation absolute and upon issue framed by the court of common pleas the damages shall then be ascertained as in similar cases subject to an appeal to the Superior or Supreme Courts as the case may be The said court of quarter sessions may in its discretion appoint a competent stenographer to keep a faithful record of all proceedings before the viewers and to furnish a full copy of his notes to be attached to and form a part of the record And the said stenographer shall be allowed the same compensation as that paid in their respective county to court stenographers and each viewer shall be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each day necessarily employed which together with the compensation allowed the said setenographer shall be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding and be paid as hereinafter provided Immediately upon agreement reached or upon completion of any court proceedings and acceptance of the appraisement or verdict

by the Commissioner the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expense of proceedings in condemnation and the said turnpike toll-road abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge shall become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls Provided That if the amount of damages as finally awarded shall be deemed excessive by the State Highway Commissoiner he may refuse to accept the appraisement or verdict and may then omit said turnpike or toll-road or abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge from the aforesaid route of State highway and all court costs and costs of jury proceedings shall thereupon be paid by the State Highway Department and by necessary divergence therefrom he may select and adopt the next best and most suitable and convenient route or road in order to connect up and complete a continuous State highway and thereafter such diverged route or road shall be taken and remain and be as much a part of the State highways of the Commonwealth as though otherwise particularly described in this act Provided further That at any time during the proceedings in condemnation after the filing of the original petition of the State Highway Commissioner the said Highway Commissioner with the consent and approval of the Governor may after ten days' notice to the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway abandoned right of way or toll-bridge present to the said court of quarter sessions of the proper county a declaration of his intention to immediately enter upon and take the said turnpike toll-road abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge and to pay or cause to be paid to the said owner or owners such amount of damages as shall be assessed in the manner provided for by this act and all costs and expenses of the said proceedings which declaration shall contain a certificate of the State Highway Commissioner that sufficient funds to pay all possible damages costs and expenses of said proceedings have been appropriated by the Legislature and are available for this specific purpose and upon presentation of said declaration the said court shall mark the same filed of record in said proceedings whereupon the funds in the hands of the State Highway Commissioner or in the State Treasury and specifically appropriated to the use of the State Highway Commissioner shall be pledged and deemed as security for all damgaes done or suffered or which shall accrue by reason of the taking of said turnpike toll-road abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge and the said turnpike toll-road abandoned right of way or part thereof or toll-bridge shall immediately become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls and the same may then be improved and maintained by the State Highway Commissioner in the manner provided by this act and upon completion of the proceedings in condemnation the State Highway Commissioner shall accept the appraisement and verdict 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Highway Commissioner and the same shall remain and be operated and controlled by the owners thereof as heretofore until such time as the work of improvement of all other State highways and parts or portions thereof shall have been completed And provided further If in the judgment of the State Highway Commissioner local or special conditions of any of said turnpikes or toll-roads or abandoned rights of way or any part or parts thereof or toll-bridges are such as tend to interfere with or inconvenience travel thereon and shall sooner require the purchase improvement and control thereof by the State then upon the approval of the Governor such turnpike or turnpikes or toll-roads abandoned rights of way or part or parts thereof or toll-bridge or toll-bridges so affected by such local or special conditions shall be taken over in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided however That the county or counties in which any such toll-bridge or bridges is located shall pay at least one-half of the expense of freeing such toll-bridge or bridges

In the case of an abandoned right of way any right title or interest in or to such right of way or any part thereof of any individual or corporation other than the railroad or railway company owning such right of way shall be acquired in like manner as the interest of the railroad or railway company

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads for the purposes of amendment.

Mr. JONES. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and receiving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated towns and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by the provisions of this act"

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Route one hundred and sixty-three of section six of the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough

or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by the State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" which reads as follows

"Route One Hundred and Sixty-three From Allentown to Mauch Chunk Commencing at a point on the boundary line of the City of Allentown and running by way of Stetlersville Schnecksville Newhard Slatington and Lehigh Gap to a point on the dividing line between Lehigh and Carbon counties thence by way of Bowmanstown Deissport, and Lehighton into Mauch Chunk Carbon County"

is hereby amended to read as follows

Route One Hundred Sixty-three From Allentown to Mauch Chunk Commencing at a point on the boundary line of the City of Allentown and running by way of Stetlersville Schnecksville Newhard Slatington to Walnutport and Lehigh Gap to a point on the dividing line between Lehigh and Carbon counties thence by way of Bowmanstown Weissport and Lehighton into Mauch Chunk Carbon County

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads for the purposes of a hearing.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 295, as follows:

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred forty-four) entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred forty-four) entitled "A Further Supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces'" as amended by an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eight) entitled "An Act amending section three of an act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces' approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four enlarging the same so as to include indignities to the person of the husband" which clause as amended reads as follows

"Where a wife shall have by cruel and barbarous treatment or indignities to his person rendered the condition of her husband intolerable or life burdensome (Provided That in case of divorce under this act if the application shall be made on the part of the husband the court granting such divorce may allow such support or alimony to the wife as her husband's circumstances may admit of and as said court may deem just and proper") is hereby further amended so as to read as follows

3 Where a wife shall have by cruel and barbarous treatment or indignities to his person rendered the condition of her husband intolerable or life burdensome

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be Transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 293, entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

The first section was separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred) as reported in the Pamphlet Laws of the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen is hereby corrected to read in conformity with the original copy on file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth that is to say

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pensylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever heretofore the council of any incorporated borough of this Commonwealth has required by ordinance and caused to be graded paved curbed or macadamized with brick stone or other suitable material or otherwise improved any public street or thoroughfare or part thereof either cartway or foot-walk or both or is now causing such grading paving curbing or macadamizing pursuant to such ordinance but owing to some defect in the petition notice or other proceeding necessary under existing law and ordinance to give jurisdiction to such council or owing to some defect in the ordinance or for any other reason the cost of such improvement or a portion thereof cannot be legally assessed upon the property bounding or abutting upon the street or part thereof improved or owing to some defect in the statement of claim filed to secure the lien for the cost of such improvement payment thereof cannot be enforced as was contemplated by the act or acts of the General Assembly under which the improvement was attempted to be made and statement of claim filed now by this act such improvements are made valid and binding and the council of such incorporated borough may cause the property bounding or abutting upon the street or part thereof upon which the improvement has been made or is now being made to be assessed in the manner now provided by law with such a portion of the cost of such improvement as is contemplated by the law under which the improvement was made or is now being made Such assessment shall be a lien upon the property assessed The lien shall date from the completion of the improvement for which the assessment is made and shall remain a lien until fully paid and satisfied Provided That a writ of scire facias is issued to revive the same during every period of five years after a lien is filed as hereinafter provided

The preamble was separately read and agreed to as follows:

Whereas Through an error in printing in the Pamphlet Laws the first and second lines of section one of the act of May fourteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred) entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" were made to read as follows

"That section five of an tofore the council of any incor--porate borough of this" and

Whereas It appears from the original copy of said act on file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonweadth that said first two lines should read as follows

"That whenever heretofore the council of any incorporated borough of this" therefore

The title was read as follows:

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 1, by inserting after the word "act" the following: "approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 657, as follows:

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first day of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the salaries of all writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants are hereby fixed at one thousand two hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum for each writ server and each process server

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or supplied by this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 337 (Senate Bill No. 34) entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Mr. WEST. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 225, File Folio 755, page 13 of to-day's calendar, bills on second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 225, entitled

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons, either in property or person, upon any property owned by said county, city, borough or township, or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township, and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

The first, second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act any person or persons who shall receive any injury either in person or property upon any of the property belonging to or roads streets highways under the jurisdiction of any county city borough or township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for which such county city borough or township may be or may become liable shall within sixty days from the date of such injury either in person or by some one on his her or their behalf notify in writing the hereinafter designated officer or officers of such county city borough or township setting forth the time and place of the receipt of such injury together with the nature and exact cause thereof In the event of death such notice may be given by the personal representative or by the person or persons entitled to recover therefor

Section 2 If the said injury occurs in or upon any property belonging to or road street or highway under the control or jurisdiction of any county of this Commonwealth the notice hereinbefore required shall be given either to the county commissioners or to their chief clerk if in a city either to the mayor city clerk or city solicitor if in a borough either to the burgess or to the borough clerk and if in a township either to the township commissioners supervisors or the clerk thereof

Section 3 The notice hereinbefore required shall set forth the following facts

(a) The time the injury was received

(b) The location upon the property road street or highway where the injury was received

(c) The nature of the injury received either to person or property

(d) The causes of the injury

Section 4 That in the event of the failure to give the notice setting forth the facts required by sections one and three of this act no recovery for damages of any kind or nature whatsoever for the injuries resulting therefrom either to person or property may be had against any such county city borough or township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

The title was read as follows:

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county city borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons either in property or person upon any property owned by the said county city borough or township or road street or highway within the said county city borough or township and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. WEST. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 6, by inserting before the word "road" the word "upon any."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 674 (Senate Bill No. 23), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken as follows, viz.

YEAS—197.

Albee,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sones,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Helt,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Canon,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Christman,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rich,	Walker,
Curry,	Laucks,	Richards,	Wallace,
Dale,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Robertson,	West,
Dean,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Mangan,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Scott,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

Mr. MILLIRON in the Chair.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 511 (Senate No. 155), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I move you that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, my reason for asking for postponement is in order to get an explanation from the gentleman representing the sponsor of this bill.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I am perfectly familiar with this bill. This commission was appointed at the last session of the Legislature. Inadvertently the appropriation was not made then that the bill provided for when it was passed. This Legislature naturally supposed it was included in the other appropriation bills of that session. This only covers an error made in that session.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz.

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baker,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milner,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Laucks,	Richards,	Walter,
Dale,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rinn,	West,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dell,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—1.

Miller, G. J. A.,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House had passed the same without amendment.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 553, File Folio 467, on page 1 of to-day's calendar, Bills on Final Passage Postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 553, entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts or parts of acts of assembly relating to labor

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, This is the bill which was among a series of repealers on the calendar two weeks ago. It was postponed at that time at the request of the gentleman from Lackawanna, who then desired an opportunity to examine it more carefully, and it was postponed at that time in order to give him that opportunity. He now states that he has examined it and that he is entirely satisfied with it.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—200.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, F. L.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Dale,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dell,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McKay,	Shattuck,	
Fackler,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 392, File Folio 247, on page 7 of to-day's calendar, Bills on Third Reading Postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the Third Reading and consideration of House Bill No. 392, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five authorizing and establishing a board of recreation for the creation organization care management conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-nine) by changing the number of the members of the Board of Recreation their length of term and the officers to be elected.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I will request the gentleman from Philadelphia, who introduced this bill, to explain its provisions.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, very briefly I want to say that this bill simply increases the number of members of the Board of Recreation from five to seven, because the present Board has had too much work to do and they serve without pay.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—200.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, F. L.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Dale,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dell,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McKay,	Shattuck,	
Fackler,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. MEARKLE asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 509 from page 7 of to-day's calendar, Bills on Third Reading, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 509 (Senate Bill No. 118), entitled

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments to this bill.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 9, page 7, line 20, by striking out the word "private."

Amend Section 15, page 12, line 3, by striking out the word "side-paths" and inserting "subways" in place thereof.

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments read? The Chair hears no objection and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Mr. BEYER asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 728, File Folio 653, on page 4 of to-day's calendar, Bills on Third Reading, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 728, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high cost of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on Third Reading?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments to this bill.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend page 5, line 3, by striking out the word "thirteenth" and inserting "thirtieth."

Amend page 5, line 2, by striking out the word "March" and inserting the word "April."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments as read? The Chair hears no objection and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Mr. RICH asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 447 on the Third Reading Calendar, page 5, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 447, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms billiard rooms bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and to regulate the time for closing the same

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 1, line 11, by striking out the word "room" and inserting in lieu thereof "rooms."

Amend Section 1, page 3, line 1, by inserting the word "shall" after the word "thereof."

By inserting after the word "dollars" in line 4, page 3, the following: "for each offense to be collected by process of summary conviction before any magistrate or justice of the peace as like fines and penalties are now by law collected."

Amend title, line 1, by inserting after the word "of" the following: "An Act approved the eighteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled."

Amend title, line 2, by inserting after the word "of" the word "public."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Mr. DUNN asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 675 (Senate Bill No. 74), on the third reading calendar, page 5, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 675 (Senate Bill No. 74), entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Amend section 3, page 4, line 14, by striking out the word "prescribed" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "prescribed."

Amend section 5, page 6, line 17, by striikng out the word "Lisensure" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Licensure."

Amend section 6, page 7, line 7, by striking out the word "entitled" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "entitle."

Amend section 12, page 12, line 18, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nor."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Mr. BEYER asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 248 on the Third Reading Calendar, page 5, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 248, entitled

An act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulation partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Page 1, line 13, insert after the word "Tions" the words "then unfinished."

Page 2, line 1, strike out after the word "person" the word "not."

Page 2, line 7, strike out after the word "partnership" the word "have" and insert the word "has."

Page 2, line 20, insert after the word "hereby" the word "amended."

Page 3, line 5, strike out after the word "knowledge" the word "of" and insert the word "or."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 497 (Senate Bill No. 37), entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of an county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair building or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or re-build any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fouth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair building or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than two hundred and fifty dollars" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 5 This act shall not apply to any contract for the repair building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—194.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Erdman,	McCaig,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shunk,
Baker,	Flynn,	McKay,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Barner,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Sones,
Black,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Horne,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Cox,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Curry,	Jennings,	Rich,	Weimer,
Dale,	Jones,	Richards,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Leary,	Rogers,	Wood,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Drake,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Eby,	Maurer,	Scott,	

NAYS—5.

Mervine,	Musser,	Reitzel,	Stofflet,
Miller, G. J. A.,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 327 (Senate Bill No. 5), entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—197.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Aron,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Conner,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Dale,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drake,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—1.

McCurdy,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 329 (Senate Bill No. 6), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section first of the act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor, and fixing his term of appointment and salary,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand and more than one million four hundred thousand," approved the eighth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—200.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Baker,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Black,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Brady,	Helt,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	West,
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 330 (Senate Bill No. 10), entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—199.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Baker,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milner,	Spangler,
Black,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Musser,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Neary,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Perry,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rich,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin, Speaker.
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Scott,	

NAYS—1.

Sones,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 331 (Senate No. 12), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, I should like very much if some member of the House would give some reason why the Act of 1915 should be repealed. The act of 1915, as I remember it, makes reasonable regulations relative to the disposition of dockets of aldermen and justices of the peace, and I hope very much that some member of the House will be able to tell us why it should be repealed. In order to give some one an opportunity to do that, I move that further consideration of the bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 679 (Senate No. 194), entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—198.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aron,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brady,	Hess,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Christman,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Curry,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	
Fackler,	McNichol,	Showalter,	

NAYS—3.

Eby,	Horne,	Maurer,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 477, as follows:

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be lawful for any Fraternal Beneficiary Association or corporation chartered created or existing under the laws of any other state for beneficial or protective purposes to the members thereof from funds collected therein to take hold and enjoy in any part of this Commonwealth either in its associate or corporate name or by a trustee or trustees real estate and premises in which such association or corporation shall carry on business and to mortgage or convey the same or any part thereof and to lease any part of the buildings erected thereon not requisite for the transaction of their said business

Section 2. That the title to any real estate in this Commonwealth now held by or in trust for any such association or corporation for the purpose aforesaid is hereby confirmed to the same effect as if the said real estate had been purchased held or owned under the provisions of this act

Section 3 That all acts of Assembly or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, this bill appears to be listed as file folio 685, but it does not appear in my file at 685.

Mr. SPEAKER. The file folio of the bill is 709. File folio 685 being a printer's error.

Mr. STERLING. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the sponsor of this bill and inquire from him what the purpose is.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. STERLING. Mr. Speaker, I desire to know the purpose of this bill.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, this bill is simply to assist foreign fraternal beneficiary associations to transact their business in this State.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to further interrogate the sponsor of this bill.

The Speaker. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Gans, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. GANS. Yes, sir, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to know if this bill gives to a fraternal society any additional power to what is now not allowed by the Federal Government, namely, any fraternal beneficiary or foreign society to own property in this country, which is not allowed by some Federal law at this time. Does it give any additional power that would be contrary to the Federal law?

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, it does not.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—197.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aston,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Black,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Musser,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jones,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Wagner,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	West,
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McKay,		Speaker.

NAYS—1.

Rothenberger,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and cinsideration of House Bill No. 364 as follows:

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of every person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk for cash or on credit before paying to the vendor or his agent or representative or delivering to the vendor or his agent any part of the purchase price thereof or any promissory note or other evidence therefor to demand of and receive from such vendor or agent or if the vendor or agent be a corporation then from the President Vice-President Secretary or Managing Agent of such corporation a written statement sworn to substantially as hereinafter provided of the names and addresses of all the creditors of the said vendor to whom said vendor may be indebted together with the amount of the indebtedness due or owing and to become due or owing by said vendor to each of such creditors And it shall be the duty of said vendor or agent to furnish said statement which shall be verified by an oath to the following effect

State of Pennsylvania ss
County of
Before me personally appeared (vendor or agent as the case may be) who being by me first duly sworn upon his oath does depose and say that the foregoing statement contains the names of all the creditors of (the name of the vendor) together with their addresses and that the amount set opposite each of said respective names is the amount now due and owing and which shall become due and owing by (vendor) to such creditors and that there are no creditors holding claims due or which shall become due for or on account of goods wares or merchandise purchased upon credit or on account of money borrowed to carry on the business of which said goods are a part other than as set forth in said statement and in this affidavit are within the personal knowledge of affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of
(Title of officer taking oath)

Section 2 Thereupon it shall be the duty of the person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk at least ten (10) days before the completion of said purchase or the payment therefor to notify personally or by registered mail each of said creditors of the said vendor of said proposed sale the price to be paid therefor the terms and conditions thereof and a copy of the statement of creditors provided for in Section 1 of this Act

Section 3 Whenever any person shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk for cash or on credit and shall pay any part of the purchase price or execute or deliver to the vendor thereof or to his order or to any person for his use any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness for said purchase price or any part thereof without first having demanded and received from said vendor or from his agent the statement provided for in Section 1 of this Act and verified as there provided and without paying or seeing to it that the purchase money of said property is applied to the payment of the bona fide claims of the creditors of the vendor prorata as shown upon such verified statement and without first having sent the notices of said sale and said statement of creditors as provided for in Section 2 of this Act then such sale or transfer shall be fraudulent and voidable Provided however that no proceeding at law or equity shall be brought against the purchaser to invalidate any such sale after the expiration of ninety days from the consummation thereof

Section 4 Any vendor of any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk or any person who is acting for or on behalf of any vendor who shall knowingly or wilfully make or deliver or cause to be made or delivered a statement as provided for in Section 1 of this Act which shall not include the names of all of the creditors of such vendor with the correct amount due and to become due to each of them or which shall contain any false or untrue statement shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding Five Thousand ($5,000) Dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding six months or both or either at the discretion of the court

Section 5 A sale and transfer or attempted sale and transfer in bulk in contemplation of this act shall be deemed to be any sale or transfer in bulk of the whole or a large part of any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise otherwise than in the ordinary course of trade and in the regular and usual prosecution of the seller's business Provided however that if such vendor produces and delivers a written waiver of the provisions of this Act from his creditors as shown by such verified statements then in that case the provisions of this Act shall not apply

Section 6 Nothing contained in this act shall apply to sales made under any order of a Court or to any sales made by executors assignees for the benefit of creditors administrators receivers or any public officer in his official capacity or by any officer of a Court

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the sponsor of this bill.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Stadtlander, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire as to how this bill changes the law, I think, of 1905, known as the bulk sales law. Does that increase—to be specific, does it increase the restrictions or make them more lax?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, it increases the restrictions and places upon the vendee the duty of setting out the terms of the sale and also requires a form of affidavit not required in the Act of 1905.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to further interrogate the gentleman from Allegheny.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Allegheny permit himself to be further interrogated?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire as to whether this act requires the vendee to see that the purchase money is properly applied.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I would refer the gentleman to section 3, line 23, as follows: "without paying or seeing to it that the purchase money of said property is applied to the payment of the bonafide claim of the creditors of the vendor."

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Allegheny.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Allegheny allow himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask if section 3 does not make a trustee out of the vendee and whether he would not under the provisions of this bill be subject to account in equity or at law for the proceeds of the purchase money—in other words, that he would be put in the position of an assignee for the benefit of the creditors.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, he merely looks to it to the extent that the purchasing money is properly applied.

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, the bulk sales act of 1905 is in many respects a very beneficial act. It is similar to the New York act and has been sustained by our appellate courts on the reasoning of the New York courts. To add this complication to it might destroy the effect of it. If you go and buy out a man in financial failing circumstances, you have to see to the application of the purchase money pro rata. In other words, you perform the duties of an auditor appointed by the court to distribute the funds of the insolvent estate. It is all right to prevent property being made away with and creditors cheated, but this puts such a fetter on it that it is a great question whether or not it would not be an error to cloud a business community by an act of this kind. Every man who buys a stock of this sort would become a trustee and would have to make this distribution, there being no method pointed in the act how he could be relieved from that responsibility. He would have to see that it would go pro rata. Now, gentlemen, if you want to inflict that upon a community it is all well and good, but it is well to see the effect of it before you vote for it.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—79.

Aston,	Golder,	Perry,	Sprowls,
Benninger,	Hecht,	Pickering,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Powell,	Stern,
Bidelspacher,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Boyd,	Horton,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Sullivan,
Brady,	Laucks,	Rich,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Lauler,	Richards,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Luppert,	Ringler,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Malie,	Rininger,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Mangan,	Rinn,	Walker,
Dawson,	McArdle,	Robertson,	Wallace,
Dean,	McCullough,	Rogers,	Wells,
Drake,	Mearkle,	Ross,	West,
Drinkhouse,	Miller, C. G.,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Fackler,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Ruddy,	Wickman,

Flynn,	Milliron,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Franklin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Smith, E. R.,	Wynne,
Gans,	Neary,	Smith, F. I.,	Zanders,
Geary,	Ogden,	Smith, J. W.,	
Glass,	Patterson,	Somerman,	

NAYS—79.

Albee,	Erdman,	Lohr,	Reynolds,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	Marvin,	Rhoads, H. L.,
Baker,	Goodnough,	McCaig,	Sampsel,
Baldridge,	Goodwin,	McCurdy,	Sarig,
Barner,	Gormley,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Bechtold,	Graeff,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Benchoff,	Graham,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Bennett,	Helt,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Black,	Hess,	Mehring,	Smith, O. W.,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Mervine,	Snyder,
Coldsmith,	Hibshman,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Corbin,	Hoffman,	Miller, Allan,	Stites,
Cummins,	Horne,	Mitchell,	Stoffiet,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Morgan, T.,	Ulsh,
Davis, W.,	Jack,	Murdoch,	Walter,
Dell,	Jennings,	Palmer,	Weimer,
Dewey,	Jones,	Phillips,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	Lanius,	Reitzel,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	Lewis,		

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the bill falls.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act requiring State county and local fair associations to provide on the grounds used for fair or exhibition purposes a sufficient number of public comfort stations or toilets requiring the same to be kept in a sanitary condition and providing penalities for violation of this act

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would like the sponsor of this bill to explain its purposes.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreebly to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 308, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by an animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, on general principles I would favor this bill, but it seems to me that there is an error in a statement which the sponsor of this bill would probably not want interpolated therein. The bill provides that anybody suffering from hydrophobia shall apply to any reputable physician and shall obtain treatment, and then it further provides that the expense thereof shall be paid by the county commissioners upon the filing of a duly itemized voucher under oath. The county commissioners would therefore have no discretion in the matter whatsoever upon the filing of that oath. The county commissioners would be compelled to pay that bill no matter what that bill might be, whether it would be ten dollars, a hundred dollars, or a thousand dollars. I do not think the sponsor of the bill intended that it be put in that way, and for this reason I am opposed to the bill as it stands. I would like to vote for the bill if it would be properly worded.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, this bill is what you might term a humane bill. As the law now stands, if any mad dog bites your hog or sheep or cow or ox or any animal outside of a human being, the law provides that the person who owns the animal shall be recompensed for that loss, but when a human being comes in contact with a mad dog, whether he be threatened with hydrophobia or not, there is no redress. If you will pardon me I will refer to just one incident that occurred in our county in the past few months. Three children were bitten by a mad dog in Mahoning Township, in Armstrong County. They were taken by their father to Pittsburgh for the Pasteur treatment at the Mercy Hospital, but on account of the father not being able to guarantee payment for the treatment, these three children were peddled around in the City of Pittsburgh for two days,—one bitten through the nose and one through the cheek,—that condition existing until this man found some one who would go his security so these children could be admitted to the hospital and payment for this treatment guaranteed. So I say to you it is a humane proposition whether the language of it is correct or not, whether we ought to say that a doctor out in the rural district should treat a case of that kind for ten dollars of three dollars or two dollars, or whether it is better to send them to Pittsburgh or Philadelphia or wherever they have that Pasteur treatment, and have it cost two hundred dollars. It is a matter of mathematics and not a matter of argument. I believe and have faith in any reputable physician of this State to give a correctly itemized bill, and I say, gentlemen, there will be no measure come before this House during this session that has as much humane matter connected with it as the passage of this bill, so that anybody—a human being—will have the same right to a treatment as the dumb brutes of the field, and I ask the members of this House to support it.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the gentleman from Armstrong, Mr. Milliron.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Armstrong, Mr. Milliron, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the gentleman from Armstrong if there is any discretion in the hands of the commissioners to refuse any bill whatsoever that might be handed in by any doctor, no matter how high it may be?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, no; I don't believe that there is any discretion on the part of the commissioners in our county or I presume in any other county, where there is a medical society, the physicians have established fees the same as the attorneys. There is not anything in the laws that give the county commissioners any discretion with regard to a fee from an attorney or any official that performs any function, so I don't believe that we ought to pick out the doctors and make them a mark in this case.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to further ask the gentleman: If that bill would be exorbitant would it be right and fair for the commissioners to pay it?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, the commissioners in our county are such men that usually use very good judgment as to whether a bill is axorbitant or not. The discretion is implied in their office; their oath backs them up. I don't see that there could be any greater safeguard that we can put around this than we have here for the protection of the child. In addition to that, Mr. Speaker, I want to say that this specifies money paid out of the sheep fund. In my own county that amounts to thousands of dollars. I believe that, because I was talking to some gentlemen today, I don't recall from what county, in which they collect some sixteen to seventeen thousands of dollars of dog tax which is not needed in that fund as the amount of sheep that were killed amounted to a little less than five hundred dollars.. There is always a sufficient fund to pay that. The commissioners, as far as I have had any dealings with them, I am willing to trust.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman from Armstrong if he would consent to the insertion of the word "reasonable" before the word "expenses" in the eleventh line? I have known men in my profession to render exorbitant bills.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I will gladly consent to putting that in.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. STOFFLET. Mr. Speaker, It seems to me that it is a question here for the county controllers. If a bill is exorbitant the county controller has the power to refuse to pay it, and if he cannot come to a reasonable agreement with the doctor then it is a matter for the courts to decide.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I might suggest that the discretion of the county commissioner in matters of this kind are the same as in many other matters referred to them for their consideration and to add the word "reasonable" does not answer the question, because if the county commissioners want to pass upon the question as to what is reasonable or not, they may consider an extravagant fee equally as reasonable as one that might not be extravagant. I think we may safely leave the discretion where this bill places it, in the hands of the county commissioners, and I think that if a bill is presented to the county commissioners which they believe to be unreasonable that they won't pay it and the result would be that a law suit follows and a court and jury will be asked to pass upon the bill presented, and decide whether it is a fair return for the service rendered, for that particular case. I take it for granted that hydrophobia is not a matter of daily occurence, but there may be exceptions to the rule, perhaps one out of a thousand in the period of a year, and inasmuch as the money is drawn from the fund for the taxation of dogs, I cannot see why there should be any objection on the appropriation of it which may be made by the county commissioners. They are responsible in their respective counties for the manner in which they use it and they will exercise discretion on these bills in the same manner. They must answer for it and use their discretionary power. I shall, therefore, vote for the bill as it stands and I trust that it will pass.

Mr. CANON. Mr. Speaker, This fund is not large enough now to pay the damage for the killing of sheep. It has always been considered that the tax upon dogs was for a special purpose, and the question is whether it should be payable out of the general fund of the county as it is now paid. It seems to me this phase of the bill, selecting this particular dog tax just now is wrong, and in my judgment it should not be paid out of that fund—raised out of the taxation of dogs. That fund in my own county is already too small to pay the damages that result in the killing of sheep by dogs. Therefore, it is not right that it should be paid out of the dog tax but out of the general fund in the county.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on Third Reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—169.

Aron,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Glass,	Mehring,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Golder,	Mervine,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Siggins,
Barner,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Milliron,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hess,	Musser,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Cox,	Jack,	Powell,	Taylor,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cummins,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rich,	Walter,
Dean,	Lewis,	Richards,	Weimer,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Ringler,	Wells,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rininger,	West,
Drake,	Mangan,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Flynn,	McKay,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Fowler,	McKinney,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Franklin,	McNichol,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Fretz,	McPeake,	Scott,	Speaker.
Gans,	McVicar,		

NAYS—10.

Albee,	Coldsmith,	Eby,	Showalter,
Canon,	Cook,	Malie,	Snyder,
Chestnut,	Corbin,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION GRANTING USE OF THE HALL OF THE HOUSE FOR MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR THE LATE HON. CHARLES J. RONEY, JR.

Mr. FLYNN asked and obtained unanimous consent to offer the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the use of the House be granted to a committee of the House to hold memorial services in honor of the late Charles J. Roney, Jr., on Tuesday evening, March 13th, at 8 o'clock.

The SPEAKER. I would like to call the attention of the House to the fact that with the number of bills on the calendar I think they can be disposed of tomorrow and the Chair will be glad to entertain a motion for adjournment until 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. It will give the members an opportunity to do some committee work in the morning and also give the printer an opportunity to get his work out and have it on the files, and I do not think we will lose any time by adjourning now until tomorrow morning.

I would like to call the attention of the House to the fact that we have now taken a week's recess—some of us, while other members, the Appropriation Commitee, has been working hard all week. Now, I hope the Chair will not have to enforce Rule 48, but unless there is a better attendance than there has been in the past the Chair will feel disposed to enforce that rule. There is, as you know, considerable important legislation to be acted upon some time before this House adjourns, in the matter of revenues and in the matter of appropriations, and if they get proper consideration it is a prety large task. There are a number of members that I notice are willing to stay and work. I notice some of the members, however, have perhaps been called home by important business. It is the wish of the Chair that they defer the important business and give a little more time to seeing if we cannot get through with the little more than a thousand bills that have been presented for our consideration.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn until tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to and (at 11:15 P. M.) the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at 11:00 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, March 13, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. M. D. Lichliter offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, Thou who hast led us as a state and nation in the past, we still look to Thee for our guidance. May the members of this Senate catch the inspiration of our great and matchless history written large by Divine purpose that they may more clearly see the path of duty. Bless us all as we gather in our several stations in life and in our several duties and grant that in all we do the thought of God may direct us and be our controlling motive. We ask through Christ's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

PRAYING AGAINST THE PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 136 AND HOUSE BILL NO. 341.

The Chair presented the petition of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce against the passage of Senate Bill No. 136 and House Bill No. 341.

Which was referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

PROTEST AGAINST THE ACTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JUDICIARY GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE IN PREVENTING THE IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION OF THE CAUSE OF THE INCREASING COST OF FOOD PRODUCTS.

He also presented the petition of Bridesburg Council No. 135, Jr. O. U. A. M., Henry Clay Council No. 7, Jr. O. U. A. M., Federation of Councils Jr. O. U. A. M. and Kensington Council Jr. O. U. A. M. No. 5, protesting against the action of the Chairman of the Judiciary General Committee of the Senate in preventing the immediate investigation of the cause of the increasing cost of food products.

Which were referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Luzerne, Mr. DeWitt.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 263, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the 20th day of April, 1887, entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate, held for poor purposes, in the several counties, boroughs, townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth, and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof," by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor, or poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities, situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth, not exceeding five hundred thousand population."

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 360, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five, section five, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; so as to abolish the office of Associate Judge not learned in the law.

Mr. CRAIG, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 223 (House Bill No. 134), entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder, of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 377, entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, giving the courts power to enforce its provisions" approved the 14th day of May, Anna Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 378, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, and not more than one million two hundred thousand, inhabitants, to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of female children under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts, and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishment, maintenance, and management thereof," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 385 (House Bill No. 120), entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen defining their powers and duties, providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

Also from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 390 (House Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an Act of Congress approved July 11th, 1916, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

Mr. NASON, from the Committee on Game and Fisheries, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 399 (House Bill No. 618), entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain States of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate bill No. 386 (House Bill No. 270), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 11th day of May, A. D. 1911, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 370, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act relating to unused streets, lanes and alleys," approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 231 (House Bill No. 52), entitled

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 468, entitled

An Act to enable two or more boroughs that are contiguous or in close proximity to be united and to become one city, wherever each of said boroughs shall have heretofore voted or shall hereafter vote to become a city of the third class, under laws now enacted or which may hereafter be enacted and wherever each of said boroughs has duly received or shall hereafter duly receive letters patent constituting it a city of the third class, but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed after the granting of such letters patent for the holding of a municipal election; providing for the consequences of such consolidation the government of such consolidated city, the payment of the indebtedness of each of the united territories and the enforcement of debts and claims due to and from each; and fixing the jurisdiction over the said consolidated city in the courts of the county in which the majority of its inhabitants shall reside.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to enlarge cemeteries.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 372, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January 29th, 1863, authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county," approved the 22d day of April, A. D. 1863.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 371, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants, drunkards and other disorderly persons, in the County of Allegheny," approved the 13th day of April, A. D. 1859.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera.

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the Counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York, Mercer, Union, Huntingdon, Luzerne, and Schuylkill," approved the 4th day of May, A. D. 1832; in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 373, entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny County, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny, incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company, relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River, authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown, relative to miners in Schuylkill County, legitimatizing James C. Collins, relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County.

Mr. W. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 326, entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the 28th day of April, 1915, entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 397 (House Bill No. 432), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1909, so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 352, entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

Mr. LEIBY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers, reviewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny," approved the 30th day of March, A. D. 1872.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 365, entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny," approved the 8th day of May, A. D. 1855.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 308 (Senate Bill No. 521), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medi-

cal attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by any animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

House Bill No. 477 (Senate Bill No. 522), entitled

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 392 (Senate Bill No. 523), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five authorizing and establishing a board of recreation for the creation organization care management conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided" approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-nine) by changing the number of the members of the Board of Recreation their length of term and the officers to be elected.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 553 (Senate Bill No. 524), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to labor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 5.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 6.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 6, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section first of the Act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand and more than one million four hundred thousand" approved the eighth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 10.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 10, entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 23.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled, 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for and taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways, wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injury or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act,'" making funds appropriated for State Highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 155.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 155, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 194.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

With the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, approved the first of May, A. D. 1861, entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County,'" approved the eighth day of April, A. D. 1862, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 526, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the several fire companies of the City of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. MILLER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 527, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Bellefonte Hospital, Bellefonte, Centre County, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. SASSAMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 528, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Berks County Tuberculosis Society.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BALDWIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 529, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of town hip or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 530, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Potter.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. J. FRANK GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 531, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies upon any increase of capital to issue the same at a price in excess of par to require payment of such price as a condition to the right to subscribe and also to sell in such manner as the board of directors may prescribe for not less than such price any unsubscribed stock.

Which was committed to the Committed on Insurance.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill No. 520, entitled

An Act relating to the service of the libel and subpoena in proceedings for divorce from the bonds of matrimony in this State, and determining the effect to be given in this State to decrees of divorce granted by the courts of a foreign state or country.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article three of an act, approved the 27th day of June, 1913, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 533, entitled

An Act requiring boards or commissioners having charge of public grounds and parks in cities of the first class to set aside, in certain cases, lands suitable for the erection of a stadium.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 534, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County," approved the sixth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county, issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer, and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' court, in the county of Allegheny, and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors, in Allegheny County, and regulating compensation," approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 539, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act establishing a State Commission of Agriculture; defining its powers and duties, including its powers relative to the Department of Agriculture, and the State Livestock Sanitary Board."

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 387 (House Bill No. 141), entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PHIPPS from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 302 (House Bill No. 217), entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the 25th day of June, 1885, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the 2d day of June, 1891, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the 25th day of June, 1885, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the 21st day of May, 1913, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the 25th day of June, 1885, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the 2d day of June, 1891, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act approved the 25th day of June, 1885, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district or poor district entitled to the tax.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. BUCKMAN offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

In the Senate, March 13, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March nineteenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to meet on Monday evening, March nineteenth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 19, on third reading, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 70, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" the amendments intending to prevent any alteration in the standard subjects of common school education or any lowering of the nature thereof

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,		

NAYS—1.

Smith, R. E.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of Senate Bill No. 201, on final passage postponed for the present, entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

An Act authorizing cities boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates

And said bill having been read at length the third time and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I desire to say to the members of the Senate that this an enabling bill on the part of the owners of a water company that I have in mind particularly, who may desire to lease their plants to a municipality for a number of years. While under the law there is a provision now that water companies, or any public service corporation, may lease to a city, or to a borough, their plant for a definite term of years, courts have decided there is some question as to some operation under the law. This bill has been drawn in accordance with the ordinances of several cities in this Commonwealth requiring the regulation of service corporations in their cities, and to comply with the ordinances and the law, we thought it wise, in order to get plants that may desire

to lease their service corporations to a city in such a position that they could operate, or negotiate the agreement satisfactorily, and come within the law. It does not in any way conflict with the rights of any individual and it simply facilitates operation on the part of the city that desires to either lease a water plant, or an electric light plant, or a gas plant, from private corporations because they have not sufficient money to establish one of their own, and it is not in any way prejudicial to public policy. I desire to ask every Senator to vote for this bill.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—27.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Leiby,	Sassaman,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,
Catlin,	Hindman,	McConnell,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Kline,	Salus,	

NAYS—3.

McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Snyder, P. W.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 117, as follows:

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred and three. (Pamphlet Laws page seventy-nine) by providing that the petition praying for dissolution may be by any owner or owners of capital stock and providing for publication of notice in the proper legal periodical

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof" approved the twenty-seventh day of March one thousand nine hundred and three which reads as follows

"Section 1 That whenever any corporation organized for the purpose of mining for petroleum or other products and marketing the same and owning real estate in any county of this Commonwealth shall have been in existence for the period of thirty years or longer and for the period of ten years or more prior to the passage of this act shall not have been engaged in the business of such mining nor have earned and distributed to the shareholders thereof any dividends out of its net earnings it shall be the duty of the courts of common pleas of any county in which such real estate may be situated upon the petition of the owner or owners of not less than one-third of the capital stock of any such corporation and after personal notice to other known stockholders resident within the county and notice to all others interested by advertisement in at least one newspaper of general circulation published within the county for not less than two months if the facts alleged in the petition be not denied or if denied shall be found by the court to be true to order and decree a dissolution of such corporation and to order and direct the sale of the real estate thereof by a trustee to be appointed for that purpose and to decree distribution of the proceeds of such sale or sales to and among creditors or shareholders entitled thereto in the same manner that the real estate of other dissolved corporations is now sold and the proceeds thereof distributed under the discretion of said courts" be amended to read as follows

"Section 1 That whenever any corporation organized for the purpose of mining for petroleum or other products and marketing same and owning real estate in any county of this Commonwealth shall have been in existence for the period of thirty years or longer and for the period of ten years or more prior to the passage of this act shall not have been engaged in the business of such mining nor have earned and distributed to the shareholders thereof any dividends out of its net earnings it shall be the duty of the courts of common pleas of any county in which such real estate may be situated upon the petition of the owner or owners of not less than one-third of the capital stock of any such corporation and after personal notice to other known stockholders resident within the county and notice to all others interested by advertisement in at least one newspaper of general circulation and in the legal periodical if any designated by the rules of court for publication of legal notices published within the county for not less than two months if the facts alleged in the petition be not denied or if denied shall be found by the court to be true to order and decree a dissolution of such corporation and to order and direct the sale of the real estate thereof by a trustee to be appointed for that purpose and to decree distribution of the proceeds of such sale or sales to and among creditors or shareholders entitled thereto in the same manner that the real estate of other dissolved corporations is now sold and the proceeds thereof distributed under the discretion of said courts"

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 148, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 161, entitled

An Act relative to the payment of deposits in banks or trust companies deposited in two names

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 196, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 213, on third reading, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 234 (House Bill No. 162), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 236 (House Bill No. 223), entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 268, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring borough councils township commissioners and supervisors and directors of school districts of the second third and fourth classes to file the auditor's report in prothonotary's office requiring county commissioners to furnish the prothonotary with a book for such purpose and fixing the fees of the prothonotary

be recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 284 (House Bill No. 90), entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Crow,	Jones,	Patton,
Beales,	Daix,	Kline,	Phipps,
Beidleman,	Endsley,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Eyre,	McConnell,	Sproul,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Stewart,

Catlin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Whitten,
Croft,	Jenkins,		

NAYS—4.

Leiby,	Schantz,	Tompkins,	Warner,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of Senate Bill No. 203, on third reading, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 20, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—22.

Buckman,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Catlin,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Croft,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Daix,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—18.

Beidleman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Endsley,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Eyre,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Washers,
Graff, W. P.,	Leiby,	Schantz,	
Haldeman,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the negative.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 119, as follows:

An Act providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That if any vacancy shall occur in the office of tax collector after any borough or township election by reason of the erection of any new township or borough or if the duly qualified electors of any borough or township shall fail to elect a tax collector or when a tax collector that has been elected shall fail to qualify or shall fail or neglect to perform the duties of such office or shall neglect to give bond on or before the fourth day of the term of quarter sessions ensuing his election or if any other vacancy shall occur by death resignation or otherwise the county commissioners of the county in which such vacancy exists shall fill such office by appointing a suitable person resident of the district in which such vacancy exists Such appointment shall be for the unexpired term and upon petition of the borough council or the supervisors or the township commissioners or of ten citizens of the borough or township in which such vacancy exists

Section 2 If no person resident within such district is willing to accept the appointment to fill such vacancy in the office of tax collector the authorities authorized to levy and assess taxes in such district shall petition the county commissioners for the appointment of a tax collector Thereupon the county commissioners may appoint any citizen of the county to collect the taxes in such district

Section 3 That section two of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" and

The act approved the second day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five entitled "An Act providing for the filling of any vacancy in the office of tax collector in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" and

The act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a tax collector to prescribe his duties and compensation in townships and boroughs of this Commonwealth which have heretofore failed or which shall hereafter fail to elect a tax collector and when no citizen of such township or borough is willing to qualify and serve as such tax collector" be and the same are hereby repealed

All other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 156, as follows:

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly declared unconstitutional approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act providing for the construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth authorizing the taking of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction operation and maintenance and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose" and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever heretofore any county of this Commonwealth has by virtue of any resolution of the county commissioners of such county entered into a contract or contracts for the construction of any public highway bridge or tunnel under the provisions of an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act providing for the construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth authorizing the taking of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction operation and maintenance and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose" approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and six) and has constructed the same in whole or in part but is without power to pay for such work as was actually done under such contract prior to said act being declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court on July first one thousand nine hundred and sixteen now by this act such contract is made valid and binding on such county to the extent only that such work and construction was done or made prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional and such county is hereby authorized and directed to ascertain and pay for all work done and materials furnished under the terms of said contract to the party or parties who performed the same

Such work or such part thereof as was actually done at the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional shall be paid for from county funds out of the county treasury at the prices fixed for the payment of the same under the terms of the contract so entered into in pursuance to the terms of said act

Section 2 Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to make valid any resolution or contract except to the extent that work was actually done and performed prior to the date on which said Act of Assembly was declared unconstitutional

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 180, as follows:

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHugh of Weatherly employed as a game warden and killed while in the performance of his duties

Whereas On Sunday November seventh one thousand nine hundred fifteen Joseph McHugh of Weatherly while in the employ of this Commonwealth as a game warden and while in the performance of his duties was killed and

Whereas In the sudden death of the said Joseph McHugh his widow and three children whose ages are four six and eight years respectively were deprived of means of support and are in urgent need and

Whereas The said Joseph McHugh was a faithful employe and his said family being in needy circumstances are worthy of compensation from the Commonwealth therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the family of the late Joseph McHugh consisting of a widow and three children are hereby granted the privileges and benefits of the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen

Section 2 That the widow and children of the late Joseph McHugh are hereby authorized to make application to the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation in the Department of Labor and Industry or the proper referee for the same benefits and compensation as they would have been entitled to had the said Joseph McHugh been killed since the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen went into effect

Section 3 That the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry or the referee as the case may be is hereby directed to consider the application of the widow and children of the late Joseph McHugh and pay to them such compensation as they would have received had the late Joseph McHugh been killed after the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen became effective

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 228 (House Bill No. 1), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 233 (House Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 244, entitled

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that prosecutions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened; and providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of the violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act, any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations; and providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

The preamble of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Whereas by reason of the advanced conditions of the anthracite mining industry in this Commonwealth and the large percentage of the original amount of anthracite coal now being removed under modern methods and systems of mining large sections of territory improved with residences public schools hospitals churches theatres industrial establishments public buildings water gas and electric light plants and sewage systems erected and constructed for supplying the needs of the inhabitants of the many cities boroughs and municipalities located within the limits of the said anthracite coal fields have been greatly damaged and in some instances wholly destroyed and the lives and health of the inhabitants of such municipalities endangered and the public welfare infringed

And whereas under the modern methods and systems of mining now being pursued in the mining and removing of the said anthracite coal in the said anthracite coal fields the menace to the lives health and welfare of the inhabitants of the said municipalities is and will be increased day by day with the progress of the said industry and the existence of said municipalities imperiled Therefore

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities boroughs and municipalities in this Commonwealth each and every person firm association and corporation engaged in the business of mining preparing and removing anthracite coal within the limits of any city borough or municipality in this Commonwealth shall so conduct and carry on such business of mining and mining operations within the limits or such cities boroughs or municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying and adjacent to such mines mining operations and working and the superstructures residences public schools hospitals churches public buildings theatres industrial establishments water gas and electric light plants sewage systems roads streets and highways thereon erected or constructed as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements on said overlying surface erected or constructed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 5, line 1, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of"

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth sections of the bill were read as follows, and agreed to:

Section 2 That every person individual operator or contractor for the working of a mine or colliery violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than five thousand dollars or undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for not less than ninety days nor more than one year for each and every offense both or either at the discretion of the court

Section 3 Every corporation violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than five thousand dollars

Section 4 Every general manager superintendent or other person in charge of or having supervision of any such mines or mining operation whose owner or operator or contractor for the working of such mine shall have been convicted of a violation of this act shall likewise be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one thousand dollars or undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for not less than ninety days nor more than one year both or either at the discretion of the court

Section 5 That it shall be the duty of the several mine inspectors of the several anthracite coal mine inspection districts of this Commonwealth and of each of said inspectors in addition to the duties now required of them by law to inspect and examine once in every month and as often in addition thereto as conditions may require every mine colliery mining operation and working location within the limits of the city borough or municipality which may be in the territory allotted to the said several inspectors for supervision to inspect and examine such mine colliery or mining operation or working to see that the mining operations carried on in each of said mines and mining operations is conducted in a manner to provide and maintain such support for the overlying surface and the surface adjacent thereto as will prevent the subsidence and the cave-in thereof and to make report of the kind and character of the support provided in each of such mines and mine workings to the chief of the Department of Mines and of every failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him and generally to report the condition of the mines mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation to secure the safety of the said surface and the said superstructures and improvements thereon And he shall and is hereby empowered to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of the provisions of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection and examination

Section 6 That prosecutions for violations of the provisions of this act may also be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered or injured

Section 7 A subsidence of the surface or cave-in within the limits of any municipality shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this act by the owner operator or contractor for the working of the underlying coal mine or mining operation conducted or carried on at the point of or underneath such subsidence or cave-in

Section 8 A prosecution for a violation of the provisions of this act may be commenced and prosecuted at any time within two years next succeeding the time when any subsidence caused by mining operations or by failure to provide and maintain surface support required by the provisions of this act becomes visible upon the overlying surface

Section 9 That whenever any mine or mining operation made subject to the provisions of this act is or threatens to be so conducted as to be contrary to law or prejudicial to the interests and welfare of the community proceedings may be instituted and maintained by any municipality or person to restrain such operations by injunction which remedy or procedure and the restraints growing out of the same shall be in addition to and independent of any remedy provided by this act and independent and in addition to any action by the mine inspectors by virtue of the provisions of this act

Section 10 The provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending in any of the courts of this Commonwealth All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to.

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons firms associations corporations owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures residences public schools hospitals churches public buildings theatres industrial establishments water gas and electric light plants and sewage systems roads streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed And making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors in addition to the duties now required by law to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him And to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection.

And providing also that prosecutions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered injured or threatened

And providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this act by the owner operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in

And providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations

And providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 244, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 317, as follows

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any borough town or township to become a city of the third class under the provisions of section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-eight Number three hundred sixty-seven) or under the amendment to said section entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto' by providing for formation of such cities from parts of two or more con-

tiguous counties" approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred six) where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of becoming a city of the third class are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding that the ballots used in such elections were not in the form prescribed by said acts and by the act entitled "An Act to regulate the nomination and election of public officers requiring certain expenses incident thereto to be paid by the several counties and punishing certain offenses in regard to such elections" approved the tenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred nineteen) and the amendments thereof All letters patent issued or to be issued by the Governor in pursuance of every such election are hereby made valid Provided All other requirements of law concerning such election have been complied with

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 318, as follows

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 Any borough or township or part of a township adjoining any city of the third class and being a part of the county in which the same is situated may be annexed to such adjoining city in the following manner namely In case of a borough the town council may pass an ordinance for such annexation whenever three-fifth of the taxable inhabitants of such borough shall present a petition asking therefor in the case of a township or part of a township wherever three-fifth of the taxable inhabitants of such township or part of a township shall present a petition to council of said city asking for such annexation which said petition in case a part only of a township desires to be admitted shall be accompanied by a plot of the same" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Any borough or township or part of a township adjoining any city of the third class and being a part of the county in which the same is situated or being located in a different county or partly in a different county from that in which the city or the largest part of the city is located may be annexed to such adjoining city in the following manner namely In case of a borough the town council may pass an ordinance for such annexation whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such borough shall present a petition asking therefor in the case of a township or part of a township whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such township or part of a township shall present a petition to council of said city asking for such annexation which said petition in case a part only of a township desires to be admitted shall be accompanied by a plot of the same

Section 2 That section three of article three of said act which reads as follows

Section 3 The action of said city council after ten days shall be final and conclusive unless an appeal therefrom be taken within said ten days to the court of quarter sessions of the county upon such appeal the clerks of said city council and of said borough council shall certify to the said court all the papers and proceedings in the case whereupon the court shall examine and inquire and if the proceedings appear to have been in conformity with the law shall approve the same and thereupon said annexation shall take effect" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The action of said city council after ten days shall be final and conclusive unless an appeal therefrom be taken within said ten days to the court of quarter sessions of the proper county upon such appeal the clerks of said city council and of said borough council shall certify to the said court all the papers and proceedings in the case whereupon the court shall examine and inquire and if the proceedings appear to have been in conformity with the law shall approve the same and thereupon said annexation shall take effect

Section 3 That section five of article three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 Whenever any borough township or part thereof out-lots or section of land shall be annexed to an adjoining or adjacent city as hereinbefore provided it shall be the duty of the court upon petition and proof to make such order or decree as will give to the people of the annexed territory representation in the government of the said city by including said territory within the limits of an adjacent ward or wards or by creating a new ward or wards thereof and said court shall in case of the creation of new wards or ward appoint the election officers and place for holding the first election of ward officers and for that purpose may order a special election if said court shall deem the same necessary to be conducted in the manner provided by law for conducting municipal elections The officers elected at such special election shall hold their respective offices until their successors who are hereby required to be elected at the municipal election held on the Tuesday following immediately after the first Monday of November in the odd-numbered year next succeeding the same shall be duly qualified" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 Whenever any borough township or part thereof out-lots or section of land shall be annexed to an adjoining or adjacent city as hereinbefore provided it shall be the duty of the court of the county in which the city or the larger part of the city is located upon petition and proof to make such order or decree as will give to the people of the annexed territory representation in the government of the said city by including said territory within the limits of an adjacent ward or wards or by creating a new ward or wards thereof and said court shall in case of the creation of new wards or ward appoint the election officers and place for holding the first election of ward officers and for that purpose may order a special election if said court shall deem the same necessary to be conducted in the manner provided by law for conducting municipal elections The officers elected at such special election shall hold their respective offices until their successors who are hereby required to be elected at the municipal election held on the Tuesday following immediately after the first Monday of November in the odd-numbered year next succeeding the same shall be duly qualified

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 333, as follows

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the police department in cities of the third class providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act no person or persons may be appointed to any positions whatever in the police department in any city of the third class in this Commonwealth without having first passed all the examinations hereinafter provided for and having been appointed in the manner and according to the terms and provisions and conditions of this act

Section 1 There shall be appointed and constituted in all said cities of the third class a civil service board consisting of three citizens who shall be elected by the city council and who shall serve for four years and until their successors are elected and qualified One of the said citizens shall be an educator and one shall be a physician At the first election the said council shall elect one person to serve for two years one person to serve for three years and one person to serve for four years and upon the expiration of the term of any member of said board one person shall be elected by the city council to serve upon said board for the term of four years If any vacancies occur they shall be filled by the city council for the unexpired term Each of said members before entering upon the duties of his office shall take and subscribe to the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution of Pennsylvania and file the same duly certified by the officer administering it with the controller of the city No salary or otherwise compensation shall be paid to any member of the said board two members of the board shall constitute a quorum necessary for the transaction of business and said board shall organize under this act for the purpose of transacting all business immediately upon the passage of this act

Section 3 The board shall immediately upon organization prepare and adopt such rules and regulations to cover the selection and appointment of all persons to be hereafter employed or appointed in the police department in said cities of the third class as in the judgment of said board shall be best adapted to securing the best service for the public in said department and such rules and regulations shall provide for ascertaining and determining so far as possible the physical qualifications habits reputation standing experience and education of all applicants for such positions respectively and they shall provide for examinations upon any and all subjects deemed proper or necessary by said board for the purpose of determining their qualifications for the position sought and applied for

Section 4 Said board shall make and keep in numerical order a list containing the names of all applicants for positions in said police department who may pass the re-

quired mental and physical examinations Where more than one person takes examinations for any of said positions at the same time those successfully passing such examination shall be entered upon the list of eligible names in the order of their respective percentage the highest coming first the board shall furnish the council a certified copy of any and all lists so prepared and kept Wherever any vacancy shall occur or any appointment be required in said police department the city council shall make written application to the president of said board who shall forthwith certify to the city council in writing the first three names on the list of applicants for positions in the police department and thereupon the superintendent of the department of public affairs shall nominate to the city council one of the three persons whose names are submitted to fill such positions and if the city council approves such nominations the person nominated shall be appointed to fill such vacancy and shall be assigned for service in the police department If the council do not approve such nomination then the superintendent of the department of public affairs shall submit another nomination for such position from the remaining two names and if such nomination is not approved by the council he shall submit the third name and the person of the three submitted whose nomination by the superintendent is approved by the city council shall be appointed to fill such a position in the police department The name of the person so appointed shall be immediately stricken from the list of said board and the names of the two rejected persons shall immediately be restored to their former place in said list

Section 5 Provisions of this act shall apply to all employes of the said police department and all appointments made under the provisions of this act shall be for and during good behavior and no employe shall be removed or transferred for any political reasons whatever Provided further however That among those persons possessing equal qualifications and eligibility for appointment preference in appointment shall be given to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the time of war And provided further That all persons holding appointments in said police department of said cities at the time this act goes into effect shall remain in office without being required to pass examination and shall be removed only in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided further That in the case of riot or emergency temporary appointments in the said department may be made without complying with the provisions of this act

Section 6 All employes of said police department shall be subject to suspension by the superintendent of the department of public affairs for misconduct or violation of any law of this Commonwealth any ordinance of the city or regulation of the said police department pending action by the city council upon the charges made against any such employes and on hearing before the city council where they may be represented by counsel they may be fined suspended or discharged by the city council if found guilty of the charges made against them

Section 7 The said civil service board may appoint a secretary and prescribe his duties He shall be subject to removal at any time by the board and the board shall have power to change his duties The compensation to be paid said secretary provided for by this act and all necessary stationery and supplies for said board shall be such as council shall by ordinance direct

Section 8 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 333, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 342, as follows

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats and providing a penalty" giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Board of Commissioners of Navigation for the river Delaware and its navigable tributaries shall have jurisdiction and are hereby required to enforce the provisions of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-nine) entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats and providing a penalty" so far as relates to the waters under the control of said Board of Commissioners Provided That the enforcement of such regulations shall not extend to impair or in any way infringe on the mutual arrangements entered into by this State and the State of New Jersey

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 344, as follows

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and licensing of certain operators by the State Highway Department prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated or without the consent of the owner forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles or licensing of any operator or regulating the speed of motor vehicles by any county borough city incorporated town or township establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and licensing of certain operators by the State Highway Department prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated or without the consent of the owner forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles or licensing of any operator or regulating the speed of motor vehicles by any county borough city incorporated town or township establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder" which reads as follows

"Speed"

"Section 14 No person shall operate a motor vehicle on the public highways of the State recklessly or at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper having regard to the width traffic and use of the highway or so as to endanger property or the life or limb of any person but no person shall drive a motor vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding one (1) mile in two and one-half (2½) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing more than five thousand (5,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one mile in four (4) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighting over ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one mile in five (5) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing over fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one (1) mile in six (6) minutes Provided That the local authorities having charge of any of the highways may in dangerous or built up sections place signs marked 'Danger run slow' in letters not less than five (5) inches in height Said signs to be placed at right angles to and plainly legible from the highway and facing the traffic the speed of which is to be reduced and at these places the speed limit shall not exceed a rate of a mile in four minutes for a distance beyond said sign of not more than one-quarter of a mile and if such highway is still in a dangerous or built-up section a second sign similar to the above-described may be erected and the speed limit shall not exceed the rate of a mile in four minutes for not more than a quarter of a mile beyond said sign and as many signs may be erected as may be necessary At the end of said dangerous or built-up section shall be erected a sign reading 'End of fifteen mile limit' in letters not less than five (5) inches in height said signs to be placed at right angles to the highway and facing

the traffic When a motor vehicle meets or overtakes a street passenger car which has stopped for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers the motor vehicle shall not pass said car on the side on which passengers get on or off until the car has started or until any passenger who may have alighted shall have reached the side of the road or any passenger who may be about to board the car shall have done so" is hereby amended to read as follows

Speed

Section 14 No person shall operate a motor vehicle on the public highways of the State recklessly or at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper having regard to the width traffic and use of the highway or so as to endanger property or the life or limb of any person but no person shall drive a motor vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding one (1) mile in two and one-half (2½) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing more than five thousand (5,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicles and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one mile in four (4) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing over ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one (1) mile in five (5) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing over fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one (1) mile in six (6) minutes Provided That the local authorities having charge of any of the highways shall in dangerous or built up sections place signs marked "Danger run slow" in letters not less than five (5) inches in height Such sign shall also bear the name of the city borough town or village in letters of the same size Said signs to be placed at right angles to and plainly legible from the highway and facing the traffic the speed of which is to be reduced and at these places the speed limit shall not exceed a rate of a mile in four minutes for a distance beyond said sign of not more than one-quarter of a mile and if such highway is still in a dangerous or built-up section a second sign similar to the above-described may be erected and the speed limit shall not exceed the rate of a mile in four minutes for not more than a quarter of a mile beyond said sign and as many signs may be erected as may be necessary At the end of said dangerous or built-up section shall be erected a sign reading "End of fifteen mile limit" in letters not less than five (5) inches in height said signs to be placed at right angles to the highway and facing the traffic Such sign shall also bear the name of the city borough town or village in letters of the same size When a motor vehicle meets or overtakes a street passenger car which has stopped for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers the motor vehicle shall not pass said car on the side on which passengers get on or off until the car has started or until any passenger who may have alighted shall have reached the side of the road or any passenger who may be about to board the car shall have done so

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second rading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 346, as follows

An Act requiring counties in certain instances to assist townships of the second class in the construction improvement repair and maintenance of trunk roads and providing the method of procedure

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall assist any township of the second class located within such county in the construction improvement repair or maintenance of trunk roads other than State or State-aid highways when the revenue of such township is insufficient for that purpose

Section 2 Upon the petition of at least five property owners to the court of quarter sessions of the proper county the said court shall appoint five viewers from the county board of viewers other than residents of the township which viewers shall meet upon the road proposed to be constructed improved repaired or maintained The said viewers shall give at least ten days' notice by publication at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation published in the county and shall also give notice thereof by handbills posted in at least ten conspicuous places along the line or in the vicinity of the road prososed to be constructed improved repaired or maintained

Section 3 The said viewers having been sworn or affirmed faithfully justly and impartially to decide and a true report make concerning all matters and things to be submitted to them and in relation to which they are authorized to inquire under the provisions of this act shall view the road affected and shall hear all parties interested and their witnesses having due regard to the number of properties and the rate of taxation necessary for the payment of the construction improvement repair or maintenance The viewers shall file their report with the said court of quarter sessions within thirty days after such hearing

Section 4 The court shall give ten days' notice in such manner as may be determined by the court of the time when the said court will examine the report and hear objections thereto After such examination and hearing the said court shall decide whether the county commissioners of such county shall give assistance to the township which decision shall be final for all purposes

Section 5 If the said court shall find assistance necessary it shall direct the county commissioners of such county to give the necessary assistance specifying the amount to be expended by the county and the purposes for which said money is to be expended Such construction improvement repair or maintenance shall proceed at the instance of the township supervisors under the supervision of the county commissioners

Section 6 Each of said viewers shall be paid for each day necessarily and actually spent by him in the performance of his duties as now provided by law in relating to viewers from the county board of viewers All costs including court costs and costs of advertising and notices shall be paid out of the treasury of the proper county

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 347, as follows

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and one entitled "An Act amending an act entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory building rooms or quarters within said cities in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature' approved the twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class" by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and seventy-three) entitled "An Act amending an act entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory building rooms or quarters within said cities in addition to the annual appropriation of the Legislature' approved the twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the councils of the cities of the first second and third class of the Commonwealth be and they are hereby respectively authorized to appropriate from any moneys in their respective treasuries not otherwise appropriated annually a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory building rooms or quarters within the limits of said city" be amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the councils of the cities of the first second and third class of the Commonwealth be and they are hereby respectively authorized to appropriate from any moneys in their respective treasuries not otherwise appropriated annually a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard the sum of one thousand dollars annually to each Battery of Artillery and two hundred and fifty dollars annually to each Regimental Sanitary Detachment using and occupying an armory building rooms or quarters within the limits of said city

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act entitled "To amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States," approved the 25th day of May, A. D. 1907, increasing the limitation as to the area of land, the jurisdiction of which is ceded, from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act to provide for the better financial management of cities of the first class by requiring the mayor to submit to councils an annual budget; compelling the heads of city departments, all city officers, boards, commissions and committees, certain other officers, boards, commissions, committees and bodies and certain courts to furnish to the mayor certain information, estimates and recommendations; requiring councils to consider the budget when presented and thereafter in one ordinance to authorize the city and the various departments, officers, boards, commissions, committees, courts and other bodies designated herein to incur liability for certain purposes and within certain amounts and to fix the tax rate or rates for the ensuing year; and providing that the city controller shall countersign warrants or checks for the purposes and within the amounts specified in any ordinance authorizing liability to be incurred without an appropriation or the specific setting aside of money therefor.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 132, entitled

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 136, entitled

An Act requiring the inspection of all stationary steam engines and steam boilers in cities of the first class by the Bureau of Steam Engine and Boiler Inspection in said cities and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 137, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of, and contract for, supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. DAIX from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 338, entitled

An Act to provide for the licensing, registering and regulating of all persons, institutions, corporations, associations or societies, who receive, board or keep children under the age of fourteen (14) years, in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth, giving to the Board of Health of said cities the right and power to adopt rules and regulations relative to the keeping of children, defining the term "person" as used in the act, and providing for the punishment of the superintendent, manager, person in charge, officers and directors of any institution, association or corporation, violating this act or the rules and regulations made thereunder by making the violation thereof a misdemeanor and prescribing the penalty therefor.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 213, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN from the Committee on Banks and Banking re-reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 36, entitled

An Act regulating the deposit of moneys belonging to the several counties of the Commonwealth in the banking institutions thereof, and providing for the collection of interest thereon.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 487, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester, for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway, and regulating the payments herein provided for.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 492, entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania, at Polk, Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 504, entitled

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. LYNCH from the Committee on New Counties and County Seats reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 171, entitled

A Supplement to the act of April 28, 1899, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," providing for the election of a township solicitor in townships of the first class, fixing his term of office, prescribing his duties and qualifications, and authorizing the board of township commissioners to fix his compensation.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented the communications in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were laid upon the table.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health; by regulating the possession, control, receipt, administering, prescribing, dispensing, sale, delivering, and giving of certain drugs and keeping records thereof; by regulating the administering, dispensing, prescribing and delivery of certain drugs to habitual users of said drugs and regulating the treatment and cure of said habitual users of said drugs; by providing for the revocation of the licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists and registered nurses for drug addiction and for violating the provisions of this act; and otherwise fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio, in Allegheny County, to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the 13th day of April, A. D. 1868.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing, of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth; and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, 1915 (P. L. 644).

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 232 (House Bill No. 85), entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 242, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the 9th day of June, 1881, entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing," by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for; crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth; and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the 29th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 247, entitled

An Act to fix the salary of the commission clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act for the printing binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department" and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 37 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, returned to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals, excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar in this case be dispensed with, and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendment made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. MARTIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The amendment was twice read as follows:

Amend the title in line 10 by inserting the word "building" before the word "or"; also section 5, line 8, by inserting after the word "repair" the word "building".

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Martin,	Schantz,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McKee,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Miller,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Warner,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	

NAYS—1.

Leiby,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 13, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Edward A. Monaghan, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

E. Earl Autenreith, New Brighton, March 23, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

Foster S. Biehl, Reading, March 23, 1917.
Edmund L. Darlington, Reading, March 25, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Irwin M. Cassell, Harrisburg, March 25, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Miss Corinne Chapman, Scranton, March 25, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Harry O. Conn, Lancaster, March 25, 1917.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Mont L. Ailey, New Castle, March 25, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Edmund E. Jones, Wilkes-Barre, March 25, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Miss Mary Weisenburger, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
William F. Ellwanger, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Joseph H. King, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Edwin T. Savidge, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George A. Thomas, Jr., Philadelphia, March 26, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 13, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Edward S. Sheinberg, Pittsburgh.

CLINTON COUNTY.

W. H. Rosser, Mill Hall.

MERCER COUNTY.

H. G. McKay, Sharon.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Miss F. B. Fitzgerald, Philadelphia.
Boleslaus F. Rudzinski, Philadelphia.
John W. Taylor, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SPROUL,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SPROUL,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 392, entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

RECESS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for fifteen minutes.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from Committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW from the Committee on Executive Nominations reported with a favorable recommendation the following nomination, made by His Excellency the Governor:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate Fred Newell, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Canton, County of Bradford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Ulysses Bird, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor, to lie on the table one day be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 400 (House Bill No. 724), entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

Senate Bill No. 6, entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section first of the Act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand and more than one million four hundred thousand" approved the eighth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Senate Bill No. 10, entitled

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth.

Senate Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highway and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act'" making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

Senate Bill No. 155, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds mortgages and so forth

Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars

Senate Bill No. 194, entitled

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

THE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 355, entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915 by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts, and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act; and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 356, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

THE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 542, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Woods Run Settlement Association, Petocky Street, North Side, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

THE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act defining cold storage and regulating time of storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF RESPECT TO THE MEMORY OF THE HON. HENRY HOUCK, SECRETARY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, out of respect for our late Secretary of Internal Affairs, the Honorable Henry Houck, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee of five to attend the funeral next Friday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock at Lebanon, his home, and that the President of the Senate also be authorized to send the proper floral tribute.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.45 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, March 14, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, March 13, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, what shall we render to Thee for Thy great love and the infinite sacrifice on our behalf?

Thy mercy is indeed boundless and Thy grace beyond comprehension.

Keep our hands unpolluted that their touch may leave only benedictions.

Restrain our lips from speaking Thy name without reverence and for selfish, mercenary purposes only.

Protect us from presumptuous, self-assumed piety, and may we ever be close to Thy side.

May we have pure hearts so that we shall see God with uninterrupted vision, and ever be imbued with the more excellent spirit.

Preserve our lives unspotted that the light of Thy holiness may shine in us.

Grant all these favors and blessings, making us realize that what we are is God's gift to us, and what we make of ourselves is our gift to God.

Hear and save us. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Rininger, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

ENDORSING THE BILL TO ABOLISH CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

Mr. WOBENSMITH presented the petition of numerous citizens of Philadelphia, endorsing the Hess-Wells Bill to abolish capital punishment in Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

FAVORING LIBERAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY FOR THE PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION OF FOREST FIRES.

Mr. DELL presented the petition of citizens of Huntingdon County praying for greatly increased financial support for the Department of Forestry, especially for the prevention and supression of forest fires.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL NO. 116.

Mr. CHRISTMAN presented the petition of Company A, Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, of Pottstown, Pa., praying for the passage of House Bill No. 116.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PRAYING FOR HUMANE LEGISLATION.

Mr. McPEAKE presented the petition of the citizens of Washington County, praying for the passage of certain humane legislation.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. SHUNK (By request) also presented the petition of citizens of Erie County, praying for the passage of certain humane legislation.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 878.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Butler and Mercer.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 879.

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to township supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 880.

An Act providing for the establishment of a Pennsylvania State Building in the City of Philadelphia; authorizing the purchase or lease of a site; providing for plans and specifications and for test borings and surveys for such building; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 881.

An Act amending section ten of an act, entitled "An Act in relation to the imprisonment, government and release of convicts in the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon," approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, so as to require the approval of the courts committing convicts to said reformatory to the transfer of such convicts to State prisons.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. House Bill No. 882.

An Act providing for a statistician in the Department of Mines and fixing the salary.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. SARIG. House Bill No. 883.

An Act relating to nominations and elections, the receipt and expenditure of funds intended to influence the result thereof and the preservation and filing of the accounts of the same and the regulation of political advertisements; providing for the creation of special committees for political purposes and providing for the forfeiture of a nomination and certificate of election and other penalties for a violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 884.

An Act providing that it shall be a misdemeanor for any person to contribute to the delinquency of any minor within the jurisdiction of any juvenile court or to assist or encourage said minor in violating his or her parole or to interfere with the probation officer assigned to such child and providing penalties therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WYLIE. House Bill No. 885.

An Act making an appropriation to the McKeesport Hospital, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BENNETT. House Bill No. 886.

An Act to promote the public health and safety by providing for the examination and licensure of those who desire to engage in the occupation of barbering; providing for the appointment by the governor of an examining board; defining the powers and duties of such boards; regulating barber shops, barber schools and barber colleges and apprentices and students therein; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 887.

An Act relating to nominations and elections, the receipt, and expenditure of funds intended to influence the result thereof and the preservation and filing of the accounts of the same and the regulation of political advertising; providing for the creation of special committees for political purposes and providing for the forfeiture of a nomination and certificate of election and other penalties for a violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. House Bill No. 888.

An Act fixing the salaries of certain employes in the Department of Mines.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 889.

An Act providing for the payment by State hospitals for the insane of the traveling expenses from said hospitals to their homes, respectively, of indigent inmates of said hospitals discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities, and for the reimbursement to such hospitals of the amounts so paid.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BENNETT. House Bill No. 890.

An Act regulating the selling of automobiles and providing penalties for violations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 891.

An Act authorizing the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities to transfer patients or inmates of hospitals for the insane to other such hospitals and providing for maintenance of patients after transfer.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 892.

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities; and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions;" including also city and other public employes paid out of the funds of any public commission or private funds.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 893.

An Act making an appropriation to the City of Philadelphia for the construction, reconstruction and repair of suburban roads and highways.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 894.

An Act providing for the pensioning of certain soldiers, sailors and marines, who served in the Civil War; and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 895.

An Act prohibiting the sale, giving away or otherwise disposing of explosives except under certain conditions; prohibiting the careless and negligent exposure and handling thereof; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 896.

An Act making an appropriation to the Washington Hospital, of Washington, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 897.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act regulating the compensation of court criers and tipstaves, in counties containing more than ninety thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants; providing for the payment of the same by the particular county; limiting the number of tipstaves to be appointed; and repealing an act of Assembly, entitled 'An Act to regulate the fees of court criers and tipstaves of the courts, in judicial districts containing more than ninety thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, approved the twenty-ninth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine.'"

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 898.

An Act fixing the salaries of jury commissioners in counties having a population over one hundred and twenty-five thousand and less than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BENCHOFF. House Bill No. 899.

An Act requiring township commissioners and township supervisors, railroad companies, railway companies, turnpike companies and plank road companies to cut down and dig out weeds growing on and along roads, highways, railroads and railways; and fixing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 900.

An Act amending section nineteen of an act, entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 901.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section seventeen of article two of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Commtitee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 902.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the third day of May, one thousand nine hundred nine, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors, in counties of over one hundred and fifty thousand population,' approved the eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven; by providing for compensation according to population, and granting power to employ counsel."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 903.

An Act authorizing prothonotaries in counties containing over one hundred and fifty thousand and less than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint deputy prothonotaries; fixing their salary and prescribing their duties.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. THOMAS F. McNICHOL (By request). House Bill No. 904.

An Act providing for the re-incorporation as a stock company of certain corporations organized under the laws of Pennsylvania for the maintenance of a society for beneficial or protective purposes to its members from funds collected therein.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SARIG. House Bill No. 905.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor, for the purpose of registration of voters, in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 906.

An Act to amend an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to provide for the health safety and welfare of minors by forbidding their employment or work in certain establishments and occupations and under certain specified ages by restricting their hours of labor and regulating certain conditions of their employment by requiring employment certificates for certain minors and prescribing the kinds thereof and the rules for the issuance reissuance filing return and recording of the same by providing that the Industrial Board shall under certain conditions determine and declare whether certain occupations are within the prohibitions of this act requiring that certain minors shall during the period of their employment attend certain schools to be established as therein provided and to be approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and regulating the condition of such attendance authorizing the State Board of Education in certain cases to appoint attendance officers to aid in enforcing the provisions of this act and creating the salary and expenses of such officers a charge against the school district wherein they are employed requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry the attendance officers of school districts and police officers and defining the procedure in prosecutions thereunder and

establishing certain presumptions in relation thereto and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith" by including other schools which said minors may attend.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 907.

An Act making an appropriation to the National Farm School at Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 908.

An Act providing for the time during which pupils may be taught in institutions for the instruction of the blind in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. MAURER. House Bill No. 909.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. GRAEFF. House Bill No. 910.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital of Coaldale, Coaldale, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GRAEFF. House Bill No. 911.

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the State Hospital of Coaldale, Coaldale, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BALDRIDGE. House Bill No. 912.

An Act validating certain foreclosure proceedings instituted by foreign executors administrators and guardians sheriffs' sales had thereon and the title acquired thereby.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 913.

An Act authorizing Mildred J. Barclay a resident of the City of Pittsburgh in the County of Allegheny in her own right as well as for the benefit of her minor daughter Mildred J. Barclay to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 914.

A Supplement to an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons and to prevent adulterations in drugs and medicinal preparations in the State of Pennsylvania' approved May twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven" approved the fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. McKINNEY. House Bill No. 915.

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. House Bill No. 916.

An Act authorizing the Secretary of Internal Affairs to appoint inspectors of weights and measures prescribing the duties and powers of the chief of the Bureau of Standards and of such inspectors and fixing their salaries providing penalties and abolishing the office of county and city inspector of weights and measures.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 917.

An Act to amend part of section two of an act approved the seventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act regulating and defining the powers and duties of the Dental Council and the State Board of Dental Examiners providing for appointment of examiners defining qualifications of applicants for examination condition of granting licenses regulating and limiting the practice of dentistry prohibiting practice by or employment of unlicensed persons and providing punishment therefor and disposition of fees and fines and fixing the appropriation to the Dental Council" as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. House Bill No. 918.

An Act prohibiting the attendance of any minor child under the age of sixteen years to any exhibition open to the public in any building tents or enclosure or any part of the premises connected therewith or any dramatic or operatic or vaudeville performances or tragedies or comedies or farces or exhibition of fixed or moving pictures or stereoptical films or songs or acrobatic performances or exhibition of trained animals or any equestrian circus or menagerie or museum or wild west show unless accompanied by an adult providing for a certain exception and fixing penalties for the violation of the act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 919.

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting the tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city borough incorporated town township or county requiring any taxes registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 920.

An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Mines to reimburse certain mines inspectors for loss of salary.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 139 (House Bill No. 930):

An Act relating to division fences suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class regulating the nature height materials and kind thereof defining the same and in certain cases dispensing with the same on whole or parts of boundary lines also prohibiting in the said districts the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height except under a permit.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 110 (House Bill No. 931):

An Act concerning transaction by banks and trust companies after twelve o'clock noon on Saturdays.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Senate Bill No. 115 (House Bill No. 932):

An Act to promote uniformity in all courts of record in issuing writs and process for the beginning of civil actions.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 140 (House Bill No. 933):

An Act prohibiting the erection of fences or similar structures above a certain height in suburban and similar districts of cities of the first class except under a permit declaring certain fences a private nuisance and their erection a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 205 (House Bill No. 934):

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia County State of Pennsylvania to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 210 (House Bill No. 935):

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 212 (House Bill No. 936):

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Referred to the Committee on Forestry.

Senate Bill No. 217 (House Bill No. 937):

An Act preventing the manufacture or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens lead arsenates lime-sulphuric compounds and other insecticides and fungicides and regulating traffic therein providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 219 (House Bill No. 938):

An Act to authorize counties boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 259 (House Bill No. 939):

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf a resident of the Borough of Canton Bradford County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 262 (House Bill No. 940):

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 265 (House Bill No. 941):

An Act authorizing Ida Collins a resident of Somerset County in her own right and in the right of her minor children to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 157 (House Bill No. 942):

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. POWELL, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed House Bill No. 604, entitled

An Act to further amend section two thousand two hundred and twenty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended by an act approved the fourth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two thousand two hundred and twenty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith.'"

Mr. ARON, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 342, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement; and providing penalties.

Mr. McKINNEY, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 412, entitled

An Act prohibiting any officer, member, or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics, political movements or elections, from canvassing election precincts, or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics, political movements, or elections, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

Mr. BENNINGER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 854, entitled

An Act providing for the appointment of probation officers in certain counties; fixing their powers, duties, and salaries.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 300, entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Mr. SONES, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed House Bill No. 648, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended; and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

Mr. MILNER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 261, entitled

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

Mr. LOHR, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed House Bill No. 745, entitled

An Act to further amend sections twenty-four hundred and one, twenty-four hundred and two, and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

Mr. ARON, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 135, entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the County Treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed House Bill No. 847, entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Mr. SHATTUCK, from the Committee on Education, reported with a negative recommendation House Bill No. 769, entitled

An Act to amend section two hundred and twenty-five of article two of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

REPORT OF THE LANCASTER AND SUSQUEHANNA TURNPIKE ROAD FOR THE THREE YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916.

The Speaker laid before the House the report of the Lancaster and Susquehanna Turnpike Road, of the abstract of their accounts for three years from January 1, 1914, to December 31, 1916.

(For report see Appendix.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. RAMSEY asked and obtained leave of absence for the Chief Clerk of the House on account of illness.

Mr. COX in the Chair.

RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE DEATH OF HONORABLE HENRY HOUCK.

Mr. MEARKLE offered the following resolution which was twice read as follows:

I move that this House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock out of respect to the death of the Hon. Henry Houck, Secretary of Internal Affairs, one of the most beloved, diligent and conscientious public officials of our State.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, In rising to second this resolution I feel that if we adopt it we are paying our respects to one of the best public men that Pennsylvania has ever had. His name is a household word in every township in the State of Pennsylvania. He has given his life's service either to local government or to our great State government. During his life service in serving the public there has never been a breath uttered against his good name for any of his public actions. I know that it is the regret not only of the members of this body but the regret of the citizenship of this great State that we have lost the services of one of the most valued and respected citizens that has ever been elected to public office.

I therefore, Mr. Speaker, desire to second the resolution offered by my friend from Allegheny, Mr. Mearkle.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

ADJOURNMENT.

Whereupon (at 11:45 A. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10:00 o'clock.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, March 14, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. M. D. Lichliter offered the following prayer:

Our Lord and our God, with whom there is neither variableness nor shadow of turning, Thou art the same yesterday, to-day and forever. We are again reminded through Thy Providence in the removal of a member of this Senate that there is a certainty of death, and an uncertainty of life. We are reminded that in Thy hands are the reins of life and death. Thou dost give and Thou dost take away. Help us to bow submissively to Thy will. May we in our latter end hear the salutation of the Master, "Well done Thou good and faithful servant. Enter thou into the joys of Our Lord." Comfort the immediate family of the deceased and assuage their grief. Death indeed loves a shining mark. As a state we mourn the Apostle of Sunshine. We thank Thee for his great life, his useful career, for his renowned virtues and for his beautiful and lovable spirit. Help us to emulate his virtues. We ask in Jesus name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. PATTON, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 13, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March nineteenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March nineteenth, at nine o'clock.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF HON. HENRY HOUCK.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair desires to appoint, under the motion made yesterday, the following committee to attend the funeral of the late Henry Houck; the Senator from Lancaster, Mr. Haldeman; the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder; the Senator from Lancaster, Mr. Homsher; the Senator from Erie, Mr. Nason, and the Senator from Berks, Mr. Sassaman.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH OF HONORABLE CHARLES J. MAGEE.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I rise at this time, at one of the saddest moments of my life, to pay a short tribute of respect to my dear friend, the late Charles J. Magee, who has now passed to the great beyond. God in His infinite wisdom has deemed it wise to take from our midst our dear friend and colleague, Charlie Magee. We sometimes hesitate and wonder why those who are of such great and vast benefit to the people, to the great organized society to which we belong, are taken away, when so many who are of no benefit whatever remain. No longer shall we hear the voice of this dear boy in the halls of this great body speaking in the interest and behalf of suffering humanity, speaking in the interest and behalf of those things that tend to a greater and grander day for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. To-day among us he is numbered among the dead, but I am glad to say that his good acts and deeds shall live throughout the countless ages, because if there was any boy who believed in the true principles of the foundation upon which all true fraternity is founded, it was he; for he believed in the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God; true fraternity, which is the sweetest flower that buds, blossoms and sheds its perfume in the garden of the human heart. And what a beautiful theme it is, as he lived up to it so beautifully, brotherly love, and which was so keenly appreciated by all who knew him in this body, and especially those who were more closely associated with him. We all remember this beautiful thought, that the mornings are the rapturous thoughts of God and the evenings are His glorious dreams. The sun and the stars are His mighty looms, upon which he weaves the light and air that tint the earth and sky with colors divine. But let the looms of light cease for one moment, then this great earth of ours with all its grandeur and beauty would lie naked and dead upon the cold bosom of eternal night. And so it is in human life. It has its looms, which are constantly weaving threads of human kindness into our hearts and into our homes; and let the looms of love, that which was never born and can never die, cease for one moment, then happiness would die upon the hearthstone, from which emanates the love and purity of the nation, and laughter would perish among the roses at the door.

On an occasion like this, my friends, how can words soar as high as thought or sink to the depth of feeling? What language can paint the emotions of the soul when we lift the veil which time has cast and bring forth from amidst the rubbish of buried recollections and thoughts the sorrows and sadness that have paved your lives wonder. And when we think of parting with one who is so near and dear to us, and when we look through the golden firmament of hope for that greater and grander day when we shall meet again, the soft fingers of an unseen angel's hand touches the pity pulsing strings in the human heart's cord, which exite within us a world of images, of sentiment and thoughts and transports our souls upwards and onward until like a lark they pour forth their celestial music at the very portals of heaven.

And on an occasion like this, one of the most gratifying things of all is the fundamental belief of all Christians of this great civilized world, our consoling feature, immortality of the soul, and surely there is not in life a pang so cruel as love's farewell forever, and we will believe in immortality and immortality must obtain as long as love, which is extended from the heart of every man within the hearing of my voice this day, kisses the lips of death. And to-day, notwithstanding the fact that our dear friend has gone down through the valley of the shadow into the mansions of eternal peace, there is that which is gratifying to us all, that as we believe in God and His teachings, and in the teachings of our Lord and Saviour,

Jesus Christ, there is this gratifying feature, that who knows but to-day that he is one of the golden harps spoken of and swept into melody by the heavenly hand of God.

ATTENDANCE OF SENATE AT FUNERAL OF HON. CHARLES J. MAGEE

Mr. KLINE offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Resolved, That the Senate and its officers attend the funeral services of our late colleague, Hon. Charles J. Magee, at the residence of the deceased in Pittsburgh.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I desire to state for the benefit of the members of the Senate of Pennsylvania, in regard to attending the funeral of the late Charles J. Magee, that notice of the time of the funeral will be given later to each member of the Senate.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the resolution?
It was agreed to.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENT FOR FUNERAL OF HON. CHARLES J. MAGEE.

Mr. KLINE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to make suitable arrangements on the part of the Senate for attendance upon the funeral of our late fellow Senator, Hon. Charles J. Magee, deceased, the expense therefor to be provided for by an item in the General Appropriation bill.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair appoints as members of such committee the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Kline; the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. McKee; the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens; the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Burke, and the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Whitten.

DRAPING OF SENATE IN RESPECT TO MEMORY OF HONORABLE CHARLES J. MAGEE.

Mr. PHIPPS offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Senate be directed to drape the hall of the Senate in mourning for the period of thirty days, in respect to the memory of our deceased colleague, Hon. Charles J. Magee.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF RESPECT TO MEMORY OF HONORABLE CHARLES J. MAGEE.

Mr. LYNCH offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That in respect to the memory of our esteemed fellow member, the late Hon. Charles J. Magee, the Senate will now adjourn until Monday evening, March nineteenth, at nine o'clock.

The Senate adjourned at 10.50 o'clock A. M. until Monday evening, March 19, 1917, at 9 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, March 14, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Our Father, may we realize that we cannot live without Thee.

Give us water to drink from the river of Thy pleasure, and satisfy us with Thy mercy.

Wilt Thou put good thoughts into our hearts only, to fall from Heaven like stars and begin to glow in us, that from our lives may go out revealings of the Redeemer to bless the world.

Fit us now for making other lives happy. May the fire of love burn in our hearts. May we be able to be comforters of those who are in sorrow and distress, and thus bear one another's burdens, even to the sad hour of death.

May we witness in all ways to the greatness of Thy mercy, the tenderness of Thy love and the abundance of Thy grace.

We pray Thee that our petitions may be answered. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. William Davis, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL NO. 116.

Mr. WHITAKER presented the petition of Battery C, First Pennsylvania Field Artillery, of Chester and Montgomery counties, praying for the passage of House Bill No. 116.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PRAYING FOR HUMANE LEGISLATION.

Mr. GOODNOUGH presented the petition of numerous citizens of Emporium, Cameron County, praying for the passage of certain humane legislation.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, March 13, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March nineteenth at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it be to reconvene on Monday evening, March nineteenth at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,
Will the House concur in the resolution?
It was concurred in.
Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate had concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to Senate Bill numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

Senate Bill No. 37,

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred and eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair building or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 162,

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

House Bill No. 223,

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County.

House Bill No. 90,

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

House Bill No. 32,

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, Pennsylvania.

With the information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 921.

An Act authorizing the Valley Forge Park Commission to release and quitclaim to Thomas Cutler and Anna Marie Cutler, his wife, certain water rights at Valley Forge.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. STERLING. House Bill No. 922.

An Act to further amend an act approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled, 'A further supplement to an act entitled "An Act to establish a board of wardens for the Port of Philadelphia and for the regulation of pilots and pilotage and for other purposes," approved March twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and three, and for regulating the rates of pilotage and number of pilots."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 923.

An Act authorizing Edward A. Woods, of Edgeworth Borough, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 924.

An Act preventing tampering with, visiting or conversing with any juror summoned for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SARIG. House Bill No. 925.

An Act defining and prohibiting monopolies, trusts and combinations affecting trade and commerce in commodities and articles of commerce; prohibiting discrimination in the carrying on of such trade and commerce; providing for the production of evidence and granting immunity to witnesses, and prescribing penalties for a violation of its provisions.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. HOWARTH. House Bill No. 926.

An Act to prevent discrimination by any person, co-partnership, association or corporation engaged in any public service business; prohibiting the refusal, cutting off or discontinuance of service in certain cases; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. HORTON. House Bill No. 927.

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State Fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. JACK. House Bill No. 928.

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled "An Act relative to the eligibility of candidates for the office of district attorney."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 929,

An Act to further regulate the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in cities of the first class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WEIMER. House Bill No. 943.

An Act making an appropriation to the Good Samaritan Hospital, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ARON. House Bill No. 944.

An Act making an appropriation to the Children's Homoeopathic Hospital, of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ARON. House Bill No. 945.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lebanon Hospital of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 946.

An Act authorizing county commissioners to repay moneys collected on forfeited recognizances in certain cases.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 947.

An Act to further protect the rights and liberties of the people of this Commonwealth when under arrest in cities of the first class upon a bailable criminal charge; making its infraction a misdemeanor and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. VOGDES. House Bill No. 948.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Working Home for Blind Men for maintenance in handicraft employment.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOFFMAN. House Bill No. 949.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Normal Schools of the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 950.

An Act providing for vacating part or parts of any abandoned or condemned turnpike forming part of a State Highway Route where the course of said route has been diverted leaving such part or parts of said turnpike outside the limits thereof, and providing upon such vacation the same shall become township roads.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 951.

An Act amending section 2 of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners, the county solicitor, and the chief clerk to the county commissioners, of each county, to organize themselves into a State Association, for the purpose of holding annual meetings, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof," approved the 10th day of May, A. D. 1913, by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to the county per annum.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 952.

An Act to prohibit experiments upon living dogs and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. STERLING. House Bill No. 953.

An Act authorizing appeals to the Superior Court in all habeas corpus cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 954.

An Act regulating hunting, trapping and fishing on unseated and auxiliary forest reserve lands; providing for the propagation of game and fish on such lands; and providing penalties for violation.

Referred to the Committee on Forestry.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 70 (House Bill No. 955):

An Act to amend an act approved the 18th day of May, Anno Domini 1911, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," the amendments intending to prevent any alteration in the standard subjects of common school education or any lowering of the nature thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 117 (House Bill No. 956):

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof approved the twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws, page seventy-nine) by providing that the petition praying for dissolution may be by any owner or owners of capital stock and providing for publication of notice in the proper legal periodical.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 148 (House Bill No. 957):

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws authorizing the appointment of the commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 196 (House Bill No. 958):

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 201 (House Bill No. 959):

An Act authorizing cities boroughs and towns to lease electric light heat and power plants and water works plants and systems providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 414, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation and prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a public service commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or aboltion ,and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested, the State or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing the terms, salaries and compensation of the members of the commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas, and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions, mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission, and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled, 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars; and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the proviso of clause seven of section thirty-four of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act;" providing for switch and other connection between the lines of street railway companies and railway lines owned, leased or operated by municipal corporations, when required by the Public Service Commission; providing for the establishment of through routes and joint rates over such connecting lines; and prescribing and defining the duties of the Public Service Commission relating to such connections, through routes and joint rates.

Mr. BEYER, from the Commitee on Judiciary General, reported as committed. House Bill No. 488, entitled

An Act providing for leave to pay fines and costs in criminal proceedings by instalments.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Elections, reported as amended, House Bill No. 176, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred nineteen) entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties, providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation."

Mr. HESS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed, House Bill No. 852, entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed, House Bill No. 633, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain

seeds, providing for the selection of samples thereof, and their examination by the Department of Agriculture, and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act, and fixing penalties for its violation."

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed House Bill No. 876, entitled

An Act to authorize the revising, editing and printing of fifteen thousand copies of Bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six, entitled "Swine Husbandry," issued by the Department of Agriculture; and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. RICHARDS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 799, entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed House Bill No. 875, entitled

An Act to authorize the revising, editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hundred and one, entitled "Market Gardening," issued by the Department of Agriculture, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as amended House Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (P. L. 667), entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease, and the compensation therefor."

Mr. OGDEN, from the Committee on Forestry, reported as committed House Bill No. 439 entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests, and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Mr. ERDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 843, entitled

An Act authorizing Edward Fay and Son, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, against the Commonwealth.

Mr. RUDDY, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed, House Bill No. 451, entitled

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds of certain life insurance and annuity contracts, bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

Mr. RODGERS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as amended House Bill No. 770, entitled

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners' inquests; and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties.

Mr. MITCHELL, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as amended House Bill No. 815, entitled

An Act authorizing Wilbur Jones Kay, Fanny Kay, his wife, Ellingwood Kay, Dorothy Kay, and Hubert Kay, their children, residents of the Borough of East Washington, and Mabel Mason, resident of the Borough of Washington, all of Washington County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 942 (Senate Bill No. 157), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 782 (Senate Bill No. 144), entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 780 (Senate Bill No. 106), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 508 (Senate Bill No. 114), entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, defining and declaring the interest that shall descent to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 233 (Senate Bill No. 58), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate,' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders," approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four) extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 496 (Senate Bill No. 16), entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," in relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended, House Bill No. 328 (Senate Bill No. 8), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

Mr. McVICAR, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 336 (Senate Bill No. 49) entitled

An Act to authorize and require the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts.

Mr. STRAUSS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported with a negative recommendation, House Bill No. 506 (Senate Bill No. 98), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the third day of July, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five entitled "An Act to establish uniform compensation to be allowed witnesses in civil and criminal cases before justices of the peace and aldermen in the several counties of this Commonwealth.

Mr. LEE SMITH, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported with a negative recommendation, House Bill No. 781 (Senate Bill No. 143), entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the courts of common pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both Houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 194

An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department.

Senate Bill No. 155

An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages and so forth.

Senate Bill No. 37

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" by excepting contracts for the repair building or rebuilding of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars.

Senate Bill No. 23

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act'" making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways.

Senate Bill No. 6

An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section first of the Act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand" approved the eighth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Senate Bill No. 5

An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.

Senate Bill No. 10

An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth.

Whereupon,

The Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. SCOTT asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wood, of Indiana, on account of sickness.

RESOLUTION.

MEMORIAL SERVICES IN HONOR OF HON. CHARLES J. RONEY.

Mr. STERN asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the proceedings of the meeting held in honor of the memory of Honorable Charles J. Roney, Jr., be made part of the record of the House of Representatives and be inscribed in the Journal.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 604, entitled

An Act to further amend section two thousand two hundred and twenty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended by an act approved the fourth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two thousand two hundred and twenty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith.'"

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill just read be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 342, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 412, entitled

An Act prohibiting any officer, member, or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics, political movements or elections, from canvassing election precincts, or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics, political movements, or elections, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 854, entitled

An Act providing for the appointment of probation officers in certain counties; fixing their powers, duties, and salaries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 300, entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 648, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended; and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 261, entitled

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 745, entitled

An Act to further amend sections twenty-four hundred and one, twenty-four hundred and two, and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 135, entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the County Treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 847, entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 608, entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Harry C Swift of the county of Bedford is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally due to said Harry C Swift for personal injuries sustained by said Harry C Swift upon State Highway Route number forty-six near Riddlesburg in the said county of Bedford which State highway is subject to the maintenance supervision and control of the Commonwealth or its agency the State Highway Department

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out "Bedofrd" and inserting in lieu thereof "Bedford."

Amend section 1, page 1, line 6, by striking out "Dauphin" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Bedford."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases by individuals and the right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit thereby authorized

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 2, line 2, by inserting between the words "if" and "pleadings," the word "practice;" also by inserting between the words "other" and "cases" the words "and similar;" and also by striking out the word "by" between the words "cases" and "individuals" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "between."

Amend section 2 by striking out of line 3 all after the word "the" and all of lines 4 and 5, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift, of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 364.

Mr. McCAIG asked and received unanimous consent to offer the following motion:

Moved by the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. McCaig, seconded by the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Murdock, that the vote by which House Bill No. 364, File Folio 711, entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor.

was defeated on third reading and final passage on Monday, March 12th, be reconsidered.

The SPEAKER. How did the gentleman making the motion vote?

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I voted "No."

The SPEAKER. How did the gentleman seconding the motion vote?

Mr. MURDOCK. Mr. Speaker, I voted "No."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
It was agreed to.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of House Bill No. 364, File Folio 711, entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor.

be postponed for the present.

Mr. MURDOCK. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 728, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor

Whereas The stability and integrity of any State or nation depends at all times upon the interest which the Government thereof manifests in the well being of its people and in the promotion of their happiness in protecting them in their individual and collective enjoyment of certain rights which are common and natural to all and

Whereas The protection of these rights is not only a fundamental duty on the part of those entrusted with authority but appears to be at this time of such vital and immediate importance as to require good sense and intelligence on the part of all in authority to ascertain and provide appropriate remedies in aid of these rights to life liberty and happiness for which alone any state or government has any good reason to exist and

Whereas We do not wish to be wanting in our attention to a condition of affairs now existing in many parts of this Commonwealth and in other States of the nation which has been called to our attention by the humble petitions of our people and by our own personal knowledge and experience in domestic life which convinces us that large numbers of people in all respects honorable and industrious are not enabled to enjoy life by reason of the increased cost of foodstuffs and other necessaries of life entailing wholesale suffering to men women and children and at a time when the nation is still at peace and appears to have been blessed with an abundant harvest and

Whereas This unpleasant and distressing condition of affairs giving rise to protest by those suffering therefrom has resulted in several serious disturbances of the peace and of the good order of communities otherwise lawabiding and respectful and

Whereas This condition of unrest is not likely to be settled by riot or by the disturbance of others in the lawful pursuit of their rights but may result in still further offences without accomplishing the end desired and thereby disturb and endanger the peace and dignity of this Commonwealth

Therefore Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That prompt and immediate action be agreed to to ascertain the cause or causes responsible for this increased cost of the necessaries of life which appear to have risen beyond the reach of those now suffering therefrom

Be it Further Resolved That a joint committee consisting of three (3) members of the Senate one of whom shall be a representative of a minority political party shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate and four (4) members of the House one of whom shall be a representative of a minority political party shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House be created for the purpose of making a full free and unobstructed comprehensive and impartial investigation of all and singular the aforesaid matters and charges concerning the increased cost of all foodstuffs and other necessities of life

Be it Further Resolved That said joint committee is hereby directed to organize forthwith after the approval of this joint resolution by the Governor to hold such and as many meetings and hearings as it may deem necessary to summon witnesses to further the aim and purposes of these resolutions in aid of an investigation as aforesaid and in aid of some remedy by appropriate legislation or otherwise to be recommended to issue subpoenas administer oaths and compel the attendance of such witness or witnesses and the production of all such books bills checks check books papers minutes records vouchers agreements receipts bills of lading shipping receipts shipping instructions letters advertisements and all each and every other form of written or documentary evidence as may be pertinent or germain to the inquiry and

Be It Further Resolved That the said joint committee shall be vested with the fullest and most complete powers which the General Assembly by virtue of the Constitution and the Sovereign Powers of a State can confer upon such committee for the accomplishment of its purposes and

Be It Further Resolved That the said joint committee shall be authorized to employ auditors accountants counsel learned in the law stenographers clerks messengers investigators and all such other clerical or skilled assistance as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon said committee and to further the inquiry by them to be made the Sergeant-at-Arms to be appointed by said committee is directed to attend said joint committee to serve all the subpoenas issued by it and generally enforce all the orders which said joint committee is hereby authorized to make and

Be It Further Resolved That the State Dairy and Food Commissioner of the State is hereby directed to make careful inquiry through his department into the causes of these conditions in so far as the storage and any speculative operation within the State may or may not effect the price of foodstuffs therein and shall furnish to the said committee in so far as possible all information obtainable on said subject with any suggestions he may have in mind to bring about a reduction in any extraordinary or unreasonable increase in the price of foodstuffs as aforesaid and shall render such report or reports to the committees aforesaid no later than April thirtieth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Be It Further Resolved That the Public Service Commission through their department are herewith directed to make diligent inquiry into certain charges that the transportation companies operating within this Commonwealth are responsible for intentionally detaining or failing to promptly transport all foodstuffs offered for transportation and make report thereof to the said joint committee of the findings of fact together with any suggestions they may be able to offer in aid of the general purpose of this investigation not later than March twelfth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Be It Further Resolved that said joint committee shall as soon as possible but no later than April thirtieth following report its findings to the General Assembly with such recommendations as the said committee may deem expedient and shall confer with the Attorney General from time to time as the law officer of the Commonwealth and lay before him such matters or things which may require

process by the Commonwealth for any violation of any of its common or statutory laws to the end that any person or persons firm or corporation in any manner unlawfully responsible for such conditions may be indicted therefor in such place or places where the alleged offence may appear to be properly triable In the report of their findings to this General Assembly the joint committee shall if possible recommend the remedy or remedies for the condition herein complained of to the end that proper legislation may be enacted to remedy and prevent such abuse as may be found to exist

Be It Further Resolved That it is the sense of the General Assembly that it is contrary to public policy and to the interests of good order that any person or persons giving evidence before said joint committee tending to show that he or she has been in any manner implicated in any corrupt practice or conspiracy punishable by law and bringing about the codition complained of should be indicted and prosecuted for the offence disclosed by such evidence or admission so given or made by him or her and

Be it further Resolved That the sum of five thousand ($5,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically provided to defray the expenses necessarily incurred by said joint committee in the discharge of the duties imposed upon it and that payment shall be made on order of the chairman of said joint committee and on warrant of the Auditor General in the manner now prescribed by law

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—142.

Albert,	Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Dunn,	McKinney,	Scott,
Arthur,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Franklin,	Michel,	Smith, F. L.,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Gans,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Golder,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Black,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Morgan, T.,	Stoffet,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Morgan, T. J.,	Strauss,
Boyd,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Sullivan,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Thomas,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Ulsh,
Campbell, T.,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Vickerman,
Canon,	Helt,	Perry,	Vogdes,
Christman,	Hess,	Pickering,	Walker,
Coldsmith,	Heyburn,	Powell,	Wallace,
Conner,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Wells,
Cook,	Jones,	Reynolds,	West,
Cox,	Lauler,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Whitaker,
Crosby,	Leary,	Rich,	Wickman,
Cummins,	Luppert,	Richards,	Wobensmith,
Curry,	Malie,	Ringler,	Woodward,
Dale,	Mangan,	Rinn,	Wylie,
Davis, D. F.,	Maurer,	Rogers,	Wynne,
Davis, W.,	McArdle,	Ross,	Zanders,
Dawson,	McCaig,	Ruddy,	Baldwin,
Dell,	McCullough,	Rudisill,	Speaker.
Dewey,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	

NAYS—21.

Benchoff,	Horne,	Patterson,	Showalter,
Chestnut,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Speicher,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Taylor,
Drake,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Walter,
Eby,	Musser,	Sampsel,	Williams, C. W.
Hollingsworth,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor herewith to transmit a copy of the Biennial Report of the Pennsylvania Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

The SPEAKER. The report will be noted in the Journal and printed in the Appendix.

(For Report see Appendix.)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

GOVERNOR'S ACTION ON HOUSE BILL NO. 61.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 8, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved House Bill No. 61, entitled "A Supplement to an cat entitled 'An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen' as approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Appropriation Acts, page thirty-three) providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made to the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments by the act to which this is a supplement and for minor appropriations to certain of the Executive Judicial and Legislative Departments not provided for by said act," except as to the following items:

Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure.

The item in section two which provides as follows: "For the payment of the deficiency in the amount appropriated for the expenses incurred in the regulation of the practice of Midwifery, Act of June fifth, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and forty-one), the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary up to June fourth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen." This item is approved in the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Department of Forestry.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the payment of a deficiency in the Department of Forestry for salaries and expenses of foresters and forest rangers, the sum of eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000)." This item is approved in the sum of seventeen thousand dollars ($17,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

State Highway Department.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the payment of a deficiency in the automobile division of the State Highway Department for salaries and other necessary expenses, for the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the sum of thirty-four thousand dollars ($34,000)." This item is approved in the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars ($33,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Department of Pubilc Grounds and Buildings.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the payment of deficiency in appropriation for the payment of the salaries of the chief and assistant engineers of the power plant and all other employes required in conducting, cleaning and making repairs and everything necessary for the safety and keeping of the buildings and grounds in accordance with the act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, for two years ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary." This item is approved in the sum of eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Department of Public Printing and Binding.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the payment of paper, envelopes and other supplies, the additional sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000)." This item is approved in the sum of nine thousand dollars ($9,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Department of Fisheries.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the purpose of maintaining and operating launch 'Commodore Perry,' on Lake Erie, the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000)." This item is approved in the sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars ($1,800). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Water Supply Commission.

Also the item which provides as follows: "To the Water Supply Commission for an emergency fund for field examinations which may be necessary by reason of spring floods, the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000)." This item is approved in the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Pennsylvania State Board of Censors of Motion Pictures.

Also the item which provides as follows: "To the State Board of Censors of Motion Pictures for the payment of a deficiency in the contingent, traveling and incidental expenses, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500)." This item

is approved in the sum of one thousand four hundred dollars ($1,400). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Senate.

Also the item in section three which provides as follows: "For the payment of salaries and balance of salaries due the President pro tempore and other officers and employes of the Senate during the two years ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and which have not otherwise been provided for, the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary." This item is approved in the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars ($33,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the payment of the salaries and mileage, session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, of such additional officers and employes of the Senate as may be authorized by resolution, the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended by the chief clerk of the Senate who shall render to the Auditor General accounts from time to time with specifically itemized vouchers to be settled in the same manner as other accounts; Provided, That all vouchers for salaries and mileage of officers and employes shall be certified by the President pro tempore and the chief clerk of the Senate." This item is approved in the sum of eight thousand dollars ($8,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

House of Representatives.

Also the item which provides as follows: "For the payment of salaries and balances of salaries due the Speaker and other officers and employes of the House of Representatives during the two years ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and which have not otherwise been provided for, the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary." This item is approved in the sum of thirty-eight thousand dollars ($38,000). I withhold my approval from the remainder of said item.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall those portions of the bill vetoed by the Governor become a law, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—12.

Graham,	Michel,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Jones,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sullivan,	Baldwin,
Luppert,	Murdoch,	West,	Speaker.
McCaig,			

NAYS—171.

Albee,	Dunn,	Malie,	Rudisill,
Aron,	Eby,	Mangan,	Sampsel,
Arthur,	Ehrhardt,	Marvin,	Sarig,
Aston,	Erdman,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Baker,	Fackler,	McArdle,	Scott,
Baldi,	Flynn,	McCullough,	Shattuck,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	McCurdy,	Showalter,
Barner,	Franklin,	McKay,	Shunk,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Bell,	Gans,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Benchoff,	Geary,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Bennett,	Glass,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Benninger,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Black,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Snyder,
Boulton, H.,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Haight,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stoffiet,
Canon,	Hess,	Murphy,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Urich,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Horne,	Perry,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Horton,	Phillips,	Walker,
Crosby,	Hough,	Pickering,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Howarth,	Powell,	Walter,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Wells,
Dale,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Williams, G. W
Dawson,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wylie,
Donneley,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wynne,
Drake,	Lewis,	Ross,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the negative, the veto of the Governor is sustained.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The SPEAKER. I want to call the attention of the House to the fact that there are a number of persons on the floor of the House, talking to members of the House, who do not have the privilege of the floor. The Chair does not desire to humiliate any person by having the sergeant-of-arms remove him from the floor but there is too much confusion and interference with the members in the performance of their duties and this must cease or otherwise the Chair will feel it necessary to order the floor cleared.

BILLS ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 675 (Senate Bill No. 74), as follows:

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith

Whereas The eyesight of the citizens of this Commonwealth is endangered by incompetent persons practicing optometry and due regard for the safety and protection of the citizens demands that only authorized and qualified optometrists shall be permitted to practice optometry

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the practice of optometry is hereby defined to be the employment of any means other than the use of drugs for the measurement of the powers of vision and the adaptation of lenses for the correction and aid of the vision of human beings

Section 2 That on and after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen it shall not be lawful for any person in this Commonwealth to engage in the practice of optometry or to hold himself out as a practitioner of optometry or to attempt to determine by an examination of the eye the kind of glasses needed by any person or to hold himself out as a licensed optometrist when not so licensed or to hold himself out as able to examine the eyes of any person for the purpose of fitting the same with glasses excepting those hereinafter exempted unless he has first fulfilled the requirements of this act and has received a certificate of licensure from the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure created by this act nor shall it be lawful for any person in this Commonwealth to represent that he is the lawful holder of a certificate of licensure such as is provided for in this act when in fact he is not such lawful holder or to impersonate any licensed practitioner of optometry or to fail to deliver the certificate provided for in section six of this act

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be subject upon his first offense to a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or imprisonment for not more than six months in the county prison or both or either at the discretion of the court and upon conviction on second or later offences shall be subject to a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than one year at the discretion of the court

Section 3 For the purpose of carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this act there shall be established in this Commonwealth a board which shall be known as the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania The said board shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before July first nineteen hundred and seventeen Each member shall receive a certificate of his appointment signed by the Governor and attested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth The members of this board shall be optometrists citizens of this Commonwealth who possess the requisite qualifications to practice optometry under this act and who shall have been so practicing in this State during the five years next previous to their appointment Two members of the board first appointed under this act shall serve for one year two for two years and three for three years after which the successor of each member shall be appointed for the term of three years but no member of said board shall be a member of the faculty of any undergraduate school or college teaching optometry The first appointees shall by virtue of such appointment receive certificates of licensure without examination The Governor shall by appointment fill all vacancies caused by death resignation or otherwise and may remove any member of said board for continued neglect of his duties in connection therewith or for any unprofessional or dishonorable conduct Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term of the deceased or retiring member The board herein created is hereby charged with the enforcement of this act

All suits for the recovery of the penalties prescribed in this act shall be prosecuted in the name of the State of Pennsylvania in any court having jurisdiction and it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the county where such offence is committed to prosecute all the persons violating the provisions of this act upon proper complaint being made

Section 4 Said board shall affect its organization immediately after the appointment of its members by the Governor by holding a meeting at which it shall elect from its membership a president and a secretary who shall also be treasurer It shall have authority to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this Commowealth for the transaction of its business and for the registration of all optometrists of this Commonwealth and for conducting examination of applicants Said rules shall be printed in pamphlet form for public distribution Five members shall constitute a quorum for transaction of all business except for the revocation or suspension of a certificate of licensure or the determination of the fitness of any school or college to render eligible its graduates for licensure when the consent of a majority of the whole board shall be necessary No license shall be granted under this act except with the approval of at least four members of the board Said board shall meet at least twice a year at Harrisburg Any member may administer oaths and take testimony when appointed so to do by the board The appointed members shall receive compensation at the rate of ten dollars and necessary expense for each day actually devoted to the work of the board

Section 5 Every person desiring to commence the practice of optometry or if now in practice to continue the practice thereof after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen except as herein otherwise provided shall take the examination provided in this act and satisfy the other requirements hereof as here provided Any person who has been engaged in the practice of optometry in this Commonwealth for two full years prior to the passage of this act or for one year in this and for the year preceding it in another state and is of good character shall be entitled to take a limited examination covering the following only

(a) the limitation of the sphere of optometry
(b) the necessary scientific instruments used
(c) the form and power of lenses used
(d) a correct method of measuring presbyopia hypermetropia myopia and astigmatism
(e) the writing of formulae or prescriptions for the adaptation of lenses in aid of vision

Any person over the age of twenty-one years of good moral character who has had a preliminary education equivalent to two years of the course of high school whose standard is approved by the Bureau of Professional Education of the Department of Public Instruction which preliminary education shall be ascertained by examination or by acceptable certificate as to credentials for work done in such approved institution and has graduated from a school or college of optometry approved by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure which maintains a course in optometry of not less than two years and has afterwards studied optometry for at least one year in a licensed optometrist's office shall be entitled to take a standard examination Said standard examination shall consist of tests in practical theoretical and physiological optics in theoretical and practical optometry and in the anatomy and physiology of the eye and in pathology as applied to optometry Provided that any person not less than twenty-one years of age who is actually engaged in the practice of optometry at the time of the passage of this act shall be entitled to take the standard examination merely upon proof to the board that he is of good moral character and is not addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol or narcotic drugs

Section 6 Every person desiring to be licensed as in this act provided shall file with the secretary of said board upon appropriate blank to be furnished by said secretary an application verified by oath setting forth the facts which entitle the applicant to examination and licensure under the provisions of this act The said board shall hold at least two examinations each year In case of failure at any standard examination the applicant after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination by the board without the payment of an additional fee In case of failure at any limited examination the applicant shall have the privilege of continuing the practice of optometry and of taking a second examination without the payment of an additional fee But in the event of his failure to pass the second examination on or before July first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen he shall thereafter cease to practice optometry in this Commonwealth Every applicant who shall pass the standard examination or the limited examination as the case may be and who shall otherwise comply with the provisions of this act shall receive from the said board under its seal a certificate of licensure entitling him to practice optometry in this Commonwealth which certificate shall be duly registered in a record book to be properly kept by the secretary of the board for that purpose which shall be open to public inspection and a duly certified copy of said record shall be received as evidence in all courts of this Commonwealth in the trial of any case Each person to whom a certificate shall be issued by said board shall keep said certificate displayed in a conspicuous place in the office or place of business wherein said person shall practice optometry together with the photograph of said person attached to the lower right hand corner of said certificate and shall whenever required exhibit the said certificate to any member or agent of the said board Peddling from door to door or the establishment of temporary offices is specifically forbidden under penalty of revocation of certificate by said board Whenever any person shall practice optometry outside or away from his office or place of business he shall deliver to each person fitted with glasses by him a certificate signed by him wherein he shall set forth the amount charged his post office address and the number of his certificate Each person to whom a certificate has been issued by said board shall before practicing under the same register said certificate in the office of the prothonotary in each county wherein he proposes to practice optometry and shall pay therefor such fee as may be lawfully chargeable for such registry The prothonotary in each county shall keep a certificate registration book wherein he shall promptly register each certificate for which the fee is paid

Section 7 Said Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure shall charge the following fees for examination registration and renewals of certificates The sum of twenty-five dollars for a standard examination and ten dollars for a limited examination Every registered optimetrist who desires to continue the practice of optometry shall annually on or before the first day of January pay to the secretary of the board a renewal registration fee of two dollars per annum for which he shall receive a renewal of his certificate

In case of neglect to pay the renewal registration fee herein specified the board may revoke such certificate and the holder thereof may be reinstated by complying with the conditions specified in this act But no certificate or permit shall be revoked without giving sixty days' notice to the delinquent who within such period shall have the right of renewal of such certificate on payment of the renewal fee with a penalty of five dollars provided that retirement from practice for a period not exceeding five years shall not deprive the holder of said certificate of the right to renew his certificate on the payment of all lapsed fees

The board shall adopt a seal and certificate of suitable design and shall have an office at Harrisburg in this Commonwealth where examinations may be held and where all its permanent records shall be kept which shall be open to public inspection It shall have power to make requisition upon the proper state officials for office rooms and supplies including stationery and furniture All printing and binding necessary for the work of the said board shall be done by the State Printer upon an order issued by said board through its president and secretary to the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding

Section 8 All fees received by said board for examination or from any other source shall be utilized in regulating the practice of optometry and paying the expenses of the board including necessary clerk hire as provided for in this act any surplus to be turned over to the State Treasurer at least once in each twelve months An annual audit of the accounts of the board shall be made by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth The treasurer of said board shall give a bond to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars for the faithful performance of his duties said bond to be approved by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth who shall be custodian of the bond

Section 9 The Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure shall refuse to grant a certificate of licensure to any applicant and may cancel revoke or suspend the operation of any certificate by it granted for any or all of the following reasons to wit The conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits or stimulants narcotics or any other substance which impairs the intellect and judgment to such an extent as to incapacitate for the performance of the duties of an optometrist. The certificate of licensure of any person convicted of a violation of section two of this act shall be ipso facto revoked

Any person who is the holder of a certificate of licensure or who is an applicant for examination for a certificate of licensure against whom is preferred any charge shall be furnished by the board with a copy of the complaint and shall have a hearing before the board at which hearing he may be represented by counsel At such hearing witnesses may be examined for and against the accused respecting the said charges which examination shall be conducted in the manner usually followed in the taking of testimony before commissions in this Commonwealth The suspensions of a certificate of licensure by reason of the use of stimulants or narcotics may be revoked when the holder thereof shall have been adjudged by the said board to be cured and capable of practicing optometry

Section 10 An applicant for a certificate of licensure who has been examined by the State Board of Optometrical Examiners of another state which through reciprocity similarly accredits the holder of a certificate issued by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of this Commonwealth to the full privileges or practice within such state shall on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars to the said board and on filing in the office of the board a true and attested copy of the said license certified by the president or secretary of the State board issuing the same and showing that the standard of requirements adopted and enforced by said board is equal to that provided for by this act shall without further examination receive a certificate of licensure provided that such applicant has not previously failed at an examination held by the Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure of this Commonwealth

Section 11 Nothing in this act shall be construed as conferring on the holder of any certificate of licensure issued by said board the title of doctor oculist opthalmologist or

any other word or abbreviation indicating that he is engaged in the practice of medicine or surgery of the treatment or diagnosis of diseases of or injuries to the human eye or the right to use drugs or medicines in any form for the treatment or examination of the human eye

Section 12 The provisions of this act shall not apply (a) to the physicians or surgeons practicing under authority of license issued under the laws of this Commonwealth for the practice of medicine or surgery or (b) to persons selling spectacles and eye-glasses but who do not assume directly or indirectly to adapt them to the eye nor neither practice or profess to practice optometry

Section 13 This act shall take effect and be in full force from the date of the appointment of the said board by the Governor as herein provided

Section 14 Whenever in this act the singular number is used it shall be interpreted as meaning both singular and plural if compatible with the sense of the language used and vice versa and wherever in this act the masculine gender is used it shall be construed as comprehending also the feminine gender

Section 15 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed it being intended that this act shall furnish a complete and exclusive system of and in itself for obtaining the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and for the regulation of the practice of optometry therein

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the sponsor to explain this bill, or someone representing the sponsor of the bill who is looking after it to explain it.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I am not the sponsor of the bill, yet two years ago I was sponsor for a bill that passed this House by almost a unanimous vote, giving these men who have been knocking at the door of this Legislature for years for permission and power to regulate their profession. In 1901 the first bill regulating this profession was passed in the State of Minnesota. During the sixteen since then forty-two states have passed an act giving the power to these men to regulate their own profession, and they have been knocking at the doors of this Legislature for the purpose of having the same power that the other forty-two states in the Union have given. But up to the present time they have failed to receive recognition.

The purpose of this bill is to give these men the power to regulate their profession under the act of 1911, known as the Board of Medical Examiners and Licensure, giving the medical fraternity the power to regulate their profession. Under the law of 1913 which amended the act of 1911 they amended the act so as to include all branches of the department in which they were interested. Immediately the Board of Medical Examiners and Licensure formed plans to put these men under the board and notified them that there would be an examination for them to come under that particular board, taking the act of 1913 for the purpose of claiming that optometry was a branch of the medical profession. Immediately these men went into the court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia and asked for an injunction. After a fair and careful hearing, an injunction was granted. They carried it to the Supreme Court of our State, and the Supreme Court sent down a decision, I think it was in 1916, or the latter part of 1915, that this particular profession was not and should not be considered a branch of the Medical Bureau of Education and Licensure. Now they come again to you for the purpose of appealing to you as men to give them the power of regulating their own profession, the same as the other branches which might be included as a branch under the act of 1913. They cannot come under that act and they are not a branch of the Medical Board of Examiners and Licensure. This House, this General Assembly, has granted to these other various professions power to regulate their own profession, and for that reason they come here asking you to give them the same power so that the thousand of quacks who come into the State of Pennsylvania—who had this law in New York, Maryland, and other states the right to say that such persons as the quack shall be prevented from fitting glasses for the eye which we know is a very important profession for the people of this Commonwealth.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Dunn.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Dunn, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, when I get through.

As I stated, to you gentlemen the only addition to this act from the one of 1915, passed as I said by almost a unanimous vote of this House is that each year a new license is issued to the members of this profession at a cost of two dollars to these men. The purpose of that is to create a fund to pay these men who do not get a salary —to pay these men ten dollars a day and their expenses, when these examinations are being held. That is the purpose of this act. They are appealing to you for that purpose.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, for information I merely wanted to ask the gentleman from Philadelphia whether the medical profession had an opportunity to be heard in the committee of Health and Sanitation with respect to this measure.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I am not on the committee of Health and Sanitation, which I was two years ago, but I think the Chairman probably of that committee might answer the question.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the Chairman of the Committee of Health and Sanitation whether the medical profession have had an opportunity to be heard in reference to this bill. I think they demanded a public hearing, at least I was given to understand that.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I had no request from anyone for a public hearing on this bill, and it was reported out last Tuesday.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—156.

Albee,	Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rudisill,
Aron,	Dunn,	McArdle,	Sarig,
Aston,	Eby,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Baker,	Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Scott,
Baldi,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Baldridge,	Fackler,	McKay,	Showalter,
Bechtold,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Sinclair,
Bell,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Smith, E. R.,
Benchoff,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Smith, F. L.,
Bennett,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gans,	Mervine,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Geary,	Michel,	Speicher,
Black,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stern,
Brady,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Gransback,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Swartz,
Canon,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hecht,	Neary,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Helt,	Perry,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Walker,
Corbin,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Wallace,
Cox,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Wells,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Whitaker,
Cummins,	Jack,	Rich,	Wickman,
Curry,	Jones,	Richards,	Wobensmith,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Woodward,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wylie,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wynne,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Zanders,
Dell,	Luppert,	Ross,	Baldwin,
Dewey,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Speaker.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	

NAYS—16.

Barner,	Marvin,	Reitzel,	Sweitzer,
Drake,	Musser,	Sampsel,	Taylor,
Lanius,	Palmer,	Shunk,	West,
Laucks,	Ramsey,	Siggins,	Williams, G. W.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 248, entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That section thirty-five of the act approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" which reads as follows

"Section 35 (1) If the partnership is not dissolved because it has become unlawful to carry on the business a partner cannot after dissolution bind the partnership to third persons by any act which is not necessary to wind up the partnership affairs or to complete transactions then unfinished unless

(a) Such third person having had relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended upon the faith of the partnership has had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(b) Such third person not having had business relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended to the partnership has no knowledge or notice of the dissolution and the fact of dissolution has not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation of the place (or of each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on and in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The partnership is in no case bound by the acts of a partner who has become bankrupt but this provision does not affect the liability of any person who as declared by section sixteen after bankruptcy has represented himself or consented to another's representing him to be a partner of the bankrupt" be and the same is hereby to read as follows

Section 35 Power of partner to bind partnership to third person after dissolution) (1) After dissolution a partner can bind the partnership except as provided in paragraph (3)

(a) By any act appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or completing transactions unfinished at dissolution

(b) By any transaction which would bind the partnership if dissolution had not taken place provided the other party to the transaction

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(II) Though he had not so extended credit had nevertheless known of the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of dissolution the fact of dissolution had not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the place (or in each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The liability of a partner under paragraph (1b) shall be satisfied out of partnership assets alone when such partner had been prior to dissolution

(a) Unknown as a partner to the person with whom the contract is made and

(b) So far unknown and inactive in partnership affairs that the business reputation of the partnership could not be said to have been in any degree due to his connection with it

(3) The partnership is in no case bound by any act of a partner after dissolution

(a) Where the partnership is dissolved because it is unlawful to carry on the business unless the act is appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or

(b) Where the partner has become bankrupt or

(c) Where the partner has no authority to wind up partnership affairs except by a transaction with one who

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of his want of authority or

(II) Had not extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of his want of authority the fact of his want of authority has not been advertised in the manner provided for advertising the fact of dissolution in paragraph (1b II)

(4) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability under section sixteen of any person who after dissolution represents himself or consents to another representing him as a partner in a partnership engaged in carrying on business

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—192.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aron,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milner,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stites,
Bovee,	Hess,	Musser,	Stoffiet,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Brumbaugh,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Horne,	Perry,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hough,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Powell,	Urich,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rich,	Walter,
Curry,	Laucks,	Richards,	Weimer,
Dale,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Donnelley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKay,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McKinney,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 447, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms billiard rooms bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and to regulate the time for closing the same

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the eighteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act for the better regulation of public pool rooms billiard rooms bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" which reads as follows to-wit

"Section 1 Be it enacted etcetera That it shall not be lawful for the licensed keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of any public pool rooms billiard rooms bowling saloon or tenpin alley in this Commonwealth knowingly to allow or permit any person under the age of eighteen years to be present in such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley and that the keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley knowingly allowing or permitting any person under the age of eighteen years to be present therein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars" and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted etcetera That it shall not be lawful for the licensed keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of any public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley in this Commonwealth to remain open between the hours of twelve o'clock midnight and six o'clock Ante Meridian of each and every night and on the first day of the week commonly called the Sabbath Day and knowingly to allow or permit any person under the age of eighteen years to be present in such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley and that the keeper proprietor owner or superintendent of such public pool rooms billiard room bowling saloon or tenpin alley keeping open between the hours of twelve o'clock midnight and six o'clock Ante Meridian of any night or on the first day of the week commonly called the Sabbath Day and knowingly allowing or permitting any person under the age of eighteen years to be present therein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each offense to be collected by process of summary conviction before any magistrate or justice of the peace as like fines and penalties are now by law collected

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would ask that the sponsor of this bill explain its purposes.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to close the bowling alleys, pool rooms, billiard rooms, and so forth, at 12 o'clock, and on the Sabbath. The bill does not prohibit the concluding of any game that may be in operation, but the doors are to be closed at 12 o'clock so that no additional game can be taken up afterwards. The purpose of the bill is to protect against unseasonable hours for these kinds of games. We all recognize that the proper place

for a young man, or all men for that matter, is at home after midnight, and to have these places open is an inducement for wrong in keeping them away from their homes.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—94.

Albee,	Dean,	Maurer,	Scott,
Aston,	Dewey,	McCullough,	Shunk,
Baker,	Drake,	McCurdy,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Eby,	McKay,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	McPeake,	Sones,
Bell,	Goodwin,	McVicar,	Spangler,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Mehring,	Speicher,
Bennett,	Haldeman,	Miller, A. D.,	Sprowls,
Benninger,	Helt,	Miller, Allan,	Sterling,
Bidelspacher,	Hess,	Miller, C. G.,	Stofflet,
Black,	Heyburn,	Milliron,	Sweitzer,
Bovee,	Hollingsworth,	Milner,	Thomas,
Boyd,	Horne,	Morgan, T.,	Ulsh,
Brumbaugh,	Isherwood,	Murdoch,	Vickerman,
Campbell, T.,	Jack,	Musser,	Vogdes,
Campbell, T.,	Jones,	Ogden,	Walker,
Chestnut,	Lanius,	Phillips,	Wallace,
Coldsmith,	Laucks,	Ramsey,	Whitaker,
Cook,	Lewis,	Reitzel,	Williams, G. W
Cox,	Lohr,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wylie,
Davis, D. F.,	Luppert,	Rich,	Baldwin,
Davis, W.,	Malie,	Ross,	Speaker.
Dawson,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	

NAYS—49.

Beyer,	Fitzgibbon,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sarig,
Boulton, H.,	Fretz,	Neary,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Brady,	Gans,	Palmer,	Stern,
Canon,	Hecht,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Conner,	Hollern,	Perry,	Urich,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Walter,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Richards,	West,
Cummins,	Leary,	Ringler,	Wickman,
Curry,	Mangan,	Rininger,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Rothenberger,	Wynne,
Erdman,	Michel,	Ruddy,	
Fackler,			

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative, and the bill falls.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 509 (Senate Bill No. 118), as follows:

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the several counties of this Commonwealth shall have power and they are hereby authorized whenever the commissioners or a majority of them shall by resolution duly adopted deem it expedient so to do and upon the approval thereof by a grand jury and by the court of quarter sessions as hereinafter provided to cause to be located constructed operated and maintained under the provisions of this act a public highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road or highways bridges tunnels subways or underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof and any highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road constructed under the provisions of this act shall forever thereafter be a county highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road and the duty of maintaining the same and keeping in repair shall devolve upon the county and the expense thereof shall be paid by the county as hereinafter provided

Section 2 Whenever the commissioners of any county shall resolve to construct any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road in accordance with the provisions of this act they shall cause to be prepared surveys and plans for said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road with an estimate of the cost and expense of the same and shall thereupon present such surveys plans and estimate or a copy thereof together with their petition to the court of quarter sessions of the county and upon the filing thereof the court shall direct notice to be given of the same substantially describing the location and termini of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road by publication at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in the county wherein said proposed public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road is to be constructed or if no newspaper be published in said county then in a newspaper or newspapers published in the nearest adjoining county of the time when said application is to be laid before the grand jury and after advertisement as aforesaid the said court shall cause the said application to be laid before the grand jury when in session and if a majority of said grand jury after a full investigation by the grand jury shall approve the same they shall certify their approval to the court whereupon the court shall fix such time for filing exceptions to said proceedings as the court shall deem proper and upon hearing thereof the said court may for cause shown disallow said application but if no sufficient cause be shown to the contrary said application shall be approved and said court shall thereupon order that said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road be constructed in accordance with the plans and surveys accompanying the said application and thereupon the right to proceed with said construction of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as set forth in said proceedings shall remain absolute

Section 3 For the purpose of making all necessary preliminary surveys in order to prepare such plans and estimates the commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth and the persons by them employed for such purposes shall and are hereby given the right to enter upon private or public property and designate by proper marks upon the ground the line and location of any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road proposed to be constructed under and for the purpose authorized in section one of this act

Section 4 In the location construction maintenance and operation of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road it shall be lawful for the several counties to enter upon take appropriate and use whatever land ground and property may be necessary for the proper construction thereof and of the proper approaches slopes fills embankments the damages therefor if any shall be taken into consideration and determined and reported by the said board of viewers in the manner herein provided

Section 5 When said application surveys and plans shall have been finally approved by such court and said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road ordered to be constructed as aforesaid the said county commissioners or a majority of them shall endeavor to agree with the persons or parties interested in the properties affected thereby as to the damages if any sustained by reason of the taking injuring or destroying such property and upon agreement being made the said county commissioners shall report the same to such court showing the amount of damages agreed to be paid and the names of the persons or parties to whom the same are payable and upon the approval thereof by such court the said damages shall be payable by said commissioners out of the moneys specifically raised for such purposes in the manner hereinafter provided

Section 6 In case the said commissoners or a majority of them and the parties interested in the land upon or under which said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road shall be or is to be constructed as aforesaid fail to agree upon the compensation to be made for the property so taken injured or destroyed by reason of such construction then upon petition of such commissioners or a majority of them or any person or parties interested in said proposed construction and whose property or land is affected thereby to a court of common pleas of said county the said court of common pleas shall appoint three disinterested freeholders residents of the county aforesaid as viewers and appoint a time not less than twenty nor more than thirty days thereafter when said viewers shall meet upon the line of the proposed construction and view the same and the properties affected thereby The said viewers shall give at least ten days' notice by publication in the newspapers aforesaid of the time and place of their first meeting and shall also give notice thereof by handbills posted in conspicuous places in the vicinity of the said proposed public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road

Section 7 The said viewers having been sworn or affirmed faithfully justly and impartially to decide and true report make concerning all matters and things to be submitted to them and in relation to which they are authorized to inquire under the provisions of this act and having viewed the properties connected with and affected by said proposed improvement shall hear all parties interested and their witnesses and having due regard to the advantages and disadvantages shall estimate and determine the damages if any for the property taken used or appropriated and to whom the same are payable They shall give at least ten days' notice thereof in the manner herein provided to all parties interested of the time and place when said viewers will meet and exhibit their report and hear any exceptions thereto After making whatever changes are deemed necessary and proper said viewers shall make report to said court showing the damages if any allowed and file therewith a plan showing the properties acquired

taken used and appropriated for the purpose aforesaid and the names of the parties or persons to whom such damages are payable The said viewers shall have the right to adjourn from day to day as may be found necessary and to administer oaths to all parties and witnesses appearing before them and desiring to be heard upon all matters connected with the construction maintenance repair change or extension of the public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground roads as aforesaid

Section 8 All damages found awarded or sustained for or on account of the construction maintenance and operation of any public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road under the provisions of this act and all costs and expense thereafter incurred in repairing and maintaining such public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road shall be paid from the funds raised by taxation or by bonds as hereinafter provided and authorized

Section 9 The viewers provided for in the preceding sections may be appointed before or at any time after the entry taking appropriation or injury of any property used and acquired in said construction The costs of said viewers and all court costs incurred including all advertising and notices shall be paid by said county and each of the said viewers shall be entitled as compensation to a sum not exceeding five dollars per day for every day necessarily employed in performing the duties herein prescribed

Section 10 Upon the report of said viewers or a majority of them being filed in said court any party in interest may within thirty days hereafter file exceptions to the same and the court shall have the power to confirm said report or to modify change or otherwise correct and amend the same or refer the same back to the same or new viewers with like power as to their report or within thirty days after the filing of any report in court the county commissioners on behalf of the county or any party whose property is taken injured or destroyed may appeal therefrom and demand a trial by jury and any party so interested may within thirty days after final decree and confirmation of said report by said court have an appeal either to the Superior or the Supreme Court according to law That said court of common pleas shall have the power to order and direct what notices shall be given in connection with any part of said proceedings and make such orders as it may deem requisite in the premises For the purposes of this act it shall be lawful for a majority of said board of viewers to hear determine pass upon and report all matters in this act relating to said viewers but all said viewers shall act unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable cause

Section 11 After said surveys and plans and the aforesaid applications to the court of quarter sessions shall have been approved by the court and the said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as decreed by said court of common pleas ordered to be made and constructed in accordance therewith the commissioners or a majority of them of the respective counties wherein said improvement is made or to be made and constructed shall invite proposals for the making and constructing of the same or such part or parts of same as the commissioners shall deem proper by publication in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in said county or if no newspaper published in said county then in a newspaper or newspapers published in the nearest adjoining county once a week for four consecutive weeks fixing a time therein when such proposals will be opened and contracts therefor awarded In addition to the notices so ordered to be given for publication there shall be posted in the office of said commissioners of the respective counties like notices as those now given inviting proposals for the construction and repair of all public highways and bridges The contract or contracts as aforesaid shall be awarded by the said commissioners or a majority of them to the lowest responsible bidder No contract shall be awarded for any of said public work until proper bonds shall be given for the faithful performance thereof by the person or persons to whom the same shall be awarded with proper security to be approved by said commissioners or a majority of them Any incorporated company doing business within any of said counties authorized by law to become security for persons or corporations may be taken and accepted as surety upon the bonds herein required to be given

Section 12 For the purpose of performing all necessary duties relating to the construction improvement maintenance and repair of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads herein authorized the said county commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized to employ or appoint proper persons to do all necessary and proper work connected therewith and shall fix the compensation of all persons so employed

Section 13 The said county commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized and empowered to make and enter into a contract or lease with any street railway or transportation company its successors and assigns for the concurrent use of such a portion of said public highway bridge tunnel subway and underground road as shall not substantially impair or restrict the public use and enjoyment thereof upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon Provided however That no such contract or lease for the concurrent use of a portion of such improvement shall be for a longer term or period than twenty years And provided further That no such contract or lease shall be made or entered into by the said county commissioners or a majority thereof affecting the public use and enjoyment of said improvement or any part thereof except upon and after any such contract or lease has been duly approved by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county

Section 14 The said commissioners or a majority of them of the several counties of this Commonwealth are hereby authorized to levy assess and collect an annual tax of not more than two mills on the dollar on all real and personal property within said county now or hereafter taxable for county purposes for the purpose of acquiring and securing a fund from which to pay all costs damages and expenses required in locating opening constructing maintaining and repairing public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads constructed under the provisions of this act and the taking using and enjoying of such land as may be made necessary in constructing the same and in maintaining proper slopes embankments approaches and termini for said public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and the money so raised shall not be used or expended for any other purpose than that named in this section All warrants for the payment of any portion of the money raised for the purposes aforesaid shall be issued by said commissioners or a majority of them in the manner now provided by law in the several counties upon estimates which shall be made from time to time by the person charged with such duty and the amount and time within which the same shall be paid shall be fixed and determined in the contract made for the public work herein authorized

Section 15 The several counties are hereby authorized when the county commissioners of the respective county shall by a majority vote resolve so to do to borrow money and to incur indebtedness to an amount in the aggregate not exceeding one-half of one per centum of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county as fixed by the last preceding assessed valuation thereof for the construction of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads or for the purpose of funding any indebtedness incurred therefor and to issue as evidence thereof registered or coupon bonds payable within thirty years from the date of their issue and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum payable annually or semi-annually Said bonds shall not be sold for less than their par value and accrued interest

Section 16 Said commissioners or a majority of them are hereby authorized to make provision for a sinking fund to pay at maturity any bonded indebtedness which may be incurred as hereinbefore provided and to levy and collect taxes on all the taxable property in the several countes in addition to all other taxes for the purpose of paying the same

Section 17 Should any board of county commissioners in the exercise of the powers herein conferred deem it necessary or advisable to enter upon or appropriate any highway street or property of any city or borough in said county or take any other action affecting the property rights or authority of such city or borough for the purpose of constructing or maintaining a highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road or otherwise the consent thereto of such city or borough by ordinance shall be obtained before the actual entering in or upon or the appropriation of such street highway or property and after such entry and appropriation by any county as aforesaid said county shall be liable and charged with the supervision control and maintenance of said highway streets and properties or so much thereof as is taken and used for the purpose of constructing and maintaining such highway bridge tunnel subway or underground road

Section 18 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—138.

Albee,	Dunn,	McCaig,	Shunk,
Aston,	Eby,	McCullough,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Erdman,	McKay,	Smith, B. R.,
Baldi,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Smith, F. L.,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Sones,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Spangler,
Bell,	Gans,	Mehring,	Speicher,
Bennett,	Geary,	Michel,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Steedle,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Black,	Goodwin,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Neary,	Strauss,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Perry,	Thomas,
Burnett,	Helt,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Powell,	Urich,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Conner,	Horton,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cook,	Hough,	Richards,	Walter,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Rininger,	Wells,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Cummins,	Jones,	Ross,	Wickman,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Woodward,

Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dean.	Malie,	Scott,	Zanders,
Drake,	Marvin,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Showalter,	Speaker.

NAYS—12.

Brumbaugh,	Dell,	Morgan, T.,	Siggins,
Campbell, J. O.,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	McCurdy,	Rudisill,	West,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time from page 2 of today's calendar bills on final passage postponed, House Bill No. 185, File Folio 623.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 185 entitled

An Act amending section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts, instead of imposing sentences; the appointment of probation and parole officers, and the payment of their salaries and expenses; regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases, and providing for their release on parole; their conviction of crime during parole, and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole; and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries," approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven; in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third of the maximum sentence.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, when this bill was before the House some few days ago it was not my intention to speak upon it, for I felt that it had so much merit in it that the House would probably be able to find it. I did not want to for another reason, and that is, that I realize that there is a danger in too much speaking. I recall, Sir, that after McKinley had been assassinated two Irishmen were discussing that holocaust and one said, "Sure, they will hang that rascal." The other said, "No, they won't." And the first asked why. The second Irishman replied, "Don't you know now in New York they kill them with elocution." So it is not my intention to destroy any of the lives of this House with elocution. I can recall as a boy, in studying the catechism, that there was a question in it like this: "What kind of a place is Heaven?" And the answer is, "A most glorious, holy and happy place." Now to the members of the twenty-first district in Philadelphia this House is a most glorious and happy place; I will not, however, say we are holy. And for that reason, Mr. Speaker, I do not want to injure any man by having him listen to a very long speech. However, there has been injected into this bill that which I consider a personal attack. There has been misinformation disseminated among the members of this House, and at this time I am extremely thankful that this bill was not called on Monday night. Had it been, the printed memorandum which you received yesterday might cause you to feel that I had, perchance, attempted to do something which in all honor I should not have done. I recall the danger of misinformation in a story given us some time ago about an Irishman who went one evening to confession. He came late and there was a great crowd waiting at the church, and one of the priests came out and saw him there and said, "Paddy, you are late to-night." "Yes," he said, "I just got off the cars a few moments ago." The priest said that this was Saturday night and he would take his confession, saying, "Have you ever committed murder?" "No. sir; I have not." Then the priest said, "If you have not, then come back next Thursday night." The Irishman went on down street, and meeting a friend, said: "Barney, where are you going?" Barney answered, "To the church." The first Irishman said, "Have you ever committed murder?" He answered, "No, I never have." Then the first man said, "If you have not, then the confession is off until Thursday night, they are only hearing murder cases to-night." The information in that case was incorrect and so it is in this one. I will take the first issue—I will not call the man a lawyer, but a member of the bar of Philadelphia. He has written you men regarding the purposes of this bill. I want to say to you men that when I drafted this bill I drafted it as a result of conditions which I found existing in the Eastern Penitentiary and also existing in other State institutions, as well as the western, and in the reformatories. I found on examination of the records of these institutions that the practice which this State, which the Federal Government, has approved—that of parole, has been more or less forgotten. I found that men were sent to the penitentiary supposedly to be corrected who were not corrected and who had no chance to be corrected because, gentlemen, this House has declared more than once that the parole system is a system of correction. This House has declared that there is more in imprisonment than merely keeping a man behind the bars. It has declared that the purpose of imprisonment is correcting a man and sending him forth if he proves himself equal to the occasion among his fellow men until the expiration of such maximum sentence as shall be imposed upon him. I first intend to point out the erroneous statements, and I will be charitable and not term them false, by a certain member of the bar. He says that I represented a man in 1915 who was charged with forgery and embezzlement. It is true; I represented a young man whom I knew from his birth who was given perhaps an unfortunate environment and who did rob the company of which he was the acting secretary. Upon examination of the facts of that case I advised him to plead guilty. He did plead guilty to four bills which on the suggestion of the District Attorney were then called up. He received a sentence of from five to seven years in the Eastern Penitentiary and he entered, immediately upon the service of his sentence. After the Committee on Judiciary Special had received a letter from this member of the bar I brought out the remaining four bills and on Friday last I had him plead guilty to these remaining four bills. The judge did not impose sentence and will not impose sentence until next month. I was charged, at that time, before the Court with introducing a bill for the purpose of helping in this case; such, gentlemen, is furtherest from my mind, because this House, and every man in it realizes that with this bill under consideration and with your approval of the bill, this young man will receive, if the Court decides, the maximum sentence which shall be equal if not more than the five years that has been the sentence of the minimum. He further says, and this galls me more than anything else, that I have recently made an effort to obtain this young man's release. I made no effort to obtain his release. He says also that I approached him and his client with an idea of obtaining their consent. That, gentlemen, is cut out of the whole cloth. I would not approach him for a personal reason which I do not care to state. It is enough to say that he considers me his enemy because I have disposed of him two or three times. He does not practice according to the ethical practice of lawyers, and he charges me with that offense which he himself commits, the calling upon another lawyer's client; getting in touch with another lawyer's client and attempting to destroy the value of another lawyer's client by personal contact. Therefore, I want to assure you men, on my solemn honor, that I never got in contact with that man or with his client nor do I intend to. This bill has the approval of the Prison Society of Pennsylvania which has done so much to improve present conditions. I am going to ask you to give me your ears for a moment while I tell you the history of the parole legislation of this Stae: In 1909 the first parole bill was passed, and that bill provides among other things that a maximum sentence imposed on a prisoner was the maximum provided by the statute and the minimum would have to be one-fourth of that maximum. It would appear that a man would be entitled to consideration on the first offense. The Prison Society realized that it was very hard to give the man the limit when he ought to have the benefit of what was provided by the Court not to exceed the maximum imposed. What is the result? They are sentenced like this: Not more than twenty years and not less than nineteen years and eleven months and twenty-nine days; not more than sixteen years, and not less than fifteen years and eleven months. Not less than fifteen years and not more than fifteen years and one month; and I ask you, gentlemen, where any prisoner has a chance to redeem him-

self with a sentence like that? I aslo take this position that the Court with one or two or three hours' knowledge of a prisoner has not the same information which those men who are charged with his custody have when under their control for months. I also claim that very frequently the prisoner, even a second or third offender at times, is convinced of his error and if he is permitted to go he never comes back. Gentlemen, the record of the prisons throughout this great Union is that seventy-five per cent. of these men paroled do not come back but make good. It is, therefore, for us proving as we have in the past that this parole legislation which gives a chance to the prisoner when he goes in the prison and you can go to that man and say, "You are behind the bars, but here is the key to get out, if you will abide by the rules and regulations of this prison. We want you to show yourself to be a man worthy of confidence and we will give you a chance and you are paroled." Now, what is the purpose of this amendment under consideration? It gives a man what you might say is a medium between the old act of 1909 and this prostitution of sentence by giving a man a one day parole. It says to him, "You go in and you will serve so much as a minimum and if then you have shown yourself to be approved you will be permitted to go until the end of your maximum sentence." Gentlemen, if you will take the trouble to read the Act of 1911,, to which this is an amendment, you will find that the man must specify to the Board of Prison Inspectors who examine carefully every detail of his sentence, the surroundings and the environment and you will find that after that has been done by the Board of Inspectors it goes to the Governor for his approval and after he has approved it it goes to the Board of Pardons and they will hold a hearing on the subject. What was the purpose of the Act? To give a man a chance after serving one-third if he proved equal to making good. This very House, in 1913, said that that was a good plan, because in 1913 this House passed a bill, the first section of which I will read: "That any convict in the State penitentiaries who is now serving under a sentence or sentences imposed prior to the first day of July 1911, may, when he or she shall have served one-third of such sentence or sentences be eligible to parole under the provisions and subject to the conditions of the Act to which this is a supplement." The United States Congress considered this matter in 1910, which provides that a man may be released on parole after serving one-third of his sentence. In 1912 the Congress of the United States again considered that Act and approved it, and added to it this provision which is not in my amendment: That is, where a prisoner has been sentenced for life, if he has served fifteen years he may be released on parole for the remaindr of his life. My position is to the acts of the courts as it now stands in some cases where a man is not given a chance is this: Because they obey the letter of the law but they don't obey its spirit. You men all know that the letter killeth and the spirit maketh life. You men also know that an act like this, as it now stands, reminds us for all the world of those beautiful statues of Lincoln, of Grant, of Washington, and of Franklin. We look on a beautiful visage but not of the life that was there. Therefore, I ask you to give these men a chance to redeem themselves and go out amongst their fellowmen and make good. I ask you men to stand with me and give these men a chance to redeem their character and become good citizens. The Act is absolutely humane. There is merit in it; there is a square deal in it for every man that wants a square deal and for the crook and for the man who will not take it, or for the man who breaks his parole, there is a greater sentence than ever before.

Mr. GOODWIN. Mr. Speaker, I care nothing about the personalities that have been injected into the consideration of this bill. Personalities should have no place in the consideration of any bill, much less the consideration of a bill that relates to our criminal statutes. This bill, gentlemen, is not in harmony with our criminal code. There are two systems of arrangement of the terms of criminal punishment; one is to provide a maximum and also to provide a certain minimum. Gentlemen, the revisers of our criminal code, men of extensive experience in criminal practice, after consideration were emphatic in favor of leaving the minimum sentence to the discretion of the court that tried the case. Anyone who has had experience in the trial of criminal cases must know that there is a great difference in the atrocity of the crimes that come before the court. Some are surrounded by extenuating circumstances while others are surrounded by such atrocity that the offender deserves no mercy whatever. Now, who is so well qualified to determine the facts about what should be the minimum sentence as the court who tries the defendant? He hears the evidence; he observes the defendant; he hears the witnesses, and how can we, gentlemen, legislate about cases we know nothing about as well as the court that tries the defendant charged with the crime?

What will be the result if this bill passes? If the defendant in any case serves one third of his maximum sentence, the next step will be to apply for a parole. The Board of Prison Inspectors sit once every month, and the next step would be to take his case to that Board, and if that Board does not approve his parole they must give a detailed statement of their reasons to the Governor of this Commonwealth. Examples are numerous where one-third of the maximum sentence would be entirely inadequate to the crime charged. For example, the crime of assault with intent to kill; no difference how heinous may be the act, no difference how aggravating the circumstances. the maximum sentence is seven years; the minimum would be a little over two years. Then, no difference how near the assassin or attempted assassin would come to killing his victim, after he had served two and one-third years he could apply to the Board of Prison Inspectors for parole. What is the object of our criminal law? The criminal law feels and regrets every pain it causes, but it is for the protection of society; it is for the punishment of the guilty and to protect the innocent. Therefore, gentlemen, because I believe this bill, if it becomes a law, is out of harmony with our whole criminal code, and because I believe it would take something away from the security of society and something away from the protection of the innocent, I am opposed to it.

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, I should be sorry if the House should reverse its position on this bill. The Judges of this State are certainly to be trusted in the administration of the criminal law. I do not approve of the conduct of some judges who impose sentences such as mentioned by the gentleman from Philadelphia, but I submit that those cases are exceptions and not general. Personally I should favor a bill of this sort which would give the courts, which would cut down their discretion to a certain extent, but when you consider that the maximum penalty for larceny is three years and the maximum penalty for aggravated assault and battery is three years and not less than one, and the man could be paroled after one year, there is some circumstances where the offender should not be paroled after the end of a year. The penalty for forgery is, as I recall it, five years, and there are circumstances in that case where the offender ought not to be paroled within fifteen months after his incarceration. The Legislature tried this indeterminate plan in substantially the same manner in 1909, as the gentleman from Philadelphia has told you. That action was reversed, and it would seem now that we would be making a mistake to go back to the act of 1909 after it had been tried in the judgment of this body and found wanting. If a bill of this sort were introduced so that the judges would have the discretion, say of fifty per cent. of the maximum, that is, could make the minimum not more than fifty per cent. of the maximum, it would have my cordial support; but this bill is running too far in the other direction.

Mr. McNICHOL. The gentlemen who have spoken in opposition to this bill seem to lose sight of the fact that before a prisoner could avail himself of its provisions the merit of his application for a parole would be most carefully inquired into. The Judge imposing the sentence would be consulted; the prison authorities would be consulted; the Governor would have to approve, and the Board of Pardons; and I submit, gentlemen, that the gauntlet that the prisoner would have to run before he would get his parole would insure justice being done.

Now, I had no interest particularly in this bill until by accident I went into our Court of Quarter Sessions No. 2 on last Friday, and the case referred to by my colleague from Philadelphia was before the Court, and I want to say to you gentlemen that the lawyer who has importuned you men to oppose this bill showed anything but a Chris-

tian-like spirit in his demeanor before that court. He did not appear there as an honest prosecutor, but he appeared there as a persecutor. As Mr. Walker told you, his interest in the defendant was that of a schoolboy friend, and this man who asks you to-day to vote against this measure, his whole cry to the Court was this: "If he makes restitution and gives back the money that he defrauded the company of, we are satisfied to let him go." He was not there for the purpose of protecting society; he was there for the purpose of obtaining dollars and cents.

Now, gentlemen, we all know the temptations that men are subject to; we all know that in the moment of weakness when temptations present themselves any of us may fall and that men who have practiced in the Courts of Quarter Sessions of the various counties from which we come can point to shining examples of men who occupy high places in the community to-day who were weak in that moment of temptation and who yielded to the temptation and underwent prison sentence. and when they found that an opportunity would be afforded to them whereby they might retrieve their loss, where they would have an opportunity to re-establish themselves as members of the community, to-day occupy high places; and there is not a man here, if he will stop to consider, that won't feel that the most lowly is worthy of the helping hand because it has been well said that "there is good in the worst of us."

I look upon this bill as a meritorious one, and I am asking you gentlemen to-day to give your assent to its passage in order to show that you are humane and that you are willing to help the unfortunate and give him his chance; not as my friend on the right or my friend on the left thinks, that the mere application for a parole under this law would give the right to the defendant to go free—not at all; he would have to run the gauntlet of the inquiry before referred to by me, and if his case was not a meritorious one it would not receive favor. Gentlemen of the House, give your assent to this bill. Consider that even though but one man benefits by it you actually have performed your duty when you give him a chance again and he takes his place in the community as a worthy citizen.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—133.

Aston,	Flynn,	Mearkle,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Showalter,
Baldi,	Gans,	Michel,	Shunk,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Siggins,
Bennett,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, E. R.,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Smith, F. I.,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Milner,	Smith, J. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Smith, O. W.,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Palmer,	Stern,
Conner,	Howarth,	Perry,	Strauss,
Cook,	Jack,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Corbin,	Jones,	Powell,	Taylor,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Curry,	Lauler,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ringler,	Walker,
Dell,	Mangan,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	McCullough,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McKay,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Eby,	McKinney,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McNichol,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McPeake,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,		

NAYS—33.

Albee,	Chestnut,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,
Baldridge,	Christman,	Lohr,	Sones,
Barner,	Fretz,	Marvin,	Stoffiet,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Sweitzer,
Bechtold,	Graham,	Miller, Allan,	Wallace,
Benninger,	Hess,	Musser,	Walter,
Black,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	West,
Burnett,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Williams, G. W.
Campbell, J. O.,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 331 (Senate Bill No. 12), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties."

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, I learned from the Senator from Allegheny who introduced this bill in the Senate that the Act of 1915 requires retiring aldermen, magistrates, and justices of the peace to file their dockets in the Prothonotary's office.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz;

YEAS—172.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	Mangan,	Rogers,
Arthur,	Erdman,	Marvin,	Ross,
Aston,	Fackler,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	McArdle,	Ruddy,
Baldridge,	Flynn,	McCaig,	Rudisill,
Barner,	Fowler,	McCullough,	Sampsel,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	McKay,	Sarig,
Bell,	Fretz,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Benchoff,	Gans,	McNichol,	Scott,
Bennett,	Geary,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Benninger,	Glass,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Beyer,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Black,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Boulton, H.,	Gormley,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bovee,	Graham,	Miller, Allan,	Sones,
Boyd,	Gransback,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Speicher,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Mitchell,	Steedle,
Canon,	Hess,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Murdoch,	Stofflet,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Murphy,	Strauss,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Musser,	Swartz,
Cook,	Horne,	Neary,	Taylor,
Corbin,	Horton,	Ogden,	Thomas,
Cox,	Howarth,	Palmer,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Patterson,	Urich,
Cummins,	Jack,	Perry,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Jennings,	Phillips,	Wallace,
Dale,	Jones,	Pickering,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Ramsey,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Reitzel,	Wells,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Reynolds,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Lauler,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Leary,	Rich,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Richards,	Wylie,
Drake,	Lohr,	Ringler,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	Luppert,	Rininger,	Zanders,
Dunn,	Malie,	Rinn,	Baldwin,
Eby,			Speaker.

NAYS—6.

Dell,	Powell,	Sweitzer,	West,
McCurdy,	Siggins,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendments.

Agreeably to order.

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to further carry out the provisions of the act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (P. L. 938), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the Port of Erie by dredging the said basins; for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins, and erecting certain walls in the same; for the protection of the said State canal basins, with harbor of Erie; authoriz-

ing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements; and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public, and kept in repairs."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—190.

Albee,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Aston,	Gans,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Baker,	Geary,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milner,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Black,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hess,	Musser,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Sterling,
Brady,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Horne,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Canon,	Horton,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Hough,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cook,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Dale,	Laucks,	Rich,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dean,	Lohr,	Rinn,	West,
Dell,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Malie,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Eby,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McKay,	Scott,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fowler,	McPeake,		

NAYS—2.

Chestnut,	Hoffman,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. RAMSEY in the Chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital, located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—191.

Albee,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Musser,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hess,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Christman,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Conner,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Cox,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Rich,	Wallace.
Cummins,	Lauler,	Richards,	Walter,
Curry,	Leary,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rinn,	West,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Malie,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dell,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McNichol,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 461, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and thirty-seven) entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. FRANKLIN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Amend section 1, line 28—strike out the word such.

Amend section 1, line 1, on page 3—strike out words sum or sums for inspection as shall be fixed by ordinance of councils of said city and insert after the word health on line 28, page 2, the words "the sum of two dollars."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instruction of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 359, entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to have the sponsor of this bill explain its provisions.

Mr. BENNINGER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I do not think that this bill needs much explanation. I introduced this bill by request. I am not a lawyer, and I do not know a great deal about it. All the lawyers that I consulted about it tell me it is a good bill. I want to say that several years ago I had a friend that showed cattle at a fair. After he went away from there they attached his premium money. He wrote me about four weeks after that he could not get his money. When I went to Easton to get an appeal so that he could get his money, my attorney told me that he could not have any appeal, so I know that this is a good bill.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—184.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McKay,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Baker,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Black,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Brady,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.	Hess,	Murdoch,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Phillips,	Urich,
Conner,	Horton,	Pickering,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hough,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Richards,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dean,	Leary,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Eby,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McCullough,		

NAYS—1.

Drake,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 262, entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—173.

Albee,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Scott,
Aston,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mehring,	Showalter,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mervine,	Shunk,
Barner,	Golder,	Michel,	Simpson,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Sinclair,
Bell,	Gormley,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, E. R.,
Benchoff,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,
Bennett,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Black,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Hess,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Musser,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Horne,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hough,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Christman,	Howarth,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Conner,	Jack,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cook,	Jennings,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Dale,	Leary,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Richards,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Malie,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Ross,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCullough,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McKay,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Flynn,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 445, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes,' approved the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board, authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician, and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station, and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto," approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the sponsor I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 472, as follows

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or char-

acter the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twenty-one of the act entitled "An act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal mill-race works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance, or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one which reads as follows

"Section 21 Within one month after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings an affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 21 Within thirty days after the filing of the claim the claimant shall serve a notice upon the owner of the fact of the filing of the claim giving the court term and number and the date of filing thereof and shall file of record in said proceedings and affidavit setting forth the fact and manner of such service Said notice may be served upon the owner personally anywhere or such notice may be served on an adult member of his family or of the family with whom he resides if such owner resides within the county where the structure or other improvement is situate If he resides without the county where such structure or improvement is situate then such notice may be served either on his architect or on the party in possession of the structure or improvement or it may be posted on some public part of the structure or other improvement and such service shall be of the same force and effect as if served upon the defendant personally A failure to serve such notice and file an affidavit thereof within the time specified shall be sufficient ground for striking off the claim

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—182.

Albee,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aston,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Horne,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Christman,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Cox,	Lanius,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Rich,	Wells,
Curry,	Leary,	Richards,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Mangan,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,		

NAYS—1.

Erdman,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 332 (Senate Bill No. 14), entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven, of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 198), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Baker,	Gans,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, Allen,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stern,
Bovee,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Boyd,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Patterson,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hough,	Perry,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Pickering,	Urich,
Cook,	Jack,	Powell,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Richards,	West,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Malie,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Mangan,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Eby,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Yost,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Flynn,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

RESOLUTION.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF RESPECT TO THE MEMORY OF SENATOR MAGEE.

Mr. McCAIG asked and obtained unanimous consent to offer a resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to, as follows:

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That when this House adjourns to-day, that it adjourns to meet Monday evening, March nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, at nine o'clock, out of respect to the memory of the late Senator Charles J. Magee.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 501 (Senate Bill No. 82), entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—184.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hess,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Christman,	Howarth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cox,	Lanius,	Rich,	Walter,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Richards,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Curry,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dale,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Scott,	Yost,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Fackler,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 195, as follows

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes' approved the ninth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate granite stone or rocks or for dressing polishing working or manufacturing the same or any of them and to mineral springs companies incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three" approved the nineteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one extending the same to companies formed for the purposes of manufacturing and selling chemicals foodstuffs cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock' approved May twenty-eighth one thousand nine hundred and seven extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business"' approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products" extending the same to companies engaged in packing manipulating or manufacturing tobacco or manufacturing cigars cigarettes or other tobacco products or for the purpose of briquetting coal or other minerals or for the purpose of manufacturing rubber in any form

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws sixty-three) entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes' approved the ninth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate granite stone or rocks or for dressing polishing working or manufacturing the same or any of them and to mineral springs companies incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water approved the sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three" approved the nineteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals foodstuffs cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock' approved May twenty-eighth one thousand nine hundred and seven extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business'" approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products" which reads as follows

"It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass or for the quarrying of slate granite cement rock stone or rocks of any kind or for dressing polishing or manufacturing the same or any of them or for any mineral springs company incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water or for any company incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing supplying and sale of ice or for the manufacture and sale of chemicals or for the manufacture and sale of food-stuffs and eatables cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock or for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or

part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the contol or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a geenal manufacturing business or for refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And providing further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass or for the quarrying of slate granite cement rock stone or rocks of any kind or for dressing polishing or manufacturing the same or any of them or for any mineral springs company incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water or for any company incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing supplying and sale of ice or for the manufacture and sale of chemicals or for the manufacture and sale of food stuffs and eatables cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock or for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and to producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business or for refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products or for the purpose of packing manipulating or manufacturing tobacco or manufacturing cigars cigarettes or other tobacco products or for the purpose of briquetting coal or other minerals or for the purpose of manufacturing rubber in any form to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further TFiat no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organzied under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Fowler,	McKay,	Showalter,
Baker,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Gans,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Geary,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Glass,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, A. D.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, Allen,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Black,	Haight,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Brady,	Hess,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Murdoch,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Musser,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hollern,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horne,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Perry,	Taylor,
Conner,	Hough,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Malie,	Ross,	Woodward,
Drake,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Eby,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Erdman,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 243, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, my colleague from Philadelphia, Mr. Brady, has asked the courtesy of having some of his constituents heard on this measure, both this bill and the next bill, No. 244, and I therefore move you Sir that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Constitutional Reform in order to allow the gentleman to avail himself of that privilege.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 244, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Constitutional Reform for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

RESOLUTION.

GRANTING USE OF HALL OF HOUSE TO THE JUDICIARY GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. BEYER asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

Resolved, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Judiciary General Committee on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 20th, beginning at two o'clock, for the purpose of a public hearing on the bills proposing the abolition of capital punishment.

Mr. BALDWIN in the Chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three," as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill havnig been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution ,the yeas and nays were taken.

Mr. CHESTNUT. Mr. Speaker, I call for a verification of this roll.

Mr. CANON. Mr. Speaker, I second the call.

The SPEAKER. This roll will be verified.

Whereupon, the roll was verified as follows:

YEAS—116.

Albee,	Fackler,	McArdle,	Ruddy,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aston,	Flynn,	McCullough,	Scott,
Baker,	Fowler,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Barner,	Gans,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Golder,	Mehring,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Michel,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, A. D.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Miller, C. G.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Stoffiet,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hess,	Murphy,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Ulsh,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Urich,
Christman,	Hollern,	Powell,	Walker,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Walter,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	West,
Cox,	Jones,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Richards,	Wickman,
Curry,	Leary,	Ringler,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Ross,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,			

NAYS—30.

Benchoff,	Eby,	Mitchell,	Showalter,
Bidelspacher,	Erdman,	Musser,	Smith, F. I.,
Black,	Horne,	Phillips,	Spelcher,
Canon,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Jennings,	Rudisill,	Taylor,
Cook,	Lanius,	Sampsel,	Wallace,
Corbin,	Malie,	Sarig,	
Drake,	Milliron,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered,, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 374, File Folio 265, on page 7 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 374, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 249, as follows

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the parties may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions" approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding all bakig ad trust compaies from the beefit and operation of said act' approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commowealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as ameded by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by each partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions' approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine" by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act" approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where two or more persons may desire to associate themselves in partnership for the purpose of conducting any kind or kinds of business trade or occupation except the construction and operation of electric light and power companies banking or trust companies artificial or natural gas companies water companies railroad street passenger railway or traction companies within this State or any portion of the United States or elsewhere whose principal office or place of business shall be specified in the way and manner hereinafter set forth as being intended to be established and maintained within this State and may desire to limit the liability or one or more or all of the partners for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively it shall and may be lawful to do so in the manner following to wit Said partners so desiring to associate themselves shall subscribe to articles of partnership wherein shall be stated the name and style of the partnership its purposes and duration the county wherein its principal office or place of business is to be located the names of the several partners and the amount of the capital subscribed by each partner and when and how the same is to be paid and the names of the partners one or more or all whose liability is to be limited to the amount subscribed by each to the capital Such articles of partnership shall be acknowledged before some officer competent to take the acknowledgment of deeds and shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which is located the place designated as the principal office or place of business Amendments of said articles of partnership shall be made in like manner and shall be effective only when recorded in the office of the said recorder of deeds A copy of said articles of partnership and of all amendments thereto duly certified by the recorder of deeds shall also be filed within thirty days after the recording of said articles or amendments in said recorders office in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth The business of the partnership may be commenced after the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where two or more persons may desire to associate themselves in partnership for the purpose of conducting any kind or kinds of business trade or occupation except the construction and operation of electric light and power companies banking or trust companies artificial or natural gas companies water companies railroad street' passenger railway or traction companies

within this State or any portion of the United States or elsewhere whose principal office or place of business shall be specified in the way and manner hereinafter set forth as being intended to be established and maintained within this State and may desire to limit the liability of all the pareners for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partners respectively it shall and may be lawful to do so in the manner following to wit Said partners so desiring to associate themselves shall subscribe to articles of partnership wherein shall be stated the name and style of the partnership its purposes and duration the county wherein its principal office or place of business is to be located the names of the several partners and the amount of the capital subscribed by each partner and when and how the same is to be paid Such articles of partnership shall be acknowledged before some officer competent to take the acknowledgement of deeds and shall be recordd in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which the place designated as the principal office or place of business Amendments of said articles of partnership shall be made in like manner and shall be effective only when recorded in the office of the said recorder of deeds A copy of said articles of partnership and of all amendments thereto duly certified by the recorder of deeds shall also be filed within thirty days after the recording of said articles or amendments in said recorder's office in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth The business of the partnership may be commenced after the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds

Section 2 Section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 Notice of the formation of the partnership shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein is located the place designated as the principal office or place of business This notice shall be published once a week for three weeks The first publication shall appear not later than the day following the filing of the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds this notice shall state the name style and general purpose of the partnership the names of the partners the amount of capital subscribed by each partner and when and how the amount of such subscription is to be paid It shall also state the fact that the liability of one or more or all of the partners is limited in accordance with this statute and that the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds If a time be fixed in the articles of partnership for its duration such time shall also be stated in the said notice No name or style of partnership shall be adopted which will include the name of any partner whose liability is intended to be limited unless there shall be added the word "Registered" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 Notice of the formation of the partnership shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein is located the place designated as the principal office or place of business This notice shall be published once a week for three weeks The first publication shall appear not later than the day following the filing of the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds this notice shall state the name style and general purpose of the partnership the names of the partners the amount of capital subscribed for by each partner and when and how the amount of such subscription is to be paid It shall also state the fact that the liability of all the partners is limited in accordance with this statute and that the articles of partnership have been left for record in the office of the recorder of deeds If a time be fixed in the articles of partnership for its duration such time shall also be stated in the said notice To the name of the partnership shall be added the word "Registered"

Section 3 Section three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 No member of any such partnership thus formed recorded and published whose liability is stated as intended to be limited in the manner hereinbefore set forth shall be liable for its debts under any circumstances saving to the extent of the amount of his or her subscription with interest on unpaid subscriptions from the date or dates at which the same became actually due and payable Payment of the amount of the subscription of such member of the partnership with interest as aforesaid shall exonerate such partner from all further liability A partner or partners whose liability is thus limited shall not be precluded from transacting business with or for the partnership" be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows

Section 3 No member of any such partnership thus formed recorded and published shall be liable for its debts under any circumstances saving to the extent of the amount of his or her subscriptions with interest on unpaid subscriptions from the date or dates at which the same became actually due and payable Payment of the amount of the subscription with interest as aforesaid shall exonerate such partner from all further liability A partner or partners shall not be precluded from transacting business with or for the partnership

Section 4 Section five of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 It shall be the duty of said partnership to keep posted in the place designated as its principal office or place of business in some place therein accessible to the public during business hours a plainly written or printed list of the partners with the amount of capital subscribed by each the amount paid in by each partner and in the case of any partner whose liability is limited the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to his name where it appears in such list This notice shall also state the volume and page of the record the the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds If on the signs used by the partnership or if on any bill-heads letter-heads or other publications of the partnership the names of the several partners should be stated the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to the name of each partner whose liability is limited in the way herein provided A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor Each member of the partnership who shall participate in such violation shall be liable to prosecution for such misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars for each violation of the provisions of said section" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 It shall be the duty of said partnership to keep posted in the place designated as its principal office or place of business in some place therein accessible to the public during business hours a plainly written or printed list of the partners with the amount of capital subscribed by each the amount paid in by each partner and the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to the name of each partner This notice shall also state the volume and page of the record of the articles of partnership in the office of the recorder of deeds If on the signs used by the partnership or if on any bill-heads letter-heads or other publications of the partnership the names of the several partners should be stated the words "Limited Liability" shall be added to the name of the partner A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor Each member of the partnership who shall participate in such violation shall be liable to prosecution for such misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars for each violation of the provisions of said section

Section 5 Section six of said act which reads as follows

"Section 6 If any partner whose liability is limited in the manner herein provided shall obtain credit money goods or other valuable thing by a false statement to the effect that he is a general partner he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars" be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows

Section 6 If any partner shall obtain credit money goods or other valuable thing by a false statement to the effect that he is a general partner he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than five hundred dollars

Section 7 Any partnership formed under the provisions of the act to which this act is an amendment prior to the adoption of this act wherein the liability of one or more but not all the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partner or partners respectively shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such act as if this amendment had not been adopted except that such partnership shall not be renewed unless so provided in the original agreement or if the partners so desire such partnership may become a limited partnership under the Uniform Limited Partnership Act by complying with the provisions of sections two and thirty of said act

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171.

Albee,	Flynn,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Fowler,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Baldi,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Gans,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Barner,	Glass,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Graham,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Miller, Allan,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Black,	Haldeman,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Hess,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Murphy,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Neary,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horton,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cook,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cox,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Dale,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.

Donneley,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Conustitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 250, as follows

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(Limited Partnership Defined)

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a limited partnership is a partnership formed by two or more persons under the provisions of section two having as members one or more general partners and one or more limited partners The limited partners as such shall not be bound by the obligations of the partnership

Section 2 (Formation) (1) Two or more persons desiring to form a limited partnership shall

(a) Sign and swear to a certificate which shall state

I The name of the partnership

II The character of the business

III The location of the principal place of business

IV The name and place of residence of each member general and limited partners being respectively designated

V The term for which the partnership is to exist

VI The amount of cash and a description of and the agreed value of the other property contributed by each limited partner

VII The additional contributions if any agreed to be made by each limited partner and the times at which or events on the happening of which they shall be made

VIII The time if agreed upon when the contribution of each limited partner is to be returned

IX The share of the profits or the other compensation by way of income which each limited partner shall receive by reason of his contribution

X The right if given of a limited partner to substitute an assignee as contributor in his place and the terms and conditions of the substitution

XI The right if given of the partners to admit additional limited partners

XII The right if given of one or more of the limited partners to priority over other limited partners as to contributions or as to compensation by way of income and the nature of such priority

XIII The right if given of the remaining general partner or partners to continue the business on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner and

XIV The right if given of a limited partner to demand and receive property other than cash in return for his contribution

(b) File for record the certificate in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which the principal place of business of the limited partnership shall be located

(2) A limited partnership is formed if there has been substantial compliance in good faith with the requirements of paragraph (1)

(3) The recorder of deeds shall record the certificate and the acknowledgment thereto at large in a book to be kept for that purpose open to public inspection

Section 3 (Business which may be carried on) A limited partnership may carry on any business which a partnership without limited partners may carry on

Section 4 (Character of limited partner's contributions) The contributions of a limited partner may be cash or other property but not services

Section 5 (A name not to contain surname of limited partner exceptions) (1) The surname of a limited partner shall not appear in the partnership name unless

(a) It is also the surname of a general partner or

(b) Prior to the time when the limited partner became such the business had been carried on under a name in which his surname appeared

(2) A limited partner whose name appears in a partnership name contrary to the provisions of paragraph (1) is liable as a general partner to partnership creditors who extend credit to the partnership without actual knowledge that he is not a general partner

Section 6 (Liability for False Statements in Certificates) If the certificate contains a false statement one who suffers loss by reliance on such statement may hold liable any party to the certificate who knew the statement to be false

(a) at the time he signed the certificate or

(b) Subsequently but within a sufficient time before the statement was relied upon to enable him to cancel or amend the certificate or to file a petition for its cancellation or amendment as provided in section twenty-five (3)

Section 7 (Limited Partner Not Liable to Creditors) A limited partner shall not become liable as a general partner unless in addition to the exercise of his rights and powers as a limited partner he takes part in the control of the business

Section 8 (Admission of Additional Limited Partners) After the formation of a limited partnership additional limited partners may be admitted upon filing an amendment to the original certificate in accordance with the requirements of section twenty-five

Section 9 (Rights Powers and Liabilities of a General Partner) (1) A general partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of a partner in a partnership without limited partners except that without the written consent or ratification of the specific act by all the limited partners a general partner or all of the general partners have no authority to

(a) Do any act in contravention of the certificate

(b) Do any act which would make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the partnership

(c) Confess a judgment against the partnership

(d) Possess partnership property or assign their rights in specific partnership property for other than a partnership purpose

(e) Admit a person as a general partner

(f) Admit a person as a limited partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

(g) Continue the business with partnership property on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

Section 10 (Rights of a Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner shall have the same rights as a general partner to

(a) Have the partnership books kept at the principal place of business of the partnership and at all times to inspect and copy any of them

(b) Have on demand true and full information of all things affecting the partnership and a formal account of partnership affairs whenever circumstances render it just and reasonable and

(c) Have dissolution and winding up by decree of court

(2) A limited partner shall have the right to receive a share of the profits or other compensation by way of income and to the return of his contribution as provided in sections fifteen and sixteen

Section 11 (Status of Persons Erroneously Believing Himself a Limited Partner) A person who has contributed to the capital of a business conducted by a person or partnership erroneously believing that he has become a limited partner in a limited partnership is not by reason of his exercise of the rights of a limited partner a general partner with the person or in the partnership carrying on the business or bound by the obligations of such person or partnership provided that on ascertaining the mistake he promptly renounces his interest in the profits of the business or other compensation by way of income

Section 12 (One Person both General and Limited Partner) (1) A person may be a general partner and a limited partner in the same partnership at the same time

(2) A person who is a general and also at the same time a limited partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions of a general partner except that in respect to his contribution he shall have the rights against the other members which he would have had if he were not also a general partner

Section 13 (Loans and Other Business Transactions with Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner also may loan money to and transact other business with the partnership and unless he is also a general partner receive on account

of resulting claims against the partnership with general creditors a pro rata share of the assets No limited partner shall in respect to any such claim

(a) Receive or hold as collateral security any partnership property or

(b) Receive from a general partner or the partnership any payment conveyance or release from liability if at the time the assets of the partnership are not sufficient to discharge partnership liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners

(2) The receiving of collateral security or a payment conveyance or release in violation of the provisions of paragraph (1) is a fraud on the creditors of the partnership

Section 14 (Relation of Limited Partners Inter Se) Where there are several limited partners the members may agree that one or more of the limited partners shall have priority over other limited partners as to the return of their contributions as to their compensation by way of income or as to any other matter If such an agreement is made it shall be stated in the certificate and in the absence of such a statement all the limited partners shall stand upon equal footing

Section 15 (Compensation of limited partner) A limited partner may receive from the partnership the share of the profits or the compensation by way of income stipulated for in the certificate provided that after such payment is made whether from the property of the partnership or that of a general partner the partnership assets are in excess of all liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

Section 16 (Withdrawal or reduction of limited partner's contribution) (1) A limited partner shall not receive from a general partner or out of partnership property any part of his contribution until

(a) All liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to general partners and to limited partners on account of their contributions have been paid or there remains property of the partnership sufficient to pay them

(b) The consent of all members is had unless the return of the contribution may be rightfully demanded under the provisions of paragraph (2) and

(c) The certificate is cancelled or so amended as to set forth the withdrawal or reduction

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) a limited partner may rightfully demand the return of his contribution

(a) On the dissolution of a partnership or

(b) When the date specified in the certificate for its return has arrived or

(c) After he has given six mouths' notice in writing to all other members if no time is specified in the certificate either for the return of the contribution or for the dissolution of the partnership

(3) In the absence of any statement in the certificate to the contrary or the consent of all members a limited partner irrespective of the nature of his contributions has only the right to demand and receive cash in return for his contribution

(4) A limited partnership may have the partnership dissolved and its affairs wound up when

(a) He rightfully but unsuccessfully demands the return of his contribution or

(b) The other liabilities of the partnership have not been paid or the partnership property is insufficient for their payment as required by paragraph (1a) and the limited partner would otherwise be entitled to the return of his contribution

Section 17 (Liabililty of limited partner to partnership) (1) A limited partner is liable to the partnership

(a) For the difference between his contributions as actually made and that stated in the certificate as having been made and

(b) For any unpaid contribution which he agreed in the certificate to make in the future at the time and on the conditions stated in the certificate

(2) A limited partner holds as trustee for the partnership

(a) Specific property stated in the certificate as contributed by him but which was not contributed or which has been wrongfully returned and

(b) Money or other property wrongfully paid or conveyed to him on account of his contribution

(3) The liabilities of a limited partner as set forth in this section can be waived or compromised only by the consent of all members but a waiver or compromise shall not affect the right of a creditor of a partnership who extended credit or whose claim arose after the filing and before a cancellation or amendment of the certificate to enforce such liabilities

(4) When a limited partner has rightfully received the return in whole or in part of the capital of his contribution he is nevertheless liable to the partnership for any sum not in excess of such return with interest necessary to discharge its liabilities to all creditors who extend credit or whose claims arose before such return

Section 18 (Nature of limited partner's interest in partnership) A limited partner's interest in the partnership is personal property

Section 19 (Assignment of limited partner's interest) (1) A limited partner's interest is assignable

(2) A substituted limited partner is a person admitted to all the rights of a limited partner who has died or has assigned his interest in a partnership.

(3) An assignee who does not become a substituted limited partner has no right to require any information or account of the partnership transactions or to inspect the partnership books he is only entitled to receive the share of the profits or other compensation by way of income or the return of his contribution to which his assignor would otherwise be entitled

(4) An assignee shall have the right to become a substituted limited partner if all the members (except the assignor) consent thereto or if the assignor being thereunto empowered by the certificate gives the assignee that right

(5) An assignee becomes a substituted limited partner when the certificate is approximately amended in accordance with section twenty-five

(6) The substituted limited partner has all the rights and powers and is subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of his assignor except those liabilities of which he was ignorant at the time he became a limited partner and which could not be ascertained from the certificate

(7) The substitution of the assignee as a limited partner does not release the assignor from liability to the partnership under sections six and seventeen

Section 20 (Effect of retirement death or insanity of a general partner) (The retirement death or insanity of a general partner dissolves the partnership unless the business is continued by the remaining general partners

(a) Under a right so to do stated in the certificate or

(b) With the consent of all members.

Section 21 (Death of limited Partner) (1) On the death of a limited partner his executor or administrator shall have all the rights of a limited partner for the purpose of settling his estate and such power as the deceased had to constitute his assignee a substituted limited partner

(2) The estate of a deceased limited partner shall be liable for all his liabilities as a limited partner

Section 22 (Rights of creditors of limited partner) (1) On due application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any judgment creditor of a limited partner the court may charge the interest of the indebted limited partner with payment of the unsatisfied amount of the judgment debt and may appoint a receiver and make all other orders directions and inquiries which the circumstances of the case may require

(2) The interest may be redeemed with the separate property of any general partner but may not be redeemed with partnership property

(3) The remedies conferred by paragraph (1) shall not be deemed exclusive of others which may exist

(4) Nothing in this act shall be held to deprive a limited partner of his statutory exemption

Section 23 (Distribution of Assets) (1) In settling accounts after dissolution the liabilities of the partnership shall be entitled to payment in the following order

(a) Those to creditors in the order of priority as provided by law except those to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

(b) Those to limited partners in respect to their share of the profits and other compensation by way of income on their contributions

(c) Those to limited partners in respect to the capital of their contributions

(d) Those to general partners other than for capital and profits

(e) Those to general partners in respect to profits

(f) Those to general partners in respect to capital

(2) Subject to any statement in the certificate or to subsequent agreement limited partners share in the partnership assets in respect to their claims for capital and in respect to their claims for profits or for compensation by way of income on their contributions respectively in proportion to the respective amounts of such claims

Section 24 (When Certificate Shall be Cancelled or Amended) (1) The certificate shall be cancelled when the partnership is dissolved or all limited partners cease to be such

(2) A certificate shall be amended when

(a) There is a change in the name of the partnership or in the amount or character of the contribution of any limited partner

(b) A person is substituted as a limited partner

(c) An additional limited partner is admitted

(d) A person is admitted as a general partner

(e) A general partner retires dies or becomes insane and the business is continued under section twenty

(f) There is a change in the character of the business of the partnership

(g) There is a false or erroneous statement in the certificate

(h) There is a change in the time as stated in the certificate for the dissolution of the partnership or for the return of a contribution

(i) A time is fixed for the dissolution of the partnership or the return of a contribution no time having been specified in the certificate or

(j) The members desire to make a change in any other statement in the certificate in order that it shall accurately represent the agreement between them

Section 25 (Requirements for Amendment and for Cancellation of Certificate) (1) The writing to amend a certificate shall

(a) Conform to the requirements of section two (1a) as far as necessary to set forth clearly the change in the certificate which it is desired to make and

(b) Be signed and sworn to by all members and an amendment substituting a limited partner or adding a limited or general partner shall be signed also by the member to be substituted or added and when a limited partner is to be substituted the amendment shall also be signed by the assigning limited partner

(2) The writing to cancel a certificate shall be signed by all members

(3) A person desiring the cancellation or amendment of a certificate if any person designated in paragraphs (1) and (2) as a person who must execute the writing refuses to do so may petition the court of common pleas of the county in which the certificate is filed to direct a cancellation or amendment thereof

(4) If the court finds that the petiitoner has a right to have the writing executed by a person who refuses to do so it shall order the recorder of deeds in the office where the certificate is recorded to record the cancellation or amendment of the certificate and where the certificate is to be amended the court shall also cause to be filed for record in said office a certified copy of its decree setting forth the amendment

(5) A certificate is amended or cancelled when there is filed for record in the office of the recorder of deeds where the certificate is recorded

(a) A writing in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) or (2) or

(b) A certified copy of the order of court in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4)

(6) After the certificate is duly amended in accordance with this section the amended certificate shall thereafter be for all purposes the certificate provided for by this act

Section 26 (Parties to Actions) A contributor unless he is a general partner is not a proper party to proceedings by or against a partnership except where the object is to enforce a limited partner's right against or liability to the partnership

Section 27 (Name of Act) This act may be cited as The Uniform Limited Partnership Act

Section 28 (Rules of Construction) (1) The rule that statutes in derogation of the common law are to be strictly construed shall have no application to this act

(2) This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effect its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states which enact it

(3) This act shall not be so construed as to impair the obligations of any contract existing when the act goes into effect nor to affect any action or proceedings begun or right accrued before this act takes effect

Section 29 (Rules for Cases not Provided for in this Act) In any case not provided for in this act the rules of law and equity including the law merchant shall govern

Section 30 (Provisions for Existing Limited Partnerships formed under act of one thousand eight hundred thirty-six)

(1) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act may become a limited partnership under this act by complying with the provisions of section two provided the certificate sets forth

(a) The amount of the original contribution of each limited partner and the time when the contribution was made and

(b) That the property of the partnership exceeds the amount sufficient to discharge its liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners by an amount greater than the sum of the contributions of its limited partners

(2) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act until or unless it becomes a limited partnership under this act shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such act its amendments and supplements except that such partnership shall not be renewed unless so provided in the original agreement

Section 31 (acts repealed) Except as affecting existing limited partnerships to the extent set forth in section thirty the following acts are hereby repealed

An act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six entitled "An Act relative to limited partnerships"

So much of an act in the form of a resolution approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight entitled "Resolution relative to State Library and for other purposes" as relates to limited partnerships being the last five resolutions in said act

An act approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight entitled "A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six"

An act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "A Further Supplement to an act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted"

An act approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted approved March thirtieth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five"

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—172.

Aron,	Erdman,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aston,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Glass,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Strauss,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walter,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Richards,	Wells,
Curry,	Laucks,	Ringler,	West,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Lohr,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Conustitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 225 as follows:

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons, either in property or person, upon any property owned by said county, city, borough or township, or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township, and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act any person or persons who shall receive any injury either in person or property upon any of the property belonging to or roads streets highways under the jurisdiction of any county city borough or township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for which such county city borough or township may be or may become liable shall within sixty days from the date of such injury either in person or by some one on his her or their behalf notify in writing the hereinafter designated officer or officers of such county city borough or township setting forth the time and place of the receipt of such injury together with the nature and exact cause thereof In the event of death such notice may be given by the personal representative or by the person or persons entitled to recover therefor

Section 2 If the said injury occurs in or upon any property belonging to or road street or highway under the control or jurisdiction of any county of this Commonwealth the notice hereinbefore required shall be given either to the county commissioners or to their chief clerk if in a city either to the mayor city clerk or city solicitor if in a borough either to the burgess or to the borough clerk and if in a township either to the township commissioners supervisors or the clerk thereof

Section 3 The notice hereinbefore required shall set forth the following facts

(a) The time the injury was received

(b) The location upon the property road street or highway where the injury was received

(c) The nature of the injury received either to person or property

(d) The causes of the injury

Section 4 That in the event of the failure to give the notice setting forth the facts required by sections one and three of this act no recovery for damages of any kind or

nature whatsoever for the injuries resulting therefrom either to person or property may be had against any such county city borough or township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the sponsor of this bill, I move that the bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion,
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 295, entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (P. L. 644) entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—165.

Albee,	Franklin,	McKay,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Gans,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Geary,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Golder,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Graeff,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Benninger,	Haight,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Musser,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stites,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Horton,	Powell,	Swartz,
Christman,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Conner,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wells,
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Dawson,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
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Donneley,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Eby,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fowler,			

NAYS—6.

Chestnut,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	West,
Corbin,	McKinney,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 293, as follows:

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Whereas Through an error in printing in the Pamphlet Laws the first and second lines of section one of the act of May fourteenth one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred) entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" were made to read as follows

"That section five of an tofore the council of any incor--porate borough of this" and

Whereas It appears from the original copy of said act on file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonweadth that said first two lines should read as follows

"That whenever heretofore the council of any incorporated borough of this" therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred) as reported in the Pamphlet Laws of the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen is hereby corrected to read in conformity with the original copy on file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth that is to say

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pensylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever heretofore the council of any incorporated borough of this Commonwealth has required by ordinance and caused to be graded paved curbed or macadamized with brick stone or other suitable material or otherwise improved any public street or thoroughfare or part thereof either cartway or foot-walk or both or is now causing such grading paving curbing or macadamizing pursuant to such ordinance but owing to some defect in the petition notice or other proceeding necessary under existing law and ordinance to give jurisdiction to such council or owing to some defect in the ordinance or for any other reason the cost of such improvement or a portion thereof cannot be legally assessed upon the property bounding or abutting upon the street or part thereof improved or owing to some defect in the statement of claim filed to secure the lien for the cost of such improvement payment thereof cannot be enforced as was contemplated by the act or acts of the General Assembly under which the improvement was attempted to be made and statement of claim filed now by this act such improvements are made valid and binding and the council of such incorporated borough may cause the property bounding or abutting upon the street or part thereof upon which the improvement has been made or is now being made to be assessed in the manner now provided by law with such a portion of the cost of such improvement as is contemplated by the law under which the improvement was made or is now being made Such assessment shall be a lien upon the property assessed The lien shall date from the completion of the improvement for which the assessment is made and shall remain a lien until fully paid and satisfied Provided That a writ of scire facias is issued to revive the same during every period of five years after a lien is filed as hereinafter provided

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—176.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aron,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, Allen,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stern,
Bovee,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Boyd,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horton,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Powell,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Dale,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,

Dean,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 657, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more thar one million four hundred thousand inhabitants

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Albee,	Erdman,	McKay,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helf,	Murdoch,	Stites,
Bovee,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Perry,	Taylor,
Christman,	Horton,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walter,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Wells,
Dale,	Laucks,	Ringler,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 337 (Senate No. 34), entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, in its present form I don't think that this bill will serve the purpose intended. In order to give me a chance to confer with the sponsor of this bill with a view of having it amended, I move that it be postponed for the present.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The motion was agreed to.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. WALTER asked and received unanimous consent to call up Resolution No. 8, which was twice read as follows:

Whereas The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the Foreign Affairs of the Nation by the unpatriotic acts of certain Senators of the United States in refusing authority to the President to protect the lives and property of American citizens on high seas

Therefore Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men women and children and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States working and traveling upon the high seas may be preserved and the dignity and honor of the United States maintained

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. MAURER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I feel that it would be a mistake to pass that resolution at this time for the simple reason that it casts considerable reflection upon twelve senators. Now I have read the Congressional Record of the particular period when these men were charged with filibustering and I feel after reading that Record that we owe those people at least a fair hearing. I would not like to go on record as condemning a public official until I have heard at least his side of it. This resolution, if it passes, will be a scathing indictment against these men. I do not believe that any of us here would care to do that no matter what our feelings might be on the subject.

As to the latter part of the resolution, that is another question; but the forepart brands them as being unpatriotic. Now I believe all of us are patriotic. What some of us think is patriotism, some do not think so. What some people do under the name of patriotism we do not brand as patriotism. That is a matter of opinion; and if, gentlemen, we, up here in Pennsylvania, at this crtitcal moment, if we go on record by passing that resolution I feel indeed it would be a mistake. It practically declares for war. Now, I do not believe that any one member of this House wants war; I do not believe it; and I know from my experience with the people that the great overwhelming majority of our citizens are also opposed to war. Now, I believe that we as an assembly should instruct our congressmen truthfully and give them the exact sentiment.

Is this resolution going to give that sentiment? Personally, gentlemen, I don't think it will. I know it may sound popular to go along with any movement that seems to prevail, but I believe every one of you will agree with me that the sentiment in favor of war at this time is created by certain great newspapers in the country. When I speak to people the psychology is different and let us at least be truthful to our positions and not take that which is printed in the daily papers as our evidence to condemn twelve senators by. I do not believe that we would like to be treated so and I would not like to treat any one else different from what I would like to be treated myself. Let us lay this resolution over; it will not spoil. We are going to adjourn to-day, and then let us get our Congressional Records and read what these men really done and if after we know what they done we feel the resolution should be passed we can do so, but not now. Let us not help to stampede Congress in the heighth of excitement to-day

because we that may aid the stampede may be sorry for it. We see the awful condition of affairs in Europe and what a sad condition exists there. I heard men say a million of us should be in the trenches over in Europe. I don't want a man in the trenches, but I say this, I am an American first, last and all the time and I want to protect the American interests first. I do not want to see a single life lost if we can prevent it. To me, life is too dear. I do not want to see any injustice done to our people in this country through a spasmodic-like stampede in a certain direction, and it seems to me the way things are going the last couple of weeks we are going along blindly and not reasoning all the way.

I am sorry the gentleman brought up his resolution. I asked him this morning not to. I believe we can well afford to lay it over until we have time to consider. That is our first duty, gentlemen, to our constituents. If you pass it you will find that the jingo press that is for war will say that Pennsylvania is unanimously in favor of war. I make the prediction and you will find that is what they will do. You know that is not true, of course not; we know that; while we may be willing to fight, and I come from an old family of fighters—my grandfather was in the revolutionary war and my ancestry fought in every war in this country; I trace my ancestry in Pennsylvania back for two hundred years; I am an old Pennsylvanian and I therefore hold this State and Union dear to my heart and I plead with you with all the power within me, please do not pass this resolution; do not do it; if you do, I am sorry and I feel that you will all regret it in a way. Down in the bottom of my heart I believe that you all agree with me, I really do, but the trouble is that many of us feel that if we do not go along we will not be considered patriotic. The man that can face a rabble when he feels it is wrong and fight it is a true patriot and I call the people who are trying to run us into this ungodly war an ungodly rabble. We must use our heads and reason out for ourselves and not as a subsidized press would reason it out for us. I therefore hope gentlemen and I ask you with all sincerity that you don't pass this resolution.

If a motion is in order to postpone action at this time I should make such a motion. Mr. Speaker, would such a motion be in order?

The SPEAKER. Yes, but the gentleman's motion don't seem to be seconded.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Walter and Mr. Sarig, and were as follows

YEAS—59

Beyer,	Hollingsworth,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Horne,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Howarth,	Perry,	Stern,
Brady,	Jones,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Coldsmith,	Lauler,	Reitzel,	Strauss,
Crosby,	Lewis,	Rich,	Sullivan,
Davis, W.,	Marvin,	Richards,	Taylor,
Dean,	Maurer,	Rogers,	Thomas,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Rothenberger,	Ulsh,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sampsel,	Wickman,
Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Shattuck,	Williams, J. P.,
Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,	Woodward,
Haldeman,	Milliron,	Somerman,	Wylie,
Hess,	Mitchell,	Sones,	

NAYS—85.

Albee,	Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Shunk,
Aron,	Eby,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aston,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Franklin,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Glass,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Black,	Goodnough,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, J. O.,	Goodwin,	Ogden,	Urich,
Canon,	Helt,	Powell,	Vickerman,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Ramsey,	Walker,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Ringler,	Walter,
Cook,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wells,
Corbin,	Lanius,	Rinn,	West,
Cox,	Laucks,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Dell,	Luppert,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Dewey,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Drake,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	

So the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, if this resolution meant anything, I believe every son of us would be willing to go along with it and vote for its support, and for its passage. It has no reference to the twelve men who filibustered in the United States Senate, it only applied to the Congressmen and the Senators from this State, and if you look up any record you will find that every one of the Senators and everyone of the Congressmen representing this State stood by the President. If we pass the resolution now asking them to do something that they have already done, it seems to me it would be a slur on ourselves, leaving the impression that we do not know how our Congressmen and how our United States Senators stood in regard to the question before the Senate a week or two ago. It is an atack upon the integrity of the men themselves when they have done right, to come here with a resolution afterwards and ask them to do right. This resolution does not mean anything. It is brought on here for no other purpose than the purpose of giving some notoriety to some one that will make the blood that runs through his veins appear a little more patriotic to his constituents at home, and for that reason I am going to vote against the resolution.

Mr. WALTERS. Mr. Speaker, this resolution, I trust, expresses the sentiment of the members of the Legislature of Pennsylvania at this time. If it does not so express their sentiment, I should greatly regret it, and I think it would have an unfortunate effect upon the patriotic people of this country. Now, this resolution mentions certain unpatriotic sentiments as I understand it when I drafted it, that referred to these Senators who by an active filibuster prevented the passage of the Armed Ship Bill, which action was applauded in Berlin and loudly applauded by those citizens of the United States who are against war at any time or all the time. Now the resolution binds nobody. Perhaps, it were better if a resolution of this sort were never brought into this House, but it has been the custom of the House to entertain such things. No longer than a few weeks ago a resolution was passed with respect to certain actions in Congress wtih respect to the tariff was passed, as I recollect it, largely by a party vote. We have had this thing of Legislatures, all the Legislatures of the several States that were in session, pass resolutions similar in character to this, saying that their respective States were behind the President in his efforts to prevent warfare of the sort that is being carried on, resulting in the death of American citizens who are non-combatants, and who, when they are attacked by submarines had no more chance for their lives than a rat in the hole.

We have just learned by a dispatch that the American ship, Algonquin, carrying the American flag, and an American crew, was torpedoed without warning last night or yesterday. Under the circumstances if we want to give aid and comfort to the people in this country who do not stand with the President in his desire to arm American ships, in order to protect them from the aggressions of the submarine, and if we want to be applauded in Berlin, why then vote down this resolution. I do not think it is impudent for us to express our opinion as to what we think our Congressmen ought to do and the phraseology of this resolution is simply to the effect that it is the sense of this body that they should stand by the President. When they do so we approve, and we express the opinion that they should do so. It is meant as no reflection upon anyone except those persons who will not stand up for the flag when the Congress of the United States by an enormous majority, with popular approval, which I do not believe for one moment resulted from the articles in the press, have said that they would stand behind the President, and I think Pennsylvania should stand up in that way. I trust that the House will adopt this resolution.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I almost hesitate to enter this discussion, because I know what it means. I do so because I recognize the intolerant spirit which pervades the press of the day and the jingoism of the land. I am in sympathy with all else in this resolution excepting the first part of it. I do not believe there is a man in this chamber that does not feel when the dignity and honor

of his native land is being called into question, that he should stand up like a man in defense of the honor of his country. But when men are challenged in their manhood, when men are denied the right in a legislative assembly such as the great Congress of the United States to stand up and honestly speak what they believe to be right without being called cowards and traitors to the flag that they hold as sacred and as dear as you and I, then I say the time for representative government is gone away and the age of tyranny is at hand. Do you know what this means? It means that men born and raised in this land of the free, this home of liberty, this land of justice, who in the fulfilment of their honest convictions rose in the national assembly of your nation to keep this country out of war, are to be branded as traitors to their country. Men have a right to differ. You men come here and differ with me, and I with you, but I never call into question your sincerity of purpose, and I do not go home to my constituents and brand you as cowards and traitors, nor I do not endorse any unjust criticism that may be made of you even in the daily press. I believe that the President of the United States has on hand at this time a greater task than any man who ever sat in the chair. I believe that in this great world conflict raging around us and endeavoring to involve us and spill good American blood in a foreign complication, that the President of the United States has done thus far all that could be expected, and maybe a little more, in the midst of this trying condition; and I am for standing at all times with the President, be he right or wrong, when the honor of my country is at question; but I ask you in all fairness to see to it that this resolution be amended by striking out the unjust criticism made by men simply because they stood in the Senate Chamber of the United States, honestly voicing their sentiments on the bill pending. As I understand it, gentlemen, within twenty-four hours before the United States Congress was to expire by limitation, the President of the United States sent into that body a big mass of bills covering appropriations and deficiencies in the national government, which required the serious consideration of the Senate at that time. If these bills had been read word for word and line for line at that time, they would be reading those bills even down to the present. So at no time was there an occasion for a filibuster. They could have called for the reading of those bills, and could have blocked anything there. Those men rose because they differed in their opinions of the situation from that which other men entertained, and surely we must give to each other as American citizens that equal justice, that equal confidence which we ask for ourselves. When war comes, and the dignity of our nation is challenged and the sword must be drawn and powder fired, you will find the men you are now condemning among the first to rise in the ranks to the support of Old Glory and in the upholding of the honor and dignity of the people. I am against this resolution, and I say so regretfully, because there are reflections in it against men who differed in their opinions and who voted against certain propositions in Congress. It isn't fair to us; it isn't fair to the man who differed from the President of the United States to call him a coward or a traitor. Do you know that before independence was ever declared for the thirteen original states, men like Washington and Franklin differed, and were the last to come across the line, when other people were shouting for independence; but when war came they threw aside their allegiance to their home country. adopted the spirit of independence, and gave us what we have to-day? Not that I am against the resolution in its spirit—I want to uphold the President of the United States, and I glory in the record of our representatives in Congress, be they Democrats or be they Republicans, for standing by him, but I do not believe in branding any man as a coward, a fool, or guilty of treason simply because he has the manhood and courage to do what he believes to be right.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I hope the House will pass this resolution. I believe we are endeavoring to inject something into this resolution that should not be and is not in it. We are not condemning any man in Congress or elsewhere for the ideas that he may have or may express. But this is a government essentially by majority, and we would not tolerate the obstruction in this House of business of the majority by a few men. These men are not entitled to condemnation for their beliefs or what they express, but, gentlemen, they are entitled to condemnation for obstructing the overwhelming will of the majority in Congress. This resolution only condemns them for the obstruction which they are responsible for and must assume before the people of this land. The President of the United States is our President, and the great State of Pennsylvania has never failed to stand behind the President and the government in such critical times as these. I believe it is eminently proper that we approve by this resolution the attitude of the present administration at this time, in order that the world may know that the people are back of the President and will stand by him, no matter what may come to face this great country. It is true that our representatives in Congress have stood with the government. Is it not then eminently proper and fitting that we approve of their course and the stand of the President? He is our President, no matter with what political party we are affiliated, and he is entitled to our support. There is nothing in this resolution, Mr. Speaker, that condemns any man unjustly, but it does condemn any man or set of men that undertakes to obstruct the will of the majority, and the will of the majority by our laws and institutions is entitled to control and should control; and the very spirit of Americanism condemns any man or set of men that undertakes to thwart the will of the majority. That is why I am for this resolution, and I believe that it should pass.

Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this resolution be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, my point of order is that the motion of the gentleman from Allegheny has already been before the House.

The SPEAKER. The former motion was to postpone for the present. This motion is to postpone consideration indefinitely, therefore the point of order is not well taken.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Walter and Mr. Sarig and were as follows:

YEAS—66.

Baker,	Hollingsworth,	Milliron,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Horne,	Mitchell,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Howarth,	Murdoch,	Sones,
Beyer,	Lauler,	Neary,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Lewis,	Perry,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Mangan,	Phillips,	Stern,
Cook,	Marvin,	Ramsey,	Stoffiet,
Crosby,	Maurer,	Reichenbacker,	Strauss,
Davis, W.,	McArdle,	Reitzel,	Sullivan,
Dean,	McCaig,	Rich,	Swartz,
Donneley,	McPeake,	Richards,	Thomas,
Ehrhardt,	McVicar,	Rininger,	Ulsh,
Gans,	Mearkle,	Rogers,	Urich,
Golder,	Michel,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Haldeman,	Miller, A. D.,	Rudisill,	Wickman,
Hess,	Miller, C. G.,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Heyburn,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—83.

Albee,	Dell,	Luppert,	Siggins,
Aron,	Dewey,	McCullough,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Drake,	McCurdy,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Drinkhouse,	McKay,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Eby,	McKinney,	Spangler,
Bell,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Speicher,
Bennett,	Fitzgibbon,	Milner,	Sterling,
Benninger,	Flynn,	Morgan, T.,	Sweitzer,
Black,	Franklin,	Murphy,	Vickerman,
Bouton, V. B.,	Glass,	Musser,	Walker,
Bovee,	Goodnough,	Ogden,	Wallace,
Campbell, J. O.,	Goodwin,	Powell,	Walter,
Canon,	Helt,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wells,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Ringler,	West,
Christman,	Isherwood,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Conner,	Kennedy,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Corbin,	Lanius,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Cox,	Laucks,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Shunk,	Speaker.
Dawson,	Lohr,		

So the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I think we may readily come to a satisfactory conclusion here. I have just had a talk with Mr. Walter and he is satisfied to cut out the word "unpatriotic."

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the word "unpatriotic" in line 3 be stricken out.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
The amendment was agreed to.
On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the resolution as amended?
It was agreed to.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE HENRY HOUCK.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will at this time announce the following committee to attend the funeral of the late Henry Houck, Secretary of Internal Affairs: In selecting this committee the Chair has been guided by the geographical location of the members and those whom the Chair understands are likely to stay over in Harrisburg during this week:

Mr. Milliron, Sinclair, Rich, McKay, Goodwin, C. A. Schaffer, Drake, Shattuck, Phillips, Baker, Marvin, Howarth, Sweitzer, Coldsmith, Edgar R. Smith, Benschoff, and all of the members of the counties of Lebanon, Lancaster, Dauphin, Schuylkill, Cumberland, York and Perry.

I will say to the members that if they will get in touch with the Resident Clerk of the House they can make their arrangements for attending the funeral.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER.

The Chair desires at this time to say that henceforth he shall enforce Rule 39. This rule is to be found on page 1057 of Smull's Handbook.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 2:40 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday evening, March 19th, at 9:00 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY EVENING, March 13, 1917.

MEMORIAL SERVICES ON DEATH OF CHARLES J. RONEY, LATE REPRESENTATIVE FROM PHILADELPHIA.

HONORABLE JOHN M. FLYNN presiding.

CHAIRMAN FLYNN. This session of the House is called for the purpose of doing honor to our late member from the third district of Philadelphia, the Honorable Charles J. Roney, and the Chairman would ask the Chaplain to open the session with prayer.

PRAYER.

The Rev. S. G. Zerfass offered the following prayer.

God of comfort and consolation, we turn from our daily duties and come to Thy feet in our sorrow on this memorial occasion to pay tribute to one who was a member of the House of Representatives, and has passed from us.

To whom can we come but to Thee? Our hearts are broken, but in our grief, we will trust in Thee.

We thank Thee for words of comfort, for the divine promises, for the assurances of sympathy, and for the blessed hope of resurrection and immortality found in Holy Writ.

Surely we can come to Thee trusting in that larger hope.

We pray that blessing may rest upon the associates of the departed, so that we cherish his memory, bury all imperfections and extol his virtues. Be with the family with consolation and comfort. Surely Thou are their refuge and wilt give us all Thy peace. He truly lived to be missed, not only to be good, but to be good for service to his people.

May the memories of the vanished life stay in our hearts as holy benedictions. May our lives be all the sweeter for the grief that has touched them. Dear Lord, we would get very near unto Thee and find shelter underneath Thy everlasting arms.

Bless all with Thy tenderest bessings of Thy great love. We ask all these favors in the name of Christ the Savior, and beseech Thee that our prayers may be answered. Amen.

Mr. COX. Mr. Chairman, I desire to offer the following resolution.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, Since the last session of the Legislature, through the divine will of the Creator of all things, Honorable Charles J. Roney, Jr., a member of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania from the Third Philadelphia District, was called from his life work to rest; and

Whereas, Representative Roney was known as an active member of the House, a patriotic citizen, a loving husband and indulgent and affectionate father; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House profoundly regrets the death of Honorable Charles J. Roney, Jr., late a member of this body, and extends to the family of the deceased member sincere condolence in their bereavement.

Resolved, That we are deeply conscious of the loss sustained by his death, and desire to bear witness to his sterling worth as a man, his integrity and ability as a legislator, and his courtesy and fidelity towards those with whom he was associated.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, with the action of the House thereon, be forwarded to the family of the deceased by the Clerk of the House.

JOHN M. FLYNN,
ISADORE STERN,
EDWIN R. COX.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Chairman and fellow members, we are assembled here to-night to pay a last tribute to our departed colleague, Charley J. Roney, who was a man of peculiar attainments. Although many years difference existed in the ages of him and me, we both started life together in a public sense. It was my pleasure to be elected to the session of 1911, the first time that he too was called to serve his constituents, and the older members of this body remember well how this chamber rang with his eloquence, and how this body was swayed with his persuasiveness and logic; but with all the varied attainments that he possessed he still was a modest man. I knew him too as a fellow-practitioner at the Philadelphia bar, and no more able advocate did the bar possess than he. Although a boy in years, he was recognized and looked upon as the leader of the junior bar. Charley J. Roney was not actuated in the discharge of his duties with a prospect of reward in sight, because he was just as earnest in the advocacy of a client's cause whom he served without pay as he was for those who paid him. Charley J. Roney's pay often came when he reunited a family, when he gave the errant boy back to the household, when he returned the father to the family, and looking down the corridor of the City Hall at that reunited family, he felt that he was amply repaid because he had contributed to this man or the boy, whatever the case might be, a chance to redeem himself. It is seldom that one so youthful was possessed with so strong and brilliant attainments as he. He was a strong man, although a boy in years. He was honest and he was courageous. He was respected by all who knew him, because his word was his bond. And my feeble attempt to-night, gentlemen, to pay the tribute that I feel towards him does not do justice, and you men that knew him as I did learned to love him, and in his loss we have suffered the departure of a genial companion and honest friend.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR FRANK B. McCLAIN. Mr. Chairman, they tell us that among the people of Ireland there is a venerable and beautiful custom in the observance of which the traveler or passer-by, in meeting a funeral cortege, turns and for a brief distance, at least, walks with the solemn procession. No matter whether Death has

knocked at the door of castle or cabin, this universal homage is paid by to-day's living and to-morrow's dead. It is well that we should pause for a brief moment amid the hurry and bustle of this legislative life, and walk for a short while with the memory of Charley Roney. His curtain has been rung down. For him the Play is over, and everything is ended. And, as we hear in our musings the sound of a knell, let us give him one loving Thought, not only for the good he did, but, as well, for the good he intended, and drop a tear on his pall as we bid him Farewell.

Big-bodied; big-hearted; big-handed; big-minded. All who knew him well, loved him. And none name him fairly, but to praise.

Mr. Chairman, much could I say of him, but I am reminded that abruptness is ofttimes an eloquence, and I will sum up my brief Tribute of Affection by quoting the beautiful language of the good Irish poet:

"'Tis not the tear at this moment shed,
When the cold turf has just been laid o'er him,
That can tell how beloved is the soul that has fled—
Or how deep in our hearts we deplore him.

'Tis the tear through many a long day wept,
Through a life by his loss all shaded,
'Tis the sad remembrance fondly kept,
When lighter griefs have faded."

CHAIRMAN FLYNN. We have with us to-night the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare, a very warm friend of our departed member, and the Chair now calls upon Senator Vare for a few remarks.

SENATOR EDWIN H. VARE. Mr. Chairman, and gentlemen of the House. I do not know that I am equal to this occasion to speak in memory of one of the ablest men who ever sat in this House. I do not hesitate to say that in my twenty years experience on this Hill I never saw his equal. First, because he was the most brilliant man in my judgment that ever sat in this House in my time, and second because of his honesty of purpose in everything that he attempted to do in the way of legislation, as well as in his practice down in Philadelphia. I want to repeat that I am not half able to express how I feel and what I know of Charlie Roney. I think of all the young men I knew he was one that stood out as a splendid specimen of American manhood. I think I can recite just two instances that will speak a great deal louder and better and truer than anything else I might say to this House. One happened about a month before he was taken sick. One of the judges in Philadelphia told me this in his private chamber and he started out along these lines. He said "My, my, but you have a fine lot of young fellows associated with your cause here in this city." If there is any egotism about this talk, gentlemen, it is not meant to be so. He said, "I had a case before me recently and Charlie Roney represented the man, and the defendant pleaded guilty and he had served thirty days in prison. I called Charlie Roney up to the bar of the court and I said: 'This prisoner has served only thirty days, and I think I will discharge him; I think justice has been met, and I think I will discharge him.'" Charlie Roney was man enough to say, notwithstanding it was his case, "Your honor, I would not do that; this is a bad man; he has gon a bad record; and before you pass judgment on this sentence, it seems to be it would be a safer and better way to look into his character. I would say he should not have less than six months at least, whereby justice will be at least partly met." When the judge looked into the character of the defendant he gave him a year. I mention that to show you how honest he was; he would not let that judge be deceived notwithstanding it would have been to Charlie Roney's benefit to have allowed that defendant to go. This is one instance. Another instance when the Full Crew Bill was being considered here two years ago, I came up on the train with Charlie Roney and the first time in my life I had ever asked him to vote against a bill I said: "Charlie, some of my friends are interested in this full crew repealer. I would like to have your vote on it to-night. I would like to have you say a word for it." He said, "Senator, about a year ago in Scranton, I spoke before the Trainmen's Union. I told them then if there ever was an attempt made to repeal the Full Crew Bill I would stand with those men," and he said: "I think my word is as good as yours and I want to stand with them." He and I shook hands coming up those high stairs at the station on the proposition. When I got over in the Senate another fellow interested in the Full Crew repealer said, "Senator, how are your friends to-night on the Repealer?" "Well," I said, "Charlie Roney and Bill Wilson are against the Repealer." He said, "Send over and get Roney and talk him out of it." I said, "No, Roney thinks his word is as good as any other man's word, and I think so too, and I would not like to send for him." They sent over for him and I sat nearby and heard the conversation. He said, "I would like very much to please you in this matter, but I have given my word that I would stand for the trainmen when this Repealer came up and I cannot break my word." So that you see, gentlemen, you don't often find this kind of man and when you do find a brilliant, bright, clean, upstanding man such as was the case with Charles J. Roney, only a young man in life, you cannot help but appreciate it. I want to conclude by saying that in my twenty years here on the Hill I never saw his equal in this House or the other House, and I hope that the good young boy is in heaven.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair recognizes Mayor Miles B. Kitts of Erie, a former member of this House.

Mr. MILES B. KITTS. Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, on a sad occasion of this kind it is still some measure of pleasure that we former associates of Mr. Charles J. Roney have in rising to testify to his sterling worth. To have known him was to have loved him. It was a pleasure to have known Mr. Roney in this Legislature, and I imagine that it was a pleasure to the fellow citizens of his city and the members of the Bar Association of Philadelphia to have associated themselves with him.

Mr. Roney was honest, courteous, kind, brilliant, eloquent and forceful; many a member has profited by his kind counsels on the floor of this Assembly and in the committee rooms of this House. His whole ambition, it seems to me, was to be kind and to be useful. Rather than deceive you I believe he would have given his very life.

But a short time ago he walked among us; talked with us, spoke to us and counselled with us. It is very fitting at this time, Mr. Chairman, that we pay tribute to the memory of such a sterling young man as was Charles J. Roney. It seems that the hand of fate struck him down in the early days of his life.

There is a Reaper whose name is Death,
And with his sickle keen,
He reaps the bearded grain at a breath,
And the flowers that grow between.

I am very glad—indeed I am happy, in the sad occasion of this evening, to say as a citizen of Pennsylvania that we knew and admired Charles J. Roney. I was very closely associated with him in two sessions of this Legislature. He was the same sterling fellow day after day. It made no difference whether you were with him or against him, his honesty and his character shown out day after day.

I can remember no young man in all my acquaintances and in all my associates in whom I had more confidence and with whom in those short months that I was in the Assembly I had closer associations. And to the young men of this Commonwealth it seems that the character and example set by Charles Roney ought to be a guiding star to shape the character of the coming generations of this Commonwealth.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair recognizes the Speaker of the House, Richard J. Baldwin.

SPEAKER RICHARD J. BALDWIN. Mr. Chairman and fellow members, it makes us all feel sad on such an occasion as this. Time rolls on and the vacant seats grow in number. But such is life. This is Nature's law. We all have an opportunity in life to make ourselves felt and to do that which meets with the approval and admiration of our friends and our neighbors and those with whom we come in contact. Death is not the loss of he who goes over the great divide; the loss is felt by those who were his associates and those with whom he mingled, and the greatest loss is felt in the immediate household. While we who served in this House with Charles J. Roney of Philadelphia learned to love him, as a friend, learned to like him as a co-worker, learned to appreciate his honesty, learned to have a high regard for the high standard of

character that he demonstrated as our friend, as our co-worker in a great legislative body for a great empire.

Like many, no doubt, that sit here to-night, representing this great Commonwealth, he started from the humbler walks of life. It is from out and amongst a great multitude that Charles J. Roney rose up to become one of the legislators for a great empire. While we all learned to love him, to-night I cannot help but think of the sorrow indeed that must have been felt in that family by a partner for life in a wife who is a magnificent woman; children bound up by the ties of fraternalism to such a noble father; indeed, he must have left a sorrowing home—we know that he was more dear to them than us, and it is to them we send our great sympathy. We meet here to-night so that the proceedings of this gathering may go down on the records of this great Commonwealth so that future generations may know that from an humble birth there rose a boy, a man, who made his mark in the world and had not lived in vain. He is an example of what integrity and energy in a great State like Pennsylvania can accomplish. It is an illustration of the opportunities of this grand, free republic that we live in. I have served in this legislative body for several sessions; I have come in close contact, indeed, with several hundreds of men that have been selected by the people of this great Commonwealth to legislate for them, but from among all of these in these twenty years past I have never met a more lovable character; indeed, I have never come in contact with a man in whom I had greater confidence and I had opportunity to know Charles J. Roney well because not only did I work with him ofttimes in harmony, aiming for the same objects in these legislative halls, but ofttimes have I found myself crossing swords with him and learned that I had an opponent of the very best. But in the committees, where we really learned to find out what is in a man, I found out that he was one of the ablest men whom I had come in contact with in my legislative experience—none stood above him in my regard. Charles J. Roney, of the Third District of the great city of Philadelphia, leaves in my memory the fond recollection of a rare and valued friend who made the world the better for his having been one of and amongst us. Peace to his dust, and sympathy to all whom made up his home ties.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Palmer.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chairman, two years ago it was my pleasure to stand on this floor at the closing hours of that session and say to the men who were members here that "we have had our differences, we have disagreed but goodwill has survived on such misforutne and bound us with knots of flowers, and no power can ever break an iron chain that is bound with knots of flowers," and in that chain and one of the most important links, our chain of flowers and sweet remembrances, stands out the name of Charles J. Roney. I can see him as if it were yesterday. I can recall when I first came here how I waited to hear the men who were members of this Assembly talk and see what power they had toward swaying the members toward their side of the question and I do not remember, Mr. Chairman, of any man in the last Assembly who was as eloquent a talker as Charles J. Roney. I have in my time, in my short experience, heard men who understood better the foundations of oratory, who had by trials or some strong suffering which occurred in their lives become more eloquent, but I never in my life witnessed a man who, from a practical oratorical standpoint, or from the standpoint of perhaps a future eminence had more of the makeup of the real orator in him than had this beloved colleague from Philadelphia, our dear, dead friend, and to attempt the duty of eulogizing him is one which affects me with anxious modesty and full emotion.

The living form of Charles Roney no longer graces the seat of honor in this assemblage but the inspiration of his spirit survives throughout its length and breadth and the souls of all his comrades encircle as with an ocean of love that tomb that contains all that is left of him. No eloquence could find voice for the feelings which spring up within my bosom at this consecrated time, feelings of grief at his loss, reverence for his character, pride in his glory, gratitude for his service and thankfulness for his life. When I heard that Charles Roney had crossed the river I felt that there went up from the City of Philadelphia if they knew him as I knew that they must know him, the wailing voices of thousands of its people who mourned the loss of friend and guide, but I felt that upon the ear of Christian faith there broke another strain, the jubilant anthem of everlasting peace in sounding welcome from choral seraphim. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

"Let us think that his dying eyes read a mystic meaning which only the rapt and parting soul may know; let us believe that in the silence of the receding world he heard the great waves breaking on the further shore and felt already upon his wasted brow the breath of the eternal morning."

The CHAIRMAN. The Chairman recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Beyer.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the House, if ever I deplored the poverty of speech and that faculty for a timely and appropriate expression of sentiment dear to our hearts, it is on this occasion when I rise to do justice to my colleague and friend. I wish I had the power to present Charlie Roney in a manner that would do him justice. Those of us who were with him in his legislative work in the last session have before us and will continue to have before us the pleasing memory of his countenance, his smiling reception when greeted by members of this House or invited into some discussion of its business.

Charlie Roney was to my mind a truly great man, for he had within him the elements of real manhood, that ruggedness of character that comes from a solid foundation, a fortunate birth of happy ancestry. He was above all men I ever came in contact with one of the noblest examples of American opportunity because he, like many more who have come into this place to do their duty and to represent a constituency in this Commonwealth, came from the humbler walks of life, from that class of people of which Lincoln used to say "The Lord must have been most fond because he made so many of them." He came, if you please, from the same kind of a foundation that Lincoln did. In early life he was compelled to struggle and to work, although not born in absolute poverty or want and blessed with devoted parents who shared with him ambitions and in every manner and way assisted him, yet he was from the manner of his birth and the parents who looked after his interests made to work and to look into the future with the ruggedness that afterwards showed itself so splendidly in his eloquence upon the floor of this House. Charlie Roney was a man of courage, a man who saw his duty and had the courage and manhood to face that duty. Although I have differed with him, as many others did in the last session of this legislative body, there never was a moment of time that I did not share his absolute confidence and respect, and as a fellow lawyer at the Philadelphia bar, some years older than he and at the bar some years longer than he, I had the good fortune to see him rise from the mere stripling of a lawyer to the mighty power that he was in the Courts of Quarter Sessions and the Courts of Common Pleas of my native county.

I remember now, as I speak, of an incident some years ago before I ever had the honor of coming to this assembly, sitting in the office of a member of this House, who, as a colleague of his, joined in the work that they had to do in this chamber, a lawyer of some standing at the bar of Philadelphia, and as I walked into his office and was greeted by these gentlemen and sat there for a few moments and heard them discuss the work that was cut out for them to do the following day, that it was with pleasure that I listened to the discussion between these gentlemen and after the discussion was over and Charlie Roney left the room this lawyer said to me: "Fred, there is a coming man;" and I believe that the prophecy of this eminent lawyer would surely have been fulfilled in even greater measure than it was had the good Lord spared our colleague for further usefulness and service in this House. He represented that courage and that manhood which the nation to-day and this Commonwealth stands so much in need of, the real, rugged substantial manhood. He had the heart of a child and yet he had a ruggedness and a force of manhood that made the childish heart of him all

the more noble, all the purer, all the grander, all the more appealing to our sense of friendship when we grasped his hand in honest tribute to his manhood.

I see now as I stand in this chamber the battles that passed before me in the last session. How courageously he stood by his friend Mr. Wilson in every measure he had brought into this House. How he had the courage at all times to stand up and battle for bills at times when others failed in their courage to stand up and speak the truth. He had the real courage of which men are made,—that character of courage which builds up the state and which furnishes to the nation in time of war the soldier who stands on the field of battle. But peace, my friends, has her victories no less than war. There are times in the pleasant moments of peace when courage is required to rise above the petty strifes and turmoils of human life. He had that courage. I saw him in the courts of quarter sessions when judges impatient at times restlessly upon the bench were endeavoring to silence the advocate, but he stood every inch of his ground in appealing for justice and the enforcement of the law, as has been so eloquently said in the early part of this discussion here to-night. He had the character of manhood of which we might well be proud, and which we might take for ourselves as an example to follow in the future. As a member of the Municipal Corporations Committee in the last session, I think my good friend Mr. Glass and I were perhaps the most active. Mr. Roney was a member of that committee, but he had been assigned to other work, and was frequently absent from the meetings and deliberations of this particular committee because he was needed elsewhere. While my good friend Glass and I enjoyed ourselves to the full measure with the conduct of the work in this committee, I want to say to you, however, there never was a moment of time that our enjoyment rose to the highest pitch as it did when the door opened and little Charley Roney walked in and gave us a few words in his usual earnest spirit in support of or against some measure on the table then before us. He was a man whom men could love, because he was ready at all times to give and take. He was a man whom the court was bound to respect in his pleadings as an advocate, because he stood unflinchingly in defense of the rights of his client. Not only, gentlemen, was this advocate forcible in the appeals that he made in the courts of justice of our county, but he was more than forcible and persistent in the manner in which he addressed himself to his clients. I had the good fortune a little time before his death to be associated with him in the trial of an important homicide case in Philadelphia. We traveled together to the county prison and the cell door of the prison was swung open and we were allowed to go inside and sit there and listen to the prisoner's story. But it did not ring true into Charley Roney's ears, and it required but the thought of a moment to bring from this prisoner's mind, by the forcible and incisive questioning that Roney hurled into his ears, the truthful narration of what actually did occur, and it resulted, by virtue of the truth then told, in a victory at the bar which otherwise could never have been accomplished had he permitted the prisoner's lies to remain ringing in our ears when the conversation first was opened. I say, therefore, that the State of Pennsylvania has lost one of its noblest citizens; this House has lost a useful member; the party to which he belonged has lost a most able advocate in the support of its principles. It might well be regretted that he was unfortunate enough not to have had the honor before his death to feel that he might join with his companions here again and render the signal service which he so well rendered to his native state and to the honor and glory and credit of his family. But now that he has gone, now that we have naught but the memory that lingers I can only leave with you as I leave these parting thoughts, the words of the poet who said:

"Slowly and sadly we laid him down
From the field of his fame fresh and gory,
We carved not a line, we raised not a stone,
But we left him alone with his glory."

CHAIRMAN FLYNN. The question is on the adoption of the resolution offered by the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cox.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Whereupon,

The CHAIRMAN declared the meeting adjourned.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, March 19, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. Clarence J. Buckman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Our kind Heavenly Father, we are reminded by the signs of mourning upon the empty chair of our beloved Senator, Charles J. Magee, that there has passed away from us another star into the galaxy of statesmen who have finished their earthly career. We had learned to love this young Senator; he was our colleague, our companion, our friend and our brother. We had learned to respect and admire him for his courage, his fearlessness, his will power and his loyalty; and we pray, our kind Heavenly Father, that Thy special blessings may be with his distinguished brother and other relatives whose hearts are broken and bruised because of the void that has come to them, that cannot be filled only by Thee. We pray Thy blessing also upon the bereaved family of the Secretary of Internal Affairs. May Thy blessing be with this body and with all the people of our great Commonwealth. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. DAIX, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

AGAINST THE PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 74 AND THE DUNN OPTOMETRY BILL.

He also presented petition of citizens of Philadelphia against the passage of Senate Bill No. 74, and the Dunn Optometry Bill.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE BILL TO ENABLE CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS TO BUY AND SELL FOOD ARTICLES AT COST.

He also presented petition of the Woman's Protective League of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of a bill to enable cities of the first class to buy and sell food articles at cost for the benefit of the people.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF A LAW THAT WILL PLACE THE SEALERS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES UNDER CONTROL OF THE STATE.

The Chair presented the petition of citizens of Avonmore, Pa., praying for the passage of a law that will place the sealers of weights and measures under the control of the State, so that the miners of the bituminous fields will have protection in getting the scales tested at the mine tipples.

Which was committed to the committee on mines and Mining.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. NASON asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Crawford, Mr. Raymond E. Smith.

Mr. W. W. SMITH asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Jenkins.

Mr. CROW asked and obtained a lease of absence for the Senator from Delaware, Mr. Sproul, until to-morrow.

Mr. McKEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Semmens.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communications from the House of Representatives, which were laid upon the table.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from His excelency the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 155.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 15, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 155, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the commission appointed pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, for the purpose of investigating the system of recording deeds, mortgages and so forth."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 13, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, H. J. Hays, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Kittanning, County of Armstrong, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice M. D. Lehner, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jacob A. Eberts, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of West Penn, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Jacob Zehner, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George A. Behney, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Pinegrove, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice F. L. Zimmerman, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George J. Dunn, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Girardville, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. F. Lavelle, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, James B. Neale, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Foster, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure to elect.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, S. A. Duncan, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Cambridge Springs, County of Crawford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice M. H. Luse, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Samuel P. Winters, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Bethel, County of Fulton, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure to elect.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Boyer, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Shrewsberry, County of Lycoming, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice George W. Smith, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, M. T. Haxton, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Troy, County of Bradford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice William S. Holland, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 15, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Norton L. Gleason, to be a Justice of the Peace, in and for the Borough of Linesville, County of Crawford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Fred J. Shattuck, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George W. Heverly, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Beccaria, County of Clearfield, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. F. McFarland, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William Orwig Rearick, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Old Armagh, County of Mifflin, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice John Longwell, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 19, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ADAMS COUNTY.

J. L. Kendlehart, Gettysburg, March 27, 1917.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Franklin H. Allison, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
D. K. Ferree, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Arthur D. Gatz, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Frank E. Hall, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Louis Hirsch, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Emma Hutchison, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
John J. Lang, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
John E. Macdowell, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Thos. G. Sessa, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Miss Emma R. Sullivan, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Francis T. Tomasson, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Walter D. Young, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
William J. White, Pittsburgh, March 27, 1917.
Carl K. Devlin, Pittsburgh, March 29, 1917.
Delmont A. Barbor, East Pittsburgh, April 1, 1917.
Mrs. Pearl M. Merit, Pittsburgh, April 1, 1917.
James G. Jenkins, McKeesport, April 4, 1917.
Omer J. Manandise, Tarentum, April 5, 1917.
A. J. Gresky, Pittsburgh, April 8, 1917.
B. F. Richards, Pittsburgh, April 13, 1917.
A. W. Forsyth, Pittsburgh, April 17, 1917.
Miss Bessie L. McGratty, Pittsburgh, April 17, 1917.
W. D. Houghtelin, Oakmont, April 20, 1917.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Miss L. V. Obney, Beaver, April 16, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

W. D. Billman, Reading, March 25, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Ernest Salvucci, Altoona, March 25, 1917.
H. M. Sausser, Tyrone, March 25, 1917.
W. J. Hamor, Altoona, April 10, 1917.
N. C. McConahy, Tyrone, April 23, 1917.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

A Carl Fanning, Towanda, April 8, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Hugh F. Purdy, Riegelsville, March 25, 1917.
Charles R. Althouse, Sellersville, April 5, 1917.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Theodore C. H. Keck, Butler, March 25, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Cecelia Conrad, Cresson, April 16, 1917.
H. A. Englehart, Jr., Ebensburg, April 30, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Edward J. Thomas, Lansford, April 17, 1917.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Miss Linda M. Fulmer, Parkesburg, March 25, 1917.
William T. Yerkes, Easttown Township, March 25, 1917.
Joseph L. Christy, Coatesville, April 24, 1917.
Thomas Sprackman, Coatesville, April 29, 1917.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Christopher Harman, Mt. Holly Springs, March 25, 1917.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Montgomery H. Miller, Harrisburg, April 7, 1917.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

John A. Butler, Eddystone, March 25, 1917.
Miss Martha H. Melick, Chester, April 8, 1917.
Samuel Dyer Clyde, Chester, April 17, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

P. Diefenbach, Erie, March 25, 1917.
Laverne H. Raymond, Greenfield Township, April 17, 1917.
William O. Morrow, Union City, April 29, 1917.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

John S. Griffiths, Brownsville, April 15, 1917.

JUNIATA COUNTY.

Homer E. Van Ormer, Delaware Township, April 15, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Miss Mary Duffy, Scranton, March 25, 1917.
James F. Kearney, Archbald, March 25, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

G. S. Royer, Ephrata, April 13, 1917.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

L. M. Uber, New Castle, April 7, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

John W. Sepp, Allentown, March 25, 1917.
Henry W. Mohr, Allentown, April 3, 1917.
Wm. F. Buchheit, Allentown, April 23, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Samuel Sicherman, Wilkes-Barre, April 7, 1917.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

Charles S. DuBelle, Williamsport, April 7, 1917.

MERCER COUNTY.

Anthony T. Pascone, Farrell, April 1, 1917.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Miss Katharine R. Kiernan, Norristown, April 13, 1917.
Miss Sarah J. McMullin, Norristown, April 13, 1917.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Fred N. Landon, Sunbury, March 25, 1917.
Jefferson Shipman, Mt. Carmel, April 12, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Allan L. Kirby, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
Miss Ellen E. Deady, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Edward G. Eastwood, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Horace S. Furman, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Theodosia Gray, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
George A. Maene, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
William Rarich, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Richard J. Seltzer, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
T. A. Sheridan, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Ralph R. Stearly, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Edward F. Walsh, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
John Dunn, Philadelphia, March 26, 1917.
George H. Shevlin, Philadelphia, April 1, 1917.
David A. Hammond, Philadelphia, April 4, 1917.
Paul W. Blattenberger, Philadelphia, April 7, 1917.
John M. Flynn, Philadelphia, April 7, 1917.
Herbert C. Russell, Philadelphia, April 7, 1917.
John A. Fitzpatrick, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
E. E. Miller, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
Hermann Walzer, Philadelphia, April 9, 1917.
Walter F. Henry, Philadelphia, April 10, 1917.
Miss Lillie A. Donovan, Philadelphia, April 12, 1917.
W. O. Hampstead, Jr., Philadelphia, April 12, 1917.
John P. Adams, Philadelphia, April 17, 1917.
Edward J. Logue, Philadelphia, April 22, 1917.
Fred W. Breitinger, Philadelphia, April 23, 1917.
George W. Wilgus, Philadelphia, April 28, 1917.
Wm. R. Newgeon, Philadelphia, April 29, 1917.
William C. Scotney, Philadelphia, April 29, 1917.
Mrs. Helen H. Gow, Philadelphia, April 30, 1917.

POTTER COUNTY.

B. L. Langworthy, Shinglehouse, March 25, 1917.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Michael Shimko, Windber, March 25, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

W. A. Allen, Monongahela City, March 25, 1917.
Edmond J. Poudevigne, Cecil Township, March 25, 1917.
Bela Trilecz, Canonsburg, March 25, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

John B. Gordon, Derry, March 25, 1917.
William H. Sullivan, Youngwood, March 25, 1917.
Frank E. Werner, Derry, March 25, 1917.
Miss Rose Sarver, Greensburg, April 1, 1917.
Charles W. Saxman, Latrobe, April 6, 1917.
I. M. Graham, Ligonier, April 8, 1917.
M. J. McGeary, New Kensington, April 10, 1917.
Vincenzo Colaianni, New Kensington, April 13, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

J. H. Bartenschlager, Stewartstown, April 6, 1917.
Edward M. Strickler, Hellam, April 7, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 19, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Louis E. Aronson, Pittsburgh.
R. B. G. Haughton, Pittsburgh.
Benjamin D. Lewis, Pittsburgh.
Luther Mandeville, Pittsburgh.
Miss Mary G. Moran, Pittsburgh.
Emil Steinbach, Pittsburgh.
Wm. H. Thompson, Pittsburgh.
Fred Waldschmidt, Pittsburgh.
Edward B. Jacobson, Wilmerding.
W. Ellis Byers, West Deer Township.

BERKS COUNTY.

Adam G. Lerch, Wernersville.

BUTLER COUNTY.

C. L. McQuistion, Butler.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

B. Chas. Held, Johnstown.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

Harry T. Smith, Du Bois.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Merrill F. Hummel, Carlisle.

ERIE COUNTY.

William Hagenlocher, Erie.
Leonard J. Kujawski, Erie.
Thomas W. Spofford, Erie.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Chas. M. Clark, Brownsville.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Mrs. Kathryn C. Griffin, Scranton.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

H. K. Ober, Elizabethtown.

LYCOMING COUNTY.

John P. Fowler, Montgomery.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Miss Bessie F. Citron, Norristown.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

W. A. Kemmerer, Easton.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

J. Simpson Kline, Sunbury.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Frank J. Brown, Philadelphia.
John I. Maloney, Philadelphia.
Nelson B. Marshall, Philadelphia.
Luigi Pasquale, Philadelphia.
Richard M. Philler, Philadelphia.
Charles P. Quinn, Philadelphia.
Erwin Sturm, Philadelphia.
John A. Zoells, Philadelphia.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

F. M. Gardiner, Forest City.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Louis R. Smith, Union Township.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

William G. Shaffer, Youngwood.

WYOMING COUNTY.

William S. Decker, Nicholson.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives, as follows:

House Bill No. 106 (Senate Bill No. 544), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to further carry out the provisions of the act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven (P. L. 938), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the improvement of the State canal basins at the Port of Erie by dredging the said basins; for widening the piers and bridge over the water channel between the said canal basins, and erecting certain walls in the same; for the protection of the said State canal basins, with harbor of Erie; authorizing the appointment of a commission to make said improvements; and providing for regulating the manner in which said basin shall be used by the public, and kept in repairs."

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 177 (Senate Bill No. 545), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 185 (Senate Bill No. 546), entitled

An Act amending section six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the release on probation of certain convicts, instead of imposing sentences; the appointment of probation and parole officers, and the payment of their salaries and expenses; regulating the manner of sentencing convicts in certain cases, and providing for their release on parole; their conviction of crime during parole, and their rearrest and reconviction for breach of parole; and extending the powers and duties of boards of prison inspectors of penitentiaries," approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven; in order that same may limit the minimum sentence so that it shall in no case exceed one-third of the maximum sentence.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 195 (Senate Bill No. 547), entitled

An Act to amend an act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock;' approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose; constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity, or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,'" approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products;" extending the same to companies engaged in packing, manipulating, or manufacturing tobacco, or manufacturing cigars, cigarettes or other tobacco products.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

House Bill No. 248 (Senate Bill No. 548), entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 249 (Senate Bill No. 549), entitled

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions, approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding

all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 250 (Senate Bill No. 550) entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 262 (Senate Bill No. 551), entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

House Bill No. 293 (Senate Bill No. 552), entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act, entitled 'An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 472 (Senate Bill No. 555), entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-four), entitled "A Further Supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 359 (Senate Bill No. 554), entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 472 (Senate Bill No. 555), entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act, entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of, contracts for work and labor to be done, and labor or materials to be furnished, to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe railway, or railroad line; canal, mill-race; works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold air, or any other substance furnished to the public; well for the production of gas, oil, or other volatile or mineral substance; or other structure or improvement, of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one; so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 583 (Senate Bill No. 556), entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three," as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 657 (Senate Bill No. 557), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 728 (Senate Bill No. 558), entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a joint committee to investigate the alleged scarcity and high costs of foodstuffs in the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

RESOLUTION PLEDGING SUPPORT TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

He also laid before the Senate extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives which was twice read as follows

In the House of Representatives, March 12, 1917.

Whereas, The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the foreign affairs of the nation by the acts of certain Senators of the United States in refusing authority to the President to protect the lives and property of American citizens on high seas,

Therefore, Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made; that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men, women and children; and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States, working and traveling upon the high seas, may be preserved and the dignity and honor of the United States maintained.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move you that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask for a roll call.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, my purpose in making the motion to refer the resolution to the Committee on Judiciary Special is not for delaying the resolution to any extent, but for the purpose of looking into it and seeing if there is anything in the resolution that can be corrected, which will make it of a stronger purport and we would have something that the members can intelligently vote upon.

The PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Cambria, Mr. Tompkins, insist upon a roll call?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I see no reason why this resolution should not be acted upon at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Cambria, Mr. Tompkins, insist upon a roll call?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President. I do.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. TOMPKINS and Mr. LEIBY, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—25.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Schantz,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Weaver,
Croft,	Homsher,	Miller,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jones,	Nason,	
Daix,	Lynch,	Patton,	
Endsley,	Martin,	Phipps,	

NAYS—12.

Hackett,	Salus,	Sones,	Vare,
Hindman,	Sassaman,	Stewart,	Warner,
Leiby,	Snyder, P. W.,	Tompkins,	Wasbers,

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

SENATE BILL NO. 74 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 3, on page 4, line 16, by striking out "prescribed" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "prescribed"; also section 5, on page 6, line 20, by striking out "Lisensure" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Licensure"; also section 6, on page 7, line 10, by striking out the word "entitled" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "entitle"; also section 12, on page 12, line 22, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nor".

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—1.

Miller,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 12.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives returning to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 12, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties."

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 14.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives returning to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 14, entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven, of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 198), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendments.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 82.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives returning to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

SENATE BILL NO. 118 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives returning to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 118 entitled

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

with the information that the House has passed the same with admendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the Calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendment made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 9, page 7, line 23, by striking out the word "private;" also section 14, page 12, line 7, by striking out the word "sidepaths" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "subways."

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sones,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Salus,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 339, entitled

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes, school taxes, municipal claims and water rents in cities of first class.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 533, entitled

An Act requiring boards or commissioners having charge of public grounds and parks in cities of the first class to set aside, in certain cases, lands suitable for the erection of a stadium.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 314, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 11th day of April, 1913 (Pamphlet Laws 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof,' approved the 11th day of March, A. D. 1909; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation," providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, co-partnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell, and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Exposition Affairs, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 396 (House Bill No. 420), entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler, Butler County.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 325, entitled

An Act providing for the sale, distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 389 (House Bill No. 3), entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land, and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 310 (House Bill No. 366), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward L. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 240, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Chestnut Hill Hospital, of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 505, entitled

An Act directing the Commission appointed under the act of April twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a Commission of three persons, learned in the law, to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates, and making an appropriation," to publish preliminary drafts of bills prepared by said Commission codifying the law of decedents' estates; providing for the distribution thereof; and making an appropriation.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 470, entitled

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg, Mississippi, for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in June and July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee, to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park, October sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act to refund to The Sanitary Casket Protector Company of Berks County, money erroneously paid as tax on capital stock.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 307 (House Bill No. 286), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 253, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgment and costs recovered in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County in the suit of Joseph Moore, James S. T. Moore, Annie M. Polk, Rebecca E. Swiggett, Mary E. Williams, Spencer C. Moore vs. Robert K. Young, Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 384 (House Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs, making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling, and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same and for paper.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 308 (House Bill No. 324), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 309 (House Bill No. 349), entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 361 (House Bill No. 319), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment

of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 474, entitled

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Resolution No. 8, as follows:

RESOLUTION PLEDGING SUPPORT TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

Whereas The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the Foreign Affairs of the Nation

Therefore Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men women and children and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States working and traveling upon the high seas may be preserved and the dignity and honor of the United States maintained

Which was laid upon the table.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 303 (House Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special, as amended, resolution of the House of Representatives, as follows:

A Concurrent Resolution providing for a commission to investigate and report the increase in the cost of foodstuffs and other necessaries of life and to investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of living; empowering said commission to issue subpoenas and providing for the attendance of witnesses, and the penalty for failure to obey such subpoenas; empowering said commission to work and co-operate with like commissions of adjoining States.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives (if the Senate concur), That a commission consisting of two members of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Governor of this Commonwealth, to serve without compensation, to investigate and report the cause or causes of the increase in the cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life. Said commission shall have power to work and co-operate with like commissions from adjoining States, and shall, in any manner in which it may deem advisable, thoroughly investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life, and said commission shall not be limited in any manner whatsoever in its investigation; said commission shall report to the present session of the Legislature.

For the purpose of enabling said commission to carry out and perform its duties, the said commission shall have the right to sit in any part of this Commonwealth; and shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books, papers, and other evidence, at the meeting of the commission, and for that purpose may issue subpoenas, signed by the president of the commission, and cause the same to be served and executed in any court of this Commonwealth; and if any witness shall refuse to testify any fact within his knowledge, or to produce any books or papers within his possession or under his control the secretary of the commission shall forthwith report the facts of such refusal to the court of common pleas of the county wherein such witness resides, or wherein his attendance was required, and all questions arising upon such refusal shall at once be heard by said court. If the court determines that the testimony or evidence required by such witness is legal and properly competent and ought to be given or produced by him or her, then said court shall make an order commanding such witness to testify or produce books or papers or both, as the case may be; and if such witness shall thereafter refuse to testify or to produce books or papers, as aforesaid, in disobedience of such order of the court, then the said court shall have power to order the recommitment of such witness to the county jail of the proper county for contempt.

The said commission shall have power to call upon the Attorney General for such legal advice as it may require.

Which was laid upon the table.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act defining cold storage and regulating time of storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Mr. CATLIN, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 320, entitled

An Act amending sections one, three, four, seven, ten, eleven and repealing section eight of an act, entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city, school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth, and providing that the City Treasurer of each of said cities, by virtue of his office, shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation," approved the 20th day of June, A. D. 1901.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article three of an act, approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Mr. CROFT, from the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 216, entitled

An Act relating to the salaries and expenses of the examiners in the Department of Banking.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 559, entitled

An Act providing for a State association of County Controllers and Deputy County Controllers and for the meetings thereof and providing for the payment by the counties of the expense thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 560, entitled

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the 19th day of March, 1909, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania; to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, by providing for the extension of time necessary for graduation; by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses; and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 561, entitled

An Act to further amend the act approved the 5th day of March, 1906, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and to provide penalties for violation of its provisions," by providing for special registrations for special elections.

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement of reconstruction of certain State highways

in certain cases, upon the property abutting the line of improvement; and providing for the collection of such assessments.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A COMMITTEE TO PREPARE AND DRAFT FOR INTRODUCTION AT THE PRESENT SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR MILITARY TRAINING IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SNYDER offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

In the Senate, March 19, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That five members of the Senate, to be appointed by the President pro tempore, and seven members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker, are hereby constituted a Legislative Committee to prepare and draft for introduction at the present session of the General Assembly, a bill to provide for military training in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committees, be dispensed with, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time, and I give for my reasons the following:

The several states of this nation are considering measures for the training of the youth of the country in the public school or some other appropriate place. As there is considerable division how this should be done, in order that no particular mind may be presented on a bill of this kind, and that the responsibility may be imposed upon the whole legislature, I thought it proper before presenting a bill of this kind that a resolution should be presented so that the House and Senate should take the responsibility, if they thought proper to consider this question of military training, and present a bill in due time, so that the Senate and House can act upon it if they see proper. Now in support of that, while I do not believe Pennsylvania should follow any state, because I believe we should be first, but we cannot always be first for the reason that our meetings are different. I still think that the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should take action upon a question so grave, and especially since the State of New York has recently enacted a bill for military training of its youth in the public schools, which has been approved by the Governor, I think we should be in a position to at least consider at this session, whether we pass it or not, and for that reason I ask that the Senate vote favorably upon this resolution.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 563, entitled

An Act authorizing the Attorney General to appoint investigators to investigate estates of inmates of institutions for the support and maintenance of whom the Commonwealth may be liable in whole or in part and to ascertain the relatives of such inmates who may be liable for the support and maintenance of such inmates; defining the powers and duties of such investigators; and providing penalties

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act requiring the several prothonotaries and clerks of the courts of quarter sessions to keep certain dockets and to enter therein all matters coming before the respective courts concerning lunatics, weak-minded persons and persons committed to institutions; and requiring county commissioners to furnish such dockets at the expense of the county.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act requiring service of notice of all petitions for the appointment of guardians and committees for lunatics and weak-minded persons, notice of confirmation of accounts of such guardians and committees, and notice of all audits to be served upon the Attorney-General.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act relating to the audit and distribution of estates of lunatics and weak-minded persons.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges."

Which was committed to the Commitee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 568, entitled

A Supplement to the act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred ninety-eight), entitled "An Act to supervise the operations of fire insurance rate-making bureaus and providing for their examination by the Insurance Commissioner; prohibiting discrimination in fixing and collecting fire insurance rates; requiring companies to maintain and co-operate in maintaining and operating rate-making bureaus; requiring inspection and survey by such bureaus of all risks specifically rated; and regulating agreements between companies or other insurers with respect to fixing and collecting fire insurance rates; and repealing existing laws."

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 569, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane, at Farview, Wayne County, and authorizing the Board of Trustees to perform certain work in connection therewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 570, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Carbondale City Hospital, of Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 571, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide and fix fees and compensation to be received by constables in this Commonwealth for visiting places where liquors are sold or kept."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane, at Farview, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests.

Which was committed to the Committee on Forestry.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 574, entitled

An Act requiring borough councils, township commissioners, township supervisors, and school directors to file auditors' reports in the office of the clerk of quarter sessions; requiring the county commissioners to furnish books for that purpose; imposing certain duties on auditors; fixing the fee of the clerk of the court, and providing for removal from office in case of failure to comply herewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 575, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the state line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement theerof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for the payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. WASBERS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty-three, entitled "An Act to re-charter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia," and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act regulating banks."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CROFT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 577, entitled

An Act regulating the display or exhibit for sale of food, imposing duties upon the Dairy and Food Commissioner, and providing penalties."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 578, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township, establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. HINDMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 579, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, and providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining the same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same; and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, mantenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner, and the several counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof, in the same manner as a State-aid highway; and authorizing counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof, and making valid all such contracts heretofore made; such highway to remain a State Highway.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 580, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Homestead Hospital, Homestead, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act empowering certain corporations, societies, and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the Court of Common Pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BALDWIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 582, entitled

An Act to amend section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part, requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work to be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid Highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act approved the 13th day of June, 1836, entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee of Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 584, entitled

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the County of Potter.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. HACKETT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 585, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Easton Hospital, at Easton.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriation.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 586, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the Easton Hospital, Northampton County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. HALDEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 587, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Good Samaritan Hospital, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 588, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the 2nd day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 589, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the 29th day of April, A. D. 1874, providing for the incorporation and regulation of electric light, heat and power companies," approved the 8th day of May, A. D. 1889, by giving to electric light, heat and power companies the right of eminent domain.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 590, entitled

An Act providing for the permanent improvement by the State Highway Department of a section of State Highway Route Number 73, located in Butler County, defining the procedure preliminary thereto apportioning the cost thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 591, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the 13th day of May, 1887, entitled "An Act to restrain and regulate the sale of vinous and spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF. Mr. President, for the benefit of the Senate, and fearing there might be a remote possibility that this bill may not reappear on the floor of the Senate, I would like to state that this is what is known as the "Anti-Treating Bill." A condition exists in my district where one of the judges refuses to permit treating, whilst the judge in the other county permits it. You know the Brooks law is a law that is capable of the most elasticity of any law that is on our statute books and this is to correct one of those features giving the judge a free hand, to restrain this primary department of drunkenness under this bill and so as to prevent the school of crime under the bill. Therefore, I think that this bill should be considered by the committee and reported out at the present time.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I would like to amend that speech by saying that I would move an amendment to that, that the man who treats gives notice to everybody about the place that he is going to do it. That I think would be a penalty.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 592, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 593, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the Slippery Rock Normal School, Slippery Rock, Butler County, for the construction and equipment of a sewage and plumbing system and sewage disposal plant.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 594, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Passavant Hospital, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 595, entitled

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings, partition proceedings, or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 596, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the University of Pittsburgh for the general maintenance of and purchase of equipment for the University, the maintenance of the Summer School, the Extension Work, the Research Work, the Library, including the purchase of books, and for the construction of buildings.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION TO MAKE AN INVESTIGATION OF THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYES OF THE SENATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING WHETHER ALL THE ABOVE EMPLOYES ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER THAT THE BUSINESS OF THIS BODY MAY BE TRANSACTED EFFICIENTLY, OR WHETHER IN THE INTEREST OF ECONOMY A REDUCTION COULD NOT BE MADE IN SAID FORCE OF EMPLOYES OR THE SALARIES PAID THEM.

Mr. LEIBY presented the following resolution which was twice read:

Whereas, The payrolls certified to the State Treasurer show that five officers and eighty-one other employes are retained in the service of the State by reason of the fact the Senate in the general assembly is now in session, and

Whereas, Economy and Efficiency in the public service is not only desirable from the standpoint of good government but absolutely essential by reason of the ever-increasing demands being made upon the revenues of the Commonwealth, and

Whereas, The payrolls as certified to the State Treasurer show that there are retained in the State service by reason of the apparent requirements of the Senate, the following officers and employes:

President pro tempore (additional salary)..	$ 5 a day
Secretary,	6,000 a year
Chief Clerk,	5,000 a year
Assistant Clerk,	1,800 a session
Librarian,	3,600 a year
Assistant Librarian,	1,800 a session
Journal Clerk,	1,800 a session
Desk Clerk,	1,500 a session
Executive Clerk,	1,500 a session
Chief Official Reporter,	15 a day
Two official reporters,	12 a day
Three expert typewriters,	6 a day
Two legislative journal clerks,	7 a day
Message Clerk,	8 a day
Four transcribing clerks,	7 a day
One sergeant-at-arms,	8 a day
One chief assistant sergeant-at-arms,	7 a day
Eight assistant sergeants-at-arms,	7 a day
Postmaster,	7 a day
Messenger,	6 a day
Superintendent of folding room,	6 a day
Four pasters and folders,	6 a day
Clerk to President,	1,500 a year
Stenographer to President,	1,000 a year
Clerk to President pro tempore,	7 a day
Stenographer to President pro tempore,	6 a day
Stenographer to Chief Clerk,	6 a day
Stenographer to Secretary,	7 a day
Stenographer to Librarian,	7 a day
Chaplain,	7 a day
Day watchman,	6 a day
Night watchman,	6 a day
Two clerks to committees,	7 a day
Eight stenographers,	7 a day
Custodian of Committee room,	6 a day
Elevator operator,	6 a day
Assistant elevator operator,	6 a day
Custodian of washroom,	6 a day
Superintendent of storerooms,	7 a day
Custodian of basement,	6 a day
Custodian of newspapermens room,	6 a day
Three janitors,	3 a day
Page to President,	3 a day
Page to President pro tempore,	3 a day
Chief Page,	3 a day
Fourteen pages,	2 a day

and,

Whereas, These employes, together with the officers of the Senate, entail a monthly expense of $14,446.00, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Economy and Efficiency Commission be and it is hereby requested to make an investigation of the duties of the above-mentioned officers and employes of the Senate for the purpose of ascertaining whether all the above employes are necessary in order that the business of this body may be transacted efficiently, or whether in the interest of economy a reduction could not be made in said force of employes or in the salaries paid them, and that a report to the Senate be made not later than March 26, 1917.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be dispensed with, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I see no reason why this resolution should not be disposed of at this time if the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre, will withdraw his motion, and the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, will withdraw his second. I think the resolution should be voted upon and voted down now. We can dispose of it as easily at this time as any other time.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, it appears to me that the Committee on Appropriations and every member of the committee is anxious to save every dollar that can be properly saved to the Commonwealth, and it does appear to me that the Appropriations, better than any other committee of this Senate, can act intelligently and report within a very few days on this resolution. Therefore, I offer the motion in absolutely good faith in order that the Committee on Appropriations might report intelligently on the resolution and report in favor of saving money to the Commonwealth, if it can be done without injury to the proceedings of this Senate.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, understand, I have no objection whatever to an investigation of this subject but I cannot see where the Economy and Efficiency Commission has anything whatever to do with this body. If there are too many employes here, it is a subject for investigation by the Senate itself, and the Economy and Efficiency Commission has nothing whatever to do with it, and on that ground I submit that this resolution ought to be voted on now and voted down, because of the manner in which the resolution is framed.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, before that motion is withdrawn by the gentleman from Chester, I want to sympathize with him in his purpose because I think there should be some inquiry as to how to cut down officers of this sort that are not necessary, and in order to do that, I think we ought to hear from the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives at Washington, who as we all know, have cut down a large number of employes of the administration at Washington during the last four

years. They could give us some pointers on it and it would be a wise thing to refer it to them in order that they could cut down the expenses of the Legislature.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, it occurs to me that the remarks of the distinguished gentleman from Fayette offer all the more reason why this resolution should be given consideration. It is not necessary, if the Committee on Appropriations, in their wisdom, see fit to amend or to make recommendations thereon, that they should report it out as sent to them, they can do it if they please, and if in their wisdom they believe that some of the places can be spared that are now on the roll, they can undoubtedly so recommend.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President. I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be dispensed with, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was not agreed to.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, I ask that the yeas and nays be taken.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I rise to a point of order.

The PRESIDENT. The Senator from Dauphin will state his point of order.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, my point of order is, that the Chair having announced his decision, the call for yeas and nays came too late.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair decides that the point of order raised by the Senator from Dauphin, Mr. Beidleman, is well taken.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REGARDING THE HIGH COST OF FOOD.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the resolution reported this evening from the Committee on Judiciary Special, known as the Glass Resolution, be considered at this time.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was read as follows:

A Concurrent Resolution providing for a commission to investigate and report the increase in the cost of foodstuffs and other necessaries of life and to investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of living; empowering said commission to issue subpoenas and providing for the attendance of witnesses, and the penalty for failure to obey such subpoenas; empowering said commission to work and co-operate with like commissions of adjoining States.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives (if the Senate concur), That a commission consisting of two members of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Governor of this Commonwealth, to serve without compensation, to investigate and report the cause or causes of the increase in the cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life. Said commission shall have power to work an co-operate with like commissions from adjoining States, and shall, in any manner in which it may deem advisable, thoroughly investigate the possibilities through marketing and other facilities of the reduction in the present cost of food-stuffs and other necessaries of life, and said commission shall not be limited in any manner whatsoever in its investigation; said commission shall report to the present session of the Legislature.

For the purpose of enabling said commission to carry out and perform its duties, the said commission shall have the right to sit in any part of this Commonwealth; and shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books, papers, and other evidence, at the meeting of the commission, and for that purpose may issue subpoenas, signed by the president of the commission, and cause the same to be served and executed in any court of this Commonwealth; and if any witness shall refuse to testify any fact within his knowledge, or to produce any books or papers within his possession or under his control the secretary of the commission shall forthwith report the facts of such refusal to the court of common pleas of the county wherein such witness resides, or wherein his attendance was required, and all questions arising upon such refusal shall at once be heard by said court. If the court determines that the testimony or evidence required by such witness is legal and properly competent and ought to be given or produced by him or her, then said court shall make an order commanding such witness to testify or produce books or papers or both, as the case may be; and if such witness shall thereafter refuse to testify or to produce books or papers, as aforesaid, in disobedience of such order of the court, then the said court shall have power to order the recommitment of such witness to the county jail of the proper county for contempt.

The said commission shall have power to call upon the Attorney General for such legal advice as it may require.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I would certainly like to have some explanation as to the purport of the resolution before the Senate, because from the reading of it there are certainly some drastic paragraphs that require some explanation on the part of some Senators.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, for the benefit of the gentlemen of the Senate, this resolution was drawn by a lawyer, a member of the House, for the purpose of making an investigation of the high cost of food stuffs. The resolution passed the House unanimously and came over here and was amended to suit the Committee on Judiciary Special, of which our friend, the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, is a member, and reported out, and that is all I know about the bill. If there is anything too drastic in the bill I am willing that it be cut out. I have no personal interest in it whatever.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, not being at the meeting of the Committee on Judiciary Special when this resolution was considered, I am absolutely unable to give any details as to what took place at the meeting, but when a question so momentous as the food problem of to-day is taken up by two or three members of the House or Senate of this Commonwealth, to report back in the next six or seven weeks, the ridiculousness of the proposition makes me hesitate to vote for it, because it is a problem that is confronting practically the entire world; and if there can be any solution of the high cost of living to-day in the State of Pennsylvania I am of course as ready as one of the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to co-operate, but to say to this Senate that we shall appoint a committee with all the power detailed in that resolution without even a dollar, to be roaming around the Commonwealth for the purpose of investigating conditions, without any result that is going to be a benefit, I of course want to record my vote in opposition simply to be consistent with the absolute impossibility to ascertain any facts that will be a benefit to anyone in this Commonwealth.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I want to repeat, I don't even know what is in the resolution and so that the Senator from Philadelphia may be fully satisfied as to what he is going to vote on when it comes before this body. I move that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special, with a request that it be amended to suit our friend and reported here at to-morrow's session.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PLEDGING SUPPORT TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of Resolution No. 8 of the House of Representatives as amended.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was read as follows:

Whereas The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the Foreign Affairs of the Nation

Therefore Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men women and children and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States working and traveling upon the high seas may be preserved and the dignity and honor of the United States maintained

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered. That the Clerk return the same to the House of Representatives, with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 597, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to preserve the purity of the waters of the State, for the protection of the public health," approved the twenty-second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty); extending the provisions of said act to provide for compensation to the owners of property who may be injured by the operation of said act and prescribing the manner by which said compensation shall be determined.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 489, entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill No. 490, entitled

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property-owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill No. 491, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation the following nominations, made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Justices of the Peace in and for the Borough of Conneautville, County of Crawford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918:

Dexter W. Spalding, vice H. E. Corey, resigned.

Harry L. Bail, vice A. B. Greenfield, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE AT DANVILLE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 8, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, to serve for the term of three years, to compute from February 10, 1917:

W. Field Shay, Watsontown.

Edward Brennan, Shamokin.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

which were laid upon the table.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 276, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree; repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President I ask that Senate Bill No. 119, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 156 entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sones,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Salus,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Martin,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 180, entitled

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHugh, of Weatherly, employed as a Game Warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 213, as follows:

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any county city borough township school district or other muncipality or incorporated district within this Commonwealth to increase its indebtedness under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and under the acts amendatory thereof where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of the increase of indebtedness be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such county city borough township school district or other incorporated district did not by separate and independent action prior to the ordinance or vote in pursuance of which notice of the election was given to the electors signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or did not in the words of the act and amendments aforesaid authorizing such increase signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or where the ballots were not certified or signed by the county commissioners or were not printed on the official ballot after the list of candidates but were printed on separate ballots or where full complete and proper return of the votes was not made to the proper court or counted by the court and notwithstanding any defect or informality in the manner of giving notice of such election and notwithstanding any mistake in stating the amount of percentage of the existing debt or the percentage of the proposed increase All bonds issued or to be issued in pursuance of every such election are hereby made valid binding obligations of every such county city borough township school district or incorporated district Provided All the other requirements of the law concerning such election and issue of bonds have been complied with Provided however that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any case where the issue of bonds pursuant to a special election is now or has been enjoined by a law court of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 228 (House Bill No. 1), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. J. F. GRAFF. Mr. President, this is a bill that affects my county alone. It is a bill that specifically appropriates certain moneys which have already been appropriated to our county to be used on State-aid roads. This bill appropriates the money to be used on an exclusively State road. The author of this bill has attempted to make it appear that I am opposed to this bill. He has importuned a number of the members of this body: he has solicited them and made it strong, even put it so strong as to mean his life or death. I do not know exactly what he means by this, unless it would mean his political life or death. That, however, will be reviewed by his constituents, were he ever to run for office again in the County of Armstrong, and be decided by them. I wish to put myself right before this body, that I object to men of the House of Representatives coming here and soliciting members in such a way as to throw upon the Senators from their particular districts a sort of discredit. I object to this mode of procedure and yet at the same time I want every Senator in this body out of consideration for me, and in courtesy to me, to vote for this bill and pass it unanimously.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I have no interest in this bill, except so far as it will help the Commonwealth to construct good highways. I hold no brief for any member of the House of Representatives. I do think, however, that it is just to the gentleman who solicited votes upon the floor of the Senate in favor of this bill to say that when I was asked to support this bill I was asked to support a bill that the Senator from Armstrong, Mr. Graff, was in favor of, and to help him to pass the bill. When I was solicited to vote for the bill, I wish to assure the Senator from Armstrong, that there was no thought of any political inquest later on; in fact it was done to help the Senator from Armstrong. I do not believe that a Senator should

permit another Senator to be in error, and so far as I am concerned, the Senator from Armstrong is in error about what was said by the man who solicited the votes in favor of this bill.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order.

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 233 (House Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, at the request of the author of this bill, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 2, in line 3, by inserting after the word "individuals" the word "and;" also on page 2, line 3, by striking out the words "right to bring suit hereby given;" also on page 2, by striking out lines 4 and 5 and inserting in lieu thereof the following "defense open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 317, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 318, entitled

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—28.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Vare,
Daix,	Jones,	Smith, W. W.,	Warner,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Wasbers,

NAYS—7.

Croft,	Kline,	McKee,	Whitten,
Haldeman,	Lynch,	Phipps,	

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 342, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motorboats and providing a penalty" giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Martin,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 344, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles;

controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 346, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring counties in certain instances to assist townships of the second class in the construction improvement repair and maintenance of trunk roads and providing the method of procedure.

be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 347, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 21st day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory. building, rooms, or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1887, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sones,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Salus,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Martin,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

RECONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 203.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

was defeated on final passage.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I voted no.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I voted no.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring.

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole beng in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 173, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions" approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen Pamphlet Laws Six Hundred Forty-four

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act of Assembly approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen Pamphlet Laws Six Hundred Forty-four entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions" is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reding.

Agreeably to order.

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 232 (House Bill No. 85), as follows:

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may be lawful

for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of thi statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporation organized under the laws of this State is entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bill to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with.

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 242, as follows:

An Act amending an act approved the ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing" by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing" which reads as follows

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations created by or under the laws of any other State doing business in this State and in which three or more of the stockholders are citizens of this State and which are embraced within corporations of the second class defined in section two (2) of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" may become corporations of this State under the provisions of said last mentioned act by preparing having approved and recorded a certificate in which shall be stated

First The name of the corporation

Second Its purpose

Third The place or places where its business is to be transacted

Fourth The term for which it is to exist

Fifth The names and residences of the stockholders and the number of shares held by each

Sixth The number of its directors and the names and residences of those elected for the current year

Seventh The amount of its capital stock and the number and par value of the shares into which it is divided

Eighth The legislation under which it was originally created

Ninth Its financial condition at the date of the certificate showing capital stock paid in funded debt floating debt estimated value of property and cash assets if any

Said certificate shall be accompanied by a certificate under the seal of the corporation showing the consent of a majority in interest of such corporation to such application for a charter and to a renunciation of its original charter and of all privileges not enjoyed by corporations of its class under the laws of this Commonwealth

Section 2 Said certificate shall be acknowledged by at least three of the directors of said corporation before the recorder of deeds of the county in which the chief operations are to be carried on or in which the principal office is situated and said directors shall also make and subscribe an oath or affirmation before him to be endorsed on the said certificate that the statements contained therein are true The said certificate shall then be produced to the Governor of this Commonwealth who shall examine the same and if he find it to be in proper form and within the purposes named for corporations of the second class in the said second section of said act of April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four before mentioned he shall approve thereof and endorse his approval thereon and direct letters patent to issue in the usual form incorporating said stockholders and their successors into a body politic and corporate in deed and in law by the name chosen and the said certificate shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth in a book to be by him kept for that purpose and he shall forthwith furnish the Auditor General an abstract therefrom showing the name location amount of capital stock and name and address of the treasurer of such corporation the said original certificate with all its endorsements shall then be recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in and for the county where the chief operations are to be carried on

Section 3 From the date of said letters patent said corporation shall be and exist as a corporation of this Commonwealth under the provisions of law regulating corporations of its class and of its charter and all of the rights privileges powers immunities lands property and assets of whatever kind or character the same may be possessed and owned by the original corporation shall vest in and be owned and enjoyed by the said corporation so created as fully and with like effect as if its original charter had remained in force save as by general law and said certificate expressly stated otherwise and all suits claims and demands by said corporation in existence at the date of said new charter shall and may be sued prosecuted and collected under the laws governing the said corporation prior to its new charter and claims and demands of every nature and character in existence at the date of said new charter may be collected from and of said new chartered corporation as fully and with like effect as if no change had taken place" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations created by or under the laws of any other state doing business in this State and in which three or more of the stockholders are citizens of this State and which are embraced within corporations of the second class defined in section two (2) of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" or its supplements after first causing publication to be made in at least one newspaper of general circulation and the legal periodical if any designated by the rules of court for the publication of legal notices in the county of this Commonwealth where its principal business is to be transacted in the manner and form now required by law of notice of intention to apply for a charter of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth said notices to be published at least once a week for three weeks prior to the approval and formal recording of their certificate may become corporations of this State under the provisions of said last mentioned act or its supplements by preparing having approved and recorded a certificate in which shall be stated

First The name of the corporation

Second Its purpose

Third The place or places where its business is to be transacted

Fourth The term for which it is to exist

Fifth The names and residences of the stockholders and the number of shares held by each

Sixth The number of its directors and the names and residences of those elected for the current year

Seventh The amount of its capital stock and the number and par value of the shares into which it is divided

Eighth The legislation under which it was originally created

Ninth Its financial condition at the date of the certificate showing capital stock paid in funded debt floating debt estimated value of property and cash assets if any

Said certificate shall be accompanied by a certificate under the seal of the corporation showing the consent of a majority in interest of such corporation to such application for a charter and to a renunciation of its original charter and of all privileges not enjoyed by corporations of its class under the laws of this Commonwealth

Section 2 Said certificates shall be acknowledged by at least three of the directors of said corporation before any person having authority by the laws of this Commonwealth to take such acknowledgment and said directors shall also make and subscribe an oath or affirmation before him to be endorsed on the said certificate that the statements contained therein are true The said certificate shall then be produced to the Governor of this Commonwealth who shall examine the same and if he find it to be in proper form and within the purposes named for corporations of the second class in the said second section of said Act of April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four or its supplements before mentioned he shall approve thereof and endorse his approval thereon and direct letters patent to issue in the usual form incorporating said stockholders and their successors into a body politic and corporate in deed and in law by the name chosen and the said certificate shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth in a book to be by him kept for that purpose and he shall forthwith furnish the Auditor General an abstract therefrom showing the name location amount of capital stock and name and address of the treasurer of such corporation the said

original certificate with all its endorsements shall then be recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in and for the county where its principal business is to be transacted

Section 3 From the date of said letters patent said corporation shall be and exist as a corporation of this Commonwealth under the provisions of law regulating corporations of its class and of its charter and all of the rights privileges powers immunities lands property and assets of whatever kind or character the same may be possessed and owned by the original corporation shall vest in and be owned and enjoyed by the said corporation so created as fully and with like effect as if its original charter had remained in force save as by general law and said certificate expressly stated otherwise and all suits claims and demands by said corporation in existence at the date of said new charter shall and may be sued prosecuted and collected under the laws governing the said corporation prior to its new charter and claims and demands of every nature and character in existence at the date of said new charter may be collected from and of said new chartered corporation as fully and with like effect as if no change has taken place and in making settlement for bonus if any then due the Commonwealth at the date of said letters patent said new chartered corporation shall be entitled to credit for all bonus theretofore paid by said original corporation upon the amount of its capital employed within this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 247, as follows:

An Act to fix the salary of the Commission Clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the annual salary of the Commission Clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth is hereby fixed at twenty-two hundred ($2,200) dollars to be paid semi-monthly on warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reding.

Agreeably to order.

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 285, entitled

An Act for the printing binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department" and making an appropriation.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Superintendent of the Department of Public Printing and Binding is hereby directed to cause to be immediately printed and bound in buckram five thousand copies of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney Generals Department" recently prepared by the Attorney General's Department of this Commonwealth

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 Copies of such analytical index shall be distributed through the Division of Distribution of Documents on written order or requisition addressed to the Chief of the Division by the official or person entitled thereto and in the same manner as public documents are now generally distributed to such Division

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 3, by striking out the word "to" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "by"

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 One copy of the analytical index shall be sent by such Division to each judge district attorney borough solicitor city solicitor county solicitor state official county law library and public library of this Commonwealth The Legislative Reference Bureau and the State Library may each requsition fifty copies The remaining copies shall be distributed by such Division upon the requisition or order of the Attorney General's Department

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 2, line 6, by striking out "solocitor" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "solicitor."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows, and agreed to:

Section 4 The sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Public Printing and Binding for the purposes herein provided which appropriation shall be immediately available upon the approval of this act

The money hereby appropriated shall also be available to pay any expense already incurred in the printing and binding of a sufficient number of copies of the index for the information of and distribution among the members of the General Assembly.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act for the printing binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department" and making an appropriation

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 36, entitled

An Act regulating the deposit of moneys belonging to the several counties of the Commonwealth in the banking institutions thereof, and providing for the collection of interest thereon.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 132, entitled

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 136, entitled

An Act requiring the inspection of all stationary steam engines and steam boilers in cities of the first class by the Bureau of Steam Engine and Boiler Inspection in said cities and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 136, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 137, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 171, entitled

A Supplement to the act of April 28, 1899, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," providing for the election of a township solicitor in townships of the first class, fixing his term of office, prescribing his duties and qualifications, and authorizing the board of township commissioners to fix his compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 223 (House Bill No. 134), entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster Lancaster County to sue the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 231 (House Bill No. 52), entitled

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act entitled "To amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States," approved the twenty-fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act to provide for the better financial management of cities of the first class by requiring the mayor to submit to councils an annual budget; compelling the heads of city departments, all city officers, boards, commissions and committees, certain other officers, boards, commissions, committees and bodies and certain courts to furnish to the mayor certain information, estimates and recommendations; requiring councils to consider the budget when presented and thereafter in one ordinance to authorize the city and the various departments, officers, boards, commissions, committees, courts and other bodies designated herein to incur liability for certain purposes and within certain amounts and to fix the tax rate or rates for the ensuing year; and providing that the city controller shall countersign warrants or checks for the purposes and within the amounts specified in any ordinance authorizing liability to be incurred without an appropriation or the specific setting aside of money therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 250, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Affairs for the purpose of hearing.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 263, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties boroughs townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof" by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time.
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 302 (House Bill No. 217), entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five," entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships in this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 326, entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents, defining its powers and duties, regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 338, entitled

An Act to provide for the licensing, registering and regulating of all persons, institutions, corporations, associations or societies, who receive, board or keep children under the age of fourteen (14) years, in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth, giving to the Board of Health of said cities the right and power to adopt rules and regulations relative to the keeping of children, defining the term "person" as used in the act, and providing for the punishment of the superintendent, manager, person in charge, officers and directors of any institution, association or corporation, violating this act or the rules and regulations made thereunder by making the violation thereof a misdemeanor and prescribing the penalty therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time.
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 352, entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to enlarge cemeteries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 355, entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915 by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts, and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act; and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order.
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 356, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 360, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five, section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to abolish the office of associate judge not learned in the law.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers, reviewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirtieth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-two.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 365, entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny," approved the eighth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred fifty-five.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the Counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York, Mercer, Union, Huntingdon, Luzerne and Schuylkill," approved the fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred thirty-two in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny.

And said bill having been read at length the first time.
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 370, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act relating to unused streets, lanes and alleys," approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 371, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants, drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 372, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county," approved the twenty-second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 373, entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny County, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny, incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company, relative to fishing

with nets in the Monongahela River, authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown, relative to miners in Schuylkill County, legitimatizing James C. Collins, relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order.
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 377, entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, giving the courts power to enforce its provisions" approved the 14th day of May, Anna Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 378, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, and not more than one million two hundred thousand, inhabitants, to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of female children under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts, and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishment, maintenance, and management thereof," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 385 (House Bill No. 120), entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 386 (House Bill No. 270), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended, providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 387 (House Bill No. 141), entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered. To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 390 (House Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an Act of Congress approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 392 (House Bill No. 111), entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order.
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 397 (House Bill No. 432), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 399 (House Bill No. 618), entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 400 (House Bill No. 724), entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 468, entitled

An Act to enable two or more boroughs that are contiguous or in close proximity to be united and to become one city, wherever each of said boroughs shall have heretofore voted or shall hereafter vote to become a city of the third class, under laws now enacted or which may hereafter be enacted and wherever each of said boroughs has duly received or shall hereafter duly receive letters patent constituting it a city of the third class, but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed after the granting of such letters patent for the holding of a municipal election; providing for the consequences of such consolidation the government of such consolidated city, the payment of the indebtedness of each of the united territories and the enforcement of debts and claims due to and from each; and fixing the jurisdiction over the said consolidated city in the courts of the county in which the majority of its inhabitants shall reside.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 487 entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 492, entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 504, entitled

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 520, entitled

An Act relating to the service of the libel and subpoena in proceedings for divorce from the bonds of matrimony in this State, and determining the effect to be given in this State to decrees of divorce granted by the court of a foreign state or country.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President I move that Senate Bill No. 309 (House Bill No. 349), entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal for the payment of the salary of the first second third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto for the services of clerks for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson for the payment of costs and witness fees the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

be read the first time.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 309 (House Bill No. 349), entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy State fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal, for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,
A motion was made by Mr. CROW,
That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor, to lie on the table one day be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.
Which was agreed to.
Whereupon,
A motion was made by Mr. CROW,
That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the motion?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Schantz,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act defining cold storage and regulating time of storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

be read the first time.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act defining cold storage and regulating time of storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.
Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.
The Senate adjourned at 10.55 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, March 20, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, March 19, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

Rabbi Louis J. Haas offered the following prayer:

O Lord, Thou who rulest the universe and the destinies thereof, we invoke Thy blessing upon this session of this legislative body. We invoke Thy blessing upon its members, upon those who have assembled here to consider the

welfare of the men, women and children of this broad and spacious Commonwealth. Impress upon them the fact that theirs is neither an easy nor simple task, but one of great responsibility and extreme obligation. Impress upon them the sacredness of the mission upon which they have been sent to these legislative halls, and the importance, yea, the necessity of devoting their whole mind, their whole heart and their whole soul to the duties and tasks assigned unto them.

Inspire these legislators to consider earnestly and zealously the requirements and needs of our Commonwealth, and enable them to enact a constructive program of legislation. Cause them to consider and always place foremost in their proceedings and deliberations the interests of their constituents. Cause them to consider the extreme power vested in them by legislation. Cause them to take advantage of the many opportunities to advance and further the interests of this great and glorious Commonwealth. Help them to strive and aim ever for a bigger, better and a nobler Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Bestow Thy blessing upon the Governor and the officials, upon the Speaker of the House, upon the wives and families of the members of this legislative body, and upon all the citizens of this State.

In this critical hour, most gracious God, we pray most fervently for the welfare of our country. Send down Thy guidance and Thy wisdom upon the Chief Executive of our land. Guide him aright through Thine own good counsel. Be Thou a shield about him. Be Thou a shield about us. Remove from us every enemy, pestilence, sword, famine and sorrow. Remove from us and from before us every adversary, and also from behind us. Guard Thou our going out and our coming in, now and forever more. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of March 14, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of March 14, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Curry, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITION FAVORING LIBERAL APPROPRIATION TO THE VILLAGE FOR FEEBLE MINDED WOMEN AT LAURELTON, UNION COUNTY.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of citizens of Delaware County praying for a liberal appropriation to the Village for Feeble Minded Women of child bearing age at Laurelton, Union County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. GANS (By request). House Bill No. 960.

An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the deposit of dirt, refuse or rubbish upon pavements, public highways or streets; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 961.

A Supplement to an act approved the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act requiring written notice to be served upon supervisors of the proposed opening and construction of new roads for public use, and of views, reviews and re-reviews in connection with such proposed new roads," as amended by an act approved the twenty-ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act requiring written notice to be served upon supervisors, of the proposed opening and construction of new roads for public use, and of views, reviews and re-reviews in connection with such proposed new roads,' approved the second day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, so as to require notice to be served on the supervisors of the territory through which the proposed public road is to pass, of the time and place of the appointment of viewers, reviewers, and re-reviewers to lay out the same, and of the time and place of their meetings," requiring petitioners for roads to give bond for the payment of costs.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 962.

An Act to prohibit the letting of prison labor by contract, to regulate the employment of prisoners in all county prisons and reformatories, regulating the disposition of the products of prison labor, and providing penalty for its violation.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 963.

An Act making an appropriation to the First Allegheny Day Nursery and Temporary Home for Children, Pittsburgh.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 964.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Sunshine Children's Home, located at 3523 California Avenue, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HORTON. House Bill No. 965.

An Act making an appropriation to the Cottage State Hospital, Cottage Avenue, Connellsville, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PERRY. House Bill No. 966.

An Act to repeal an act approved the eleventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "Supplement to an act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor in the Townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the County of Philadelphia, approved April eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and seven, authorizing the directors of said poor house to borrow money."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. PERRY. House Bill No. 967.

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fouth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, entitled "An Further Supplement to the act incorporating the Directors of the Poor and House of Employment for the Townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the County of Philadelphia."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. PERRY. House Bill No. 968.

An Act to repeal an act approved the eleventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor in the Townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the County of Philadelphia."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 969.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three, entitled "An Act providing for the acquisition by the State of certain ground at Valley Forge for a public park, and making an appropriation therefor," as amended, by providing for the acquisition of additional land by the Valley Forge Park Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BOUTON. House Bill No. 970.

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to appoint additional officers and employes in the Bureau of Meditation and Arbitration of the Department of Labor and Industry; fixing their duties and increasing the salary of the chief of the Bureau of Meditation and Arbitration.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 971.

An Act making an appropriation to the Waynesburg College, an institution of learning providing co-education in the arts and science, et cetera.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. House Bill No. 972.

An Act to further amend an act approved the third day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to rebuild county bridges over navigable rivers and other streams which have been declared public highways by Act of Assembly, where such bridges have been destroyed by flood, fire, or other casualty; providing for the appointment of viewers and inspectors and the payment of the cost of rebuilding such bridges."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 973.

An Act authorizing the sale of certain property owned by the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and providing for the use of the proceeds of such sale.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 974.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the Pennsylvania State College for the purpose of erecting a fire-proof drill-hall and armory.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HEFFERNAN. House Bill No. 975.

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia Home for Infants, located at four thousand six hundred eighteen, Westminster Avenue, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 976.

An Act to amend part of section three of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act relating to food; defining food; providing for the protection of the public health, and the prevention of fraud and deception, by prohibiting the manufacture or sale, the offering for sale or exposing for sale, or the having in possession with intent to sell, of adulterated, misbranded, or deleterious foods; prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 977.

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the maintenance, care and treatment of the indigent insane in county and local institutions," as amended, by increasing the weekly sum, therein authorized to be paid, from two dollars to two dollars and fifty cents.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. URICH. House Bill No. 978.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Livestock Sanitary Board for the purpose of reimbursing certain owners of animals destroyed during the recent epidemic of the foot and mouth disease.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 979.

An Act making an appropriation to the Harrisburg Poyl-clinic Hospital of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 980.

An Act making an appropriation to the Woman's Union Day Nursery, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CROSBY. House Bill No. 981.

An Act to further amend Section fourteen of the act entitled, "An Act to regulate the nomination and election of public officers, requiring certain expenses incident thereto to be paid by the several counties, and punishing certain offenses in regard to such elections," approved the tenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, as amended by an act approved the ninth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and as further amended by an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and three, by abolishing the party-square on the ballot.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. CROSBY. House Bill No. 982.

An Act providing for a recount by the County Commissioners and, upon appeal, by the Court of Common Pleas, of the votes in any election precinct, division or district, in any county, authorizing the Court of Common Pleas to hold election officers to answer to the district attorney under certain circumstances, also requiring the district attorney to present indictments against such election officers to the grand jury.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. VOGDES. House Bill No. 983.

An Act making an appropriation to the West Philadelphia Hospital for Women, in the City of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McKINNEY. House Bill No. 984.

An Act to amend part of section four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class."

Referred to the Committee an Counties and Townships.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 985.

An Act providing for the establishment of auxiliary State game preserves.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 986.

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Department of Agriculture.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 987.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh for the general maintenance of and purchase of equipment for the University, the maintenance of the Summer School, the Extension Work, the Research Work, the Library, including the purchase of books, and for the construction of buildings.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 988.

An Act providing that whenever the charter of any borough is annulled, the territory embraced within the borough whose charter is annulled shall become a township of the same name and subject to the laws governing townships in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Muncipal Corporations.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 989.

An Act amending Section 21 of Article 1, Chapter 3, of an act, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," approved the 14th day of May, 1915, P. L. 312.

Referred to the Committee on Muncipal Corporations.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 990.

An Act regulaitng the collection of taxes in the several townships, boroughs, incorporated towns and cities of the second and third class of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Muncipal Corporations.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 991.

An Act authorizing and empowering the State Highway Commissioner to take over abandoned rights of way or any part or parts thereof owned or controlled by railroad or railway companies, for the use of the State Highway Department, for the purpose of locating or relocating and constructing State Highways, and providing a method of acquiring the same.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 992.

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the Engineering and Electrical Departments in cities of the third class; constituting a Civil Service Board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations; the

manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said departments, and providing a method for fixing compensation of examiners.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 993.

An Act making an appropriation to St. Joseph's Protectory, Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 994.

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act authorizing the employment of stenographers by the district attorneys of certain counties, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 995.

An Act to prohibit the killing of foxes by certain methods in York County, and fixing a penalty for violation of the act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BALDRIDGE. House Bill No. 996.

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act authorizing boroughs to redeem outstanding bonds, and for that purpose to issue and sell new interest-bearing bonds, and to provide a fund for the redemption thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 1031.

A Supplement to an act, approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 396), entitled "An Act creating a Department of Labor and Industry, defining its powers and duties; establishing an Industrial Board; providing for the appointment of a Commissioner of Labor, inspectors, statisticians, clerks, and others to enforce the provisions of this act, and providing salaries for the same; prescribing a standard of reasonable and adequate protection to be observed in the rooms, buildings, and places where labor is employed; empowering the said Industrial Board to make, alter, amend and repeal rules and regulations relating thereto; transferring the powers and duties of the Department of Factory Inspection to the Department of Labor and Industry, and abolishing the Department of Factory Inspection; and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act, or the rules and regulations of the said board," authorizing the Industrial Board to adopt a seal; and providing that certified copies of all records, documents and rulings of said board shall be received in evidence.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 426.

An Act to amend section five of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates for such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, as amended by an act approved the eighteenth day of June, A. D. 1915.

Re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 425.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, and heretofore amended.

Re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 513.

An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of poisonous fly paper or other poisonous fly killer, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Re-referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr REITZEL, from the Committee on Military, reported as amended House Bill No. 612, entitled

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 924, entitled

An Act preventing tampering with, visiting or conversing with any juror summoned for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 735, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners, county jailor, and jail physician, in counties having over eight hundred thousand, and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, according to the last preceding United States census."

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 738, entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads, improved and maintained by such counties, the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth, for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads, and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon, and for the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers, and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 449, entitled

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth.

Mr. JONES, from the committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 482, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act creating a Sinking-fund Commission, in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants; prescribing its powers and duties; and repealing acts inconsistent herewith," approved the first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Mr. ROBERTSON, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported as committed House Bill No. 649, entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the Authracite Coal Region, and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Mr. WICKMAN, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as amended House Bill No. 494, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," as amended, by removing the exemption granted corporations, limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes; and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations, limited partnerships, and joint stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes, and appropriating the same for State and State-aid highway purposes.

Mr. DAWSON, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 384, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over."

Mr. DEAN, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 170, entitled

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act, approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, entitled, "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

Mr. POWELL, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 951, entitled

An Act amending section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners, the county solicitor, and the chief clerk to the county commissioners, of each county, to organize themselves into a State Association, for the purpose of holding annual meetings, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof," approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum.

Mr. CANON, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 905, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor, for the purpose of registration of voters, in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

Mr. RUDDY, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 773, entitled

An Act authorizing directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care, treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

Mr. RUDDY, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 409, entitled

An Act to compel land owners in townships of the second class to clear the highways abutting on their land of brush and trees; and imposing certain duties and liabilities on township supervisors.

Mr. RUDDY, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a popualtion of less than one hundred fifty thousand.

Mr. SPEICHER, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 694, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four), entitled "An Act providing for the original location, laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of this Commonwealth, and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein; making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads; authorizing the relocation, opening, straightening, widening, extension and alteration of the same, and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor, and the payment of damages resulting from such taking, and the manner in which such damages may be determined; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough, and apportioning the cost of such improvement; and authorizing the vacation of any county road;" authorizing boroughs, towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways.

Mr. RININGER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 734, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 864, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An Act relating to the collection of taxes in the county of Indiana," and supplements and amendments thereto.

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 855, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A Further Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise."

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 856, entitled

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousnad eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane, to be called the State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania, and making an appropriation therefor," as amended, fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

Mr. GOODNOUGH, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 787 (Senate Bill No. 190), entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

Mr. GOODNOUGH, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 788 (Senate Bill No. 191), entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofiing materials and building papers or products and by-products of coal tar and asphalt.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 499 (Senate Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

Mr. McCAIG, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 424 (Senate Bill No. 9), entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

Mr. LAULER, from the Committee on Military, reported as committed House Bill No. 510 (Senate Bill No. 126), entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families, and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities, organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 423 (Senate Bill No. 96), entitled

An Act to amend section nine of Article VII of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 785 (Senate Bill No. 188), entitled

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 786 (Senate Bill No. 189), entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements.

Mr. RICH, from the Committee on Military, reported as committed House Bill No. 620, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States, from Pennsylvania, in the Civil War; and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 620, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of soldiers, sailors and marines, who served in the army or navy of the United States, from Pennsylvania, in the Civil War; and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. C. A. SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
The motion was agreed to.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO LAST DAY FOR INTRODUCING BILLS.

Mr. LANIUS offered the following resolution which was twice read by the Clerk:

Resolved, That Tuesday, April 17, be fixed as the last day for the introduction of bills in this House, and that the standing committee of this House be and are hereby directed to report to the House on or before Tuesday, May 1, all original bills in their possession.

The SPEAKER. The resolution lies over under the rules.

RESOLUTIONS.

GRANTING USE OF HALL OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. STERN asked and received unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be reserved on Wednesday night, March 21, from eight until ten o'clock, for the showing of the motion picture "The People versus John Doe."

GRANTING USE OF HALL OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. HESS asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be given for the exhibition of the latest in photographic art, motion pictures and music on the evening of Wednesday, March 28, 1917 at eight o'clock.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

Mr. CHESTNUT offered the following resolution which was twice read by the Clerk:

Whereas, The payrolls certified to the State Treasurer show that eleven officers and 109 employes are retained in the service of the State by reason of the fact that the House in the General Assembly is now in session, and

Whereas, Economy and efficiency in the public service is not only desirable from the standpoint of good government but absolutely essential by reason of the ever-increasing demands being made upon the revenues of the Commonwealth, and

Whereas, The payrolls as certified to the State Treasurer show that there are retained in the State service by reason of the apparent requirements of the House, the following officers and employes:

Speaker (additional salary),	$ 5 a day
Chief Clerk,	5,000 a year
Resident Clerk,	3,600 a year
Assistant Clerk,	1,800 a session
Assistant Resident Clerk,	1,800 a session
Journal Clerk,	1,800 a session
Assistant Journal Clerk,	1,500 a session
Reading Clerk,	1,800 a session
Assistant Reading Clerk,	1,500 a session
Two desk clerks,	1,500 a session
Chief official reporter,	15 a day
Four official reporters,	12 a day
Five expert typewriters,	6 a day
Two clerks,	7 a day
Two proofreaders,	6 a day
Two copyholders,	4 a day
Message Clerk,	8 a day
Eight transcribing clerks,	7 a day
Sergeant-at-arms,	8 a day
Chief assistant sergeant-at-arms,	7 a day
Sixteen assistant sergeants-at-arms,	7 a day
Postmaster,	7 a day
Assistant Postmaster,	6 a day
Messenger,	6 a day
Three assistant messengers,	6 a day
Superintendent of folding room,	6 a day
Eight pasters and folders,	6 a day
Speaker's Clerk,	7 a day
Stenographer to Speaker,	6 a day
Stenographer to Chief Clerk,	6 a day
Stenographer to Resident Clerk,	7 a day
Chaplain,	7 a day
Chief watchman,	8 a day
Night watchman,	6 a day
Three clerks to committees,	7 a day
Ten stenographers,	7 a day
Two custodians of committee rooms,	6 a day
Elevator operator,	6 a day
Assistant elevator operator,	6 a day
Custodian of washroom,	6 a day
Superintendent of storerooms,	7 a day
Four janitors,	3 a day
Speaker's page,	3 a day
Chief page,	3 a day
Twenty pages,	2 a day

Whereas, These employes, together with the officers of the House, entail a monthly expense of $21,176.67, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Economy and Efficiency Commission is requested to supply this body, reporting not later than March 26, whether or not the above mentioned officers and employes of the House are needed in order that the business of this House may be transacted efficiently and whether or not some reductions might not be made in the force in the interests of economy.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, several positions named in this resolution are already provided for in the Act of 1915. It occurs to me that it is not for the Economy and Efficiency Commission to tell this House how many employes shall be on the payroll. That is a question for the members to determine for themselves. If the gentleman that introduced this resolution feels that this House is over-officered and in order to give him an opportunity to prepare and introduce a bill with his views of the matter, I would move that this resolution be laid on the table.

Mr. ALBEE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 414, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation and prescribing and de-

fining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a public service commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or aboltion ,and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested, the State or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing the terms, salaries and compensation of the members of the commssion, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas, and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions, mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission, and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled, 'To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars; and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the proviso of clause seven of section thirty-four of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act;" providing for switch and other connection between the lines of street railway companies and railway lines owned, leased or operated by municipal corporations, when required by the Public Service Commission; providing for the establishment of through routes and joint rates over such connecting lines; and prescribing and defining the duties of the Public Service Commission relating to such connections, through routes and joint rates.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 488, entitled

An Act providing for leave to pay fines and costs in criminal proceedings by installments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 176, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred nineteen) entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties, providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 852, entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 633, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds; providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture, and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 876, entitled

An Act to authorize the revising, editing and printing of fifteen thousand copies of Bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six, entitled "Swine Husbandry," issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 799, entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the court of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 875, entitled

An Act to authorize the revising, editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hundred and one, entitled "Market Gardening," issued by the Department of Agriculture, and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-seven), entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease and the compensation therefor."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 439, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 843, entitled

An Act authorizing Edward Fay and Son, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 451, entitled

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds of certain life insurance and annuity contracts bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 770, entitled

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners' inquests and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 815, entitled

An Act authorizing Wilbur Jones Kay, Fanny Kay, his wife, Ellingwood Kay, Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay, their children, residents of the Boroughs of East Washington and Mabel Mason, resident of the Borough of Washington ,all of Washington County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 942 (Senate Bill No. 157), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 782 (Senate Bill No. 144), entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 780 (Senate Bill No. 106), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to validate all sales, public and private, and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphan's courts upon petition of executors or administrators," approved the tenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 508 (Senate Bill No. 114) ,entitled

An Act validating proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, defining and declaring the interest that shall descent to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate,' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders," approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four) extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 496 (Senate Bill No. 16), entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," in relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 328 (Senate Bill No. 8), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 336 (Senate Bill No. 49), entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 461, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven) entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven) entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all persons or corporations dealing in milk or any of its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class shall hereafter pay into the Buerau of Health the sum of five dollars ($5) which shall thereupon entitle said dealer to a license authorizing him to deal in milk and its fluid derivatives in said city of the first class said license to be issued by the Bureau of Health of said city upon the payment of the aforesaid sum Each dealer so licensed shall be given a number a record of which shall be kept in the Bureau of Health and said license shall be conspicuously displayed in the dealer's chief place of business Provided however That all persons or corporations who sell milk and its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class but whose chief place of business shall be outside of such city shall place the number of said license in a conspicuous place on all vehicles used by them for the sale of milk" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all persons or corporations dealing in milk or any of its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class shall hereafter pay annually into the Bureau of Health the sum of two dollars which shall thereupon entitle said dealer to a license authorizing him to deal in milk and its fluid derivatives in said city of the first class during the then current year said license to be issued by the Bureau of Health of said city upon the payment of the aforesaid sum Each dealer so licensed shall be given a number a record of which shall be kept in the Bureau of Health and said license shall be conspicuously displayed in the dealers chief place of business Provided however That all persons or corporations who sell milk and its fluid derivatives in any city of the first class but whose chief place of business shall be outside of such city shall place the number of said license in a conspicuous place on all vehicles used by them for the sale of milk

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would like the sponsor to explain this bill.

Mr. FRANKLIN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this is one of the all-Philadelphia bills. The Department of Milk Inspection in Philadelphia is run at an expense of eighteen thousand dollars a year. The present law provides an annual license fee of five dollars. This bill changes the license fee to two dollars yearly. All the provisions of the old bill are the same. The bill is one of the Philadelphia revenue bills.

On the question recurring?

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKay,	Sarig,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Scott,
Baker,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Bell,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Black,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Hess,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Stites,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Christman,	Horne,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hough,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cook,	Jack,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Lafferty,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Weimer,
Dale,	Lauler,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Richards,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dean,	Malie,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Mangan,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Ross,	Wood,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Drake,	McCaig,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Sampsel,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 608, as follows:

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Harry C. Swift of the County of Bedford is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Bedford County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally due to said Harry C Swift for personal injuries sustained by said Harry C Swift upon State Highway Route number forty-six near Riddlesburg in the said County of Bedford which State highway is subject to the maintenance supervision and control of the Commonwealth or its agency the State Highway Department

Section 2 This suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleadings and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—189.

Albee,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aron,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Aston,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Horne,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Horton,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hough,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Isherwood,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Jack,	Powell,	Taylor,
Clements,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Kennedy,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Cook,	Lafferty,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Lanius,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rich,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Richards,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dean,	Luppert,	Rinn,	West,
Dell,	Malie,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wood,

Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McKay,	Scott,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Flynn,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 364, on page 7 of to-day's calendar bill on final passage postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No 364, entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of the stock of merchandise and fixtures or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business; providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I move the vote by which this bill passed third reading be reconsidered.

Mr. MILNER. Mr. Speaker I second the motion.

The motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring.

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, when this bill was last before the House I interrogated to some extent the sponsor of the bill, Mr. Stadtlander. Since that time and the placing of this bill on the postponed calendar I have examined it further and am satisfied in my own mind that it is a piece of very vicious legislation. The Bulk Sales Act of 1905 apparently answers its purpose satisfactorily. This bill, No. 364, places a burden upon the vendee on the purchase by sale in bulk which it seems to me should not be placed. The second section of the act provides for the giving of ten days' notice by the purchaser to the creditors of the vendor, does not place this requirement upon the vendor but upon the vendee. Section 3 provides that "whenever any person shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods, fixtures, wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk," etc., "without paying or seeing to it that the purchase money of said property is applied to the payment of the bona fide claims of the creditors of the vendor pro rata as shown upon such verified statement," then the sale is fraudulent. In my opinion it places a burden upon the vendee which is very stringent and which will to a large extent stop the sale in bulk of small stores and small businesses. For that reason I shall vote against the bill.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, in defense of this bill, I want to say that the act of 1905 is ineffective. It does not provide for any penalties. The men who have been crooked in his dealings, has slipped through that act. This act has been very carefully prepared. It is the product of the minds of men who are engaged along that line of work. The act of 1905 provides for five days' notice. If a creditor lived on the coast of California five days notice was insuffcient time. The time has been extended, the present bill, I mean, extends the time to ten days, giving sufficient time to reach all parties. It further provides that the terms not expressly as stated in the contract, but the substance thereof, the consideration, shall be sent out to the creditors. This is a very wise provision, I can explain just in one brief moment exactly what occurred in my line of practice. I will give an illustration, not using exact sums. A goes to B and offers to sell his place of business. He is offered $10,000 for his place. B, the purchaser, sends out notices that he has purchased, as required by the act of 1905. A immediately goes to his creditors and he says: "I am securing $4,000 for the place." He has creditors to the amount of $6,000. He says, now if you will agree to compromise, I will pay 66 2-3 cents on the dollar. The creditors realizing that if they do not accept he will go into bankruptcy and they will possibly get 30 or 40 cents on the dollar, accept. The case came back to me and this is what happened. I was complimented by one of the creditors on the terms of the sale. He said, "You did a good piece of work." I asked, "Why?" "Why," he said, "we got 66 2-3 cents on the dollar, and we didn't expect it." I said "You were foolish. You could have gotten one hundred cents on the dollar." This act prevents crookedness in the line of sales in bulk.

Now the question of making the vendee the trutsee. I will say, that whenever creditors receive notice that a certain sale is taking place on a certain day, the creditors all appear and they take over the money if it pays one hundred cents on a dollar; if it does not, then all the creditors act as judge and jury and the vendee has nothing to do but follow the wishes of the creditors. If any of the creditors under this act shall refuse the sale is not consummated. Therefore I ask that every member in the House vote for this bill.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I should like to interrogate the sponsor of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Stadtlander, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, do I understand that it is the gentleman's opinion that the act of 1905 contains no penalty in case of fraudulent statements by the vendor.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I think you will find that the decisions are to that effect; that it is inapplicable.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, the act recites that he is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, under certain provisions of the act which he must follow, he sends out notices. If he has done that, that is all that is required under the act of 1905.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, does not the act provide that he is guilty of a misdemeanor if he makes a false statement?

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, if he makes a false statement, that is true

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—166.

Aron,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,
Arthur,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, J. W.,
Aston,	Golder,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Baker,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldi,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Snowden,
Baldridge,	Graeff,	Morgan, T.,	Somerman,
Barner,	Graham,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Bell,	Gransback,	Murdoch,	Spangler,
Benchoff,	Haight,	Murphy,	Speicher,
Bennett,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Sprowls,
Benninger,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Steedle,
Bidelspacher,	Helt,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Black,	Hess,	Patterson,	Stern,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Powell,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Taylor,
Conner,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Thomas,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wagner,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rininger,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Malie,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Dean,	Mangan,	Ross,	Wells,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	West,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wickman,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Williams, G. W.
Dunn,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Williams, J. P.,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wobensmith,
Fackler,	McKay,	Scott,	Wood,
Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Woodward,
Flynn,	Mearkle,	Shattuck,	Wylie,
Fowler,	Mehring,	Shunk,	Wynne,
Franklin,	Mervine,	Simpson,	Zanders,
Fretz,	Michel,	Sinclair,	Baldwin,
Gans,	Miller, Allan,		Speaker.

NAYS—15.

Albee,	Corbin,	Hoffman,	Phillips,
Boulton, H.,	Eby,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,
Campbell, J. O.,	Goodnough,	Lanius,	Siggins,
Canon,	Hibshman,	McKinney,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 282, File Folio 267, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties" approved the twenty-fourth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I fail to understand the purpose of the bill, for the reason that I see no advantage here in the protection of the taxpayer. This bill opens up the door of the present act, which was intended, and wisely intended and passed by this body for the purpose of protecting the taxpayer. Now, why should we open up the door here and allow the expenditure of one to five hundred dollars for publication. Is not that money just as good, and that sum just as valuable to the taxpayer, as any larger sum of money? The purpose of the controller is as a check upon the expenditure of the money of the taxpayer that is in the County Treasurer. Now, they propose here to remove that check. I certainly feel, Mr. Speaker, and members of this House, that this is absolutely wrong. What we want is to have more checks upon the County Treasury, and not open the doors that the money may flow therefrom without investigation or inspection. It is the duty of the County Controller to certify these bills; to know that that contract has been advertised; to know that the money has been wisely expended; to know that the lowest bidder within the county or without the county, who will perform the duties asked for in that contract shall receive that contract. I beg of you, gentlemen, that you vote against this measure and uphold the act now in force.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I just want to state that the gentleman clearly does not understand the conditions in the majority of the large counties or he would realize that the advertisement as now required by law for the purpose of letting a contract amounting to one hundred dollars, runs in the neighborhood of forty-six dollars, almost half the cost of the work. In Allegheny County there are hundreds of jobs for which there is absolutely no use in spending the taxpayers' money for the purpose of advertising that contract, because Allegheny County maintains her own road equipment, and the only people that can possibly bid on these jobs are people that have the machinery for the purpose of taking care of that equipment, and there is no use in the world to talk about advertising for a job of one hundred dollars to repair a machine that no person but the White people can repair,—and that is what this bill is for. So far as taking away the power of the Controller, my friend on the other side of the House is entirely mistaken. The only duty that the Controller has under the old act is to sit with the county commissioners for the sole, express purpose of opening the bids, and does not have a voice in the letting of that contract. He has the same voice under this act that he had under the old act. It grants him no greater powers and takes away from him none at all. Our county commissioners, gentlemen, ask this in order to save the taxpayers of Allegheny County thousand and thousands of dollars, needlessly expended for the sole, express purpose of telling the White or some manufacturing institution in Allegheny County to come in and repair the machine. We ask for the repeal of that one section, amending the section so as to give them the discretionary power they have now without paying the taxpayers' money out for useless advertising. I therefore appeal to you, gentlemen, in the name of the taxpayers of Allegheny County, to support this bill.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, then I would suggest that the bill be amended to read, "counties having a population of more than five hundred thousand," in order that the gentleman may have his bill passed; but I want to say that in my county we do not have such exorbitant taxation for publication as mentioned by the author of this bill. I would suggest that the bill be amended to read for those "counties having a population of five hundred thousand or more."

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, this bill apparently has a two-fold purpose,—the first is the elimination of the necessity of advertising in the cases where the contracts are for less than five hundred dollars. This may or may not be commendable, but there is another purpose, and I would like to call the attention of the members of the House to line 8, page 2, in that bill, which says, "after due notice to be published by the controller when directed by the commissioners if he approve the purpose of the proposal invited." If he approve the purpose of the proposal You do not find that in the amendment. Under this amendment the controller is divested of every vestige of authority he now has, he is shorn of every possible power. Mark you, under this bill he not only has no authority for the disapproval of all bills under five hundred dollars, but he has absolutely no authority under any circumstances. He must advertise, and under a late decision of the court of common pleas in Washington County he has no other authority from any other source except from this particular section. We then have the anomalous condition of the County Controller drawing four thousand dollars a year with absolutely nothing to do and nothing to say. It seems to me this is dangerous legislation. I have examined the act and this act was taken from the act which created the office of Controller. I have examined that act and the only place he gets any power is from this section, and now it is to be taken away from the Controller. You know and I know that in the United States Congress we have a check upon legislation in the House of Representatives in the way of the Senate, and after that the President, having a veto power. The same is true in the State. More than that, in every borough and city we have a veto power, and that was the object of the original bill. Now we are going to take away that power and give the Controller absolutely nothing to do, and there will be no check whatever upon the county commissioners. Let me not be misunderstood. This not only takes away his power to veto all bills under five hundred dollars, but takes away every possible power of vetoing any kind of an act by the county commissioners. Therefore, I think it is bad legislation.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, as I said in the beginning, this does not take away from the controller one iota of power. He has no voice in the letting of contracts even at the present time. He will have the same voice in the letting of the contracts after the passage of this bill that he has at the present time. I am not here for the purpose of trying to take away from the county controllers their right to supervise the payment of warrants.—none whatever. I am only asking that the county commissioners be allowed the privilege of letting contracts up to five hundred dollars without expending one-half of the people's money for advertisement. I say to you, gentlemen, that I have known the commissioners of Allegheny County for the past twenty years, and I have never known one of them that was not perfectly capable, upright and honest in every particular, and that power could be entrusted to any one of them. I fear that from what my learned friend from Cambria County says that he does not have the county commissioners in Cambria County that we have in Allegheny County. We have no fear but that they will act in the best interests of the taxpayers. They have joined with the controller in asking that this bill be passed. That I know because I consulted with both of them, and I believe that this bill is for the best interests of the taxpayers.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Local for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. SINCLAIR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The SPEAKER declared the ayes appear to have it.

Whereupon,

A division was called for, and eighty-nine gentlemen having voted in the affirmative and ninety in the negative, the motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. PALMER asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 445, bills on third reading postponed, page 7 of to-day's calendar.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 445, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes,' approved the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board, authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician, and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station, and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto," approved the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the sponsor of this bill to explain its purpose.

Mr PALMER. Mr. Speaker, the bill is for the purpose of transposing "two" to "three".

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171.

Albee,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Aron,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Glass,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Aston,	Golder,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Graham,	Milner,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Snyder,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Somerman,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sones,
Bovee,	Helt,	Musser,	Spangler,
Boyd,	Hess,	Neary,	Speicher,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sprowls,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stadtlander,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Steedle,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Stern,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Pickering,	Stites,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Swartz,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Taylor,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Ulsh,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Ringler,	Wagner,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Walker,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wallace,
Dewey,	Malie,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Wells,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Drake,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Scott,	Zanders,
Flynn,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Franklin,	McPeake,	Showalter,	Speaker.

NAYS—7.

Chestnut,	Mervine,	Sweitzer,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Rhodes, W. M.,	West,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be consdiered in Committee of the Whole, being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 342, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement and providing penalties.

The first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all tickets for the admission to any place of amusement shall have the price thereof printed upon the face thereof in large type

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 It shall be unlawful for any person co-partnership association or corporations to sell any such ticket unless the price thereof be printed on the face thereof as required in section one of this act for any person to sell any such ticket at a price higher than that printed on the face thereof

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 1, line 8, by inserting (a) after "corporation."

Amend section 2, page 1, lines 10 and 11, by striking out "for any person" and inserting in lieu thereof (b).

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 The price list of tickets for admission to a place of amusement shall be exhibited in a conspicuous place near the ticket window or ticket office After such list is exhibited no deviation in the price of admission shall be made

The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 Any person co-partnership association or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof before any alderman magistrate or justice of the peace of the county be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50) or more than five hundred dollars ($500) for each offense or in default thereof such person or the directors or officers or members of such co-partnership association or corporation as the case may be shall be committed to the proper county jail for a period not to exceed thirty days

Any person copartnership association or corporation so accused may waive such summary trial or hearing and secure the right of a trial by jury before the court of quarter sessions of the peace for the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed by depositing with the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace to whom complaint has been made or before whom he is taken the sum in double the amount of the fine and cost which might be imposed or entering security to pay the same

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 4, page 2, line 21, by striking out "the" following "taken" and insert in lieu thereof the article "a."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment.
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole, being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 412, entitled

An Act prohibiting any officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics political movements or elections from canvassing election precincts or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics political movements or elections and providing penalties for violation thereof.

The first, second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth shall be a member of or delegate or alternate to any political convention nor shall he be present at any such convention except in the performance of his official duty No such officer member or employe of said department or bureau shall serve as a member of or attend the meetings of any committee of any poitical party or take any active part in political management or in political campaigns or canvassing political precincts or use his office to influence political movements or influence the political action of any other such officer member or employe nor shall he in any way or manner interfere with the conduct of any election or the preparation therefor at the polling place or with the election officers while counting the vote or returning the ballot boxes books and papers to the place provided by law for that purpose save only for the purpose of marking and depositing his ballot as speedily as it reasonably can be done or be within any polling place or within fifty feet thereof except for purposes of ordinary travel or residence during the period of time beginning within one hour preceding the opening of the polls for holding such election and ending with the time when the election officers shall have finished counting the votes and have left the polling place for the purpose of depositing the ballot boxes and papers in the place provided by law for that purpose excepting only police officers of the particular city who may temporarily approach or enter the polling place in order to make any arrest permitted by law or for the purpose of preserving order and in each case only long enough to accomplish the duties aforesaid after which the said police officers shall at once withdraw

Section 2 That no such officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth shall solicit pay or receive any money either for himself or any political committee or candidate to be used for political purposes nor shall he authorize any person directly or indirectly either to solicit or to pay any such contribution

Section 3 Any such officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and to undergo an imprisonment in the jail of the proper county of not less than three months nor more than twelve months In addition to the fine and imprisonment such officer member or employe shall forfeit his office or position and shall during a period of five years thereafter be disqualified from holding any position of honor or trust or profit within the limits of this Commonwealth

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act prohibiting any officer member or employe of any department of bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics political movements or elections from canvassing election precincts or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics political movements or elections and providing penalties for violation thereof.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. HEFFERNAN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 2, by striking out "of" preceding "bureau" and inserting in lieu thereof "or."

On the question.
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispeised with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 300, entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking vending and peddling of fish fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pensylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person to hawk vend or peddle upon the highways streets lanes alleys avenues roads or pavements of any city of the first class any fish fruit or vegetable or other merchandise except a license therefore shall have been previously obtained as hereinafter provided

Section 2 Licenses shall only be granted under this act to citizens of the United States and shall be for the current calendar year

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 For each and every wagon cart dray wheelbarrow or any vehicle used for the purpose of hawking vending and peddling fish fruit and vegetables or other merchandise a separate license shall be first had and obtained by the owner thereof and in all cases where more than one license is taken out by any person co-partnership or corporation that the fact shall be noted upon the said additional license stub in its numerical order and every vehicle shall be conspicuously marked with the name and address of the license and shall have prominently displayed thereon a license plate numbered the same as the license which was granted for the same

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. FRANKLIN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 2, line 4, by striking out "the."
Amend section 3, page 2, line 7, by striking out "license" and inserting in lieu thereof "licensee."

On the question.
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth and fifth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 4 Each and every foot-peddler shall be required to obtain and wear prominently displayed on his person a badge duly issued and numbered attesting the fact that a license has been applied for and granted

Section 5 The councils of the cities of the first class after the passage of this act shall be empowered and shall be required to fix by ordinance the amount to be paid for a license under this act and the time the same shall be paid and also describe and regulate the manner of payment thereof into the treasury of the said city

The sixth section was read as follows:

Section 6 Any person or persons using any vehicle that is not the property of the licensee under this act for hawking vending or peddling of any merchandise whatsoever in the cities of the first class and which is not properly marked and which does not have prominently displayed thereon the proper license plate or any footpeddler who does not prominently display on his person the proper badge duly issued to the said license shall be liable on conviction to be imprisoned for not more than five days or fined not more than one hundred dollars or both or either in the discretion of the court Provided That nothing contained in this act shall prevent any citizen of this Comomnwealth from hawking vending and peddling the products of his or her or their farm or garden Provided however that he she or they shall be required to make personal appearance and execute an affidavit to that effect before the properly accredited officials and display prominently on the vehicle used a license plate for which however no charge shall be made

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. FRANKLIN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 6, page 2, line 28, by striking out "license," and inserting in lieu thereof "licensee."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The seventh section was read as follows:

Section 7 The act of Assembly approved April fifteenth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one to regulate and restrain the hawking vending and peddling et cetera and all other acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. FRANKLIN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 7, page 3, lines 12, 13 and 14, by striking out "to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling, et cetera," and inserting in lieu thereof "Pamphlet Laws seventeen, entitled 'An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.'"

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 648 entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended; and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Comomnwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which as amended by an act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-one) entitled "An Act to further amend the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith' as amended by providing for the education of certain blind children beyond the age of eight years under certain circumstances" which reads as follows

"Section 1439 The State Board of Education is authorized to educate blind children residing in this Commonwealth under the age of eight years whenever from any cause the parent or parents thereof may be unable properly to educate them With the written consent of the proper parents parent or nearest relative if there be no parents or the poor authorities of the proper poor district if there be neither parents nor relatives the board may contract with any non-sectarian institution in this State or elsewhere established for the education of the blind whereby any such child may at a cost not exceeding one dollar per day to be paid out of the State school fund be educated until it shall reach the age of eight years Provided that such education may be continued beyond the age of eight years when for physical mental or other proper reasons such child or children need special care for a longer period The contract may be cancelled and the child or children removed at any time by the board This act shall not repeal or modify any existing act relative to the education of the blind" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1439 The State Board of Education is authorized to educate blind children residing in this Commonwealth under the age of eight years whenever from any cause the parents or parents thereof may be unable properly to educate them With the written consent of the proper parents parent or nearest relative if there be no parents or the poor authorities of the proper poor district if there be neither parents nor relatives the board may contract with any non-sectarian institution in this State or elsewhere established for the education of the blind whereby any such child may at a cost not exceeding one dollar and fifty cents per day to be paid out of the State school fund be educated until it shall reach the age of eight years Provided That such education may be continued beyond the age of eight years when for physical mental or other proper reasons such child or children need special care for a longer period The contract may be cancelled and the child or children removed at any time by the board This act shall not repeal or modify any existing act relative to the education of the blind

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 22, by striking out "which".

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 The said act is further amended by adding thereto the following to be known as section one thousand four hundred forty
Section 1440 The State Board of Education is authorized to make provision for readers for students who are blind and in attendance upon higher institutions of learning

Before any contract is entered into the State Board of Education shall make a careful investigation of all the circumstances surrounding the case and if after such investigation it appears that any blind student who desires to attend a higher institution of learning or who is attending such institution seems to be fitted for special work the State Board of Education is authorized to expend an amount out of the general sum appropriated for this purpose not to exceed three hundred dollars per year for each such blind student

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 4, line 19, by inserting "and" after "institution."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which is shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue, and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" as amended and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Mr. WHITAKER in the Chair.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 261 as follows:

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all plans plots or replots of lands laid out in building lots and the streets alleys or other portions of the same intended to be dedicated to public use or for the use of purchasers or owners of lots fronting thereon or adjacent thereto and located within a distance of three miles beyond the limits of any city of the first class shall be submitted to the Department of Public Works of said city and approved by it through its board of surveyors before they shall be recorded And it shall be unlawful to receive or record such plan in any public office unless same shall bear thereon by endorsement or otherwise the approval of the said Department of Public Works The disapproval of any such plan by the Department of Public Works shall be deemed a refusal of the proposed dedication shown thereon The approval of the Department of Public Works shall be deemed an acceptance of the proposed dedication but shall not impose any duty upon the city concerning the maintenance or improvement of any such dedicated parts upon the authorities having jurisdiction until the said authorities shall have made actual appropriation of the same by entry use or improvement No sewer water gas main or pipes or other improvement shall be voted or made within the area under the jurisdiction of the said Department of Public Works for the use of any such purchasers or owners nor shall any permit for connection with or other use of any such improvement existing or for any other reason made be given to any such puchasers or owners until such plan is so approved Where the jurisdictional limit of three miles outside of the city limits as provided in this act may conflict with the zone of similar character connected with another city the jurisdiction of the said Department of Public Works shall extend only to the point equivalent between the city limits and the limit of said municipality

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. ARON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 745, as follows:

An Act to further amend sections twenty-four hundred and one twenty-four hundred and two and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" as amended

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections twenty-four hundred and one twenty-four hundred and two and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and sixty-two) entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith'" reads as follows

"Section 2401 The board of school directors of any district in this Commonwealth is hereby authorized and empowered to establish contribute to and administer as herein provided a teachers' retirement fund The said fund shall consist of all funds available for like purposes in said district at the time of the enactment of this law together with such additions thereto as the board of school directors may from time to time appropriate for that purpose from the funds of the district and such moneys or other property as may be donated bequeathed devised or received from other source for such purpose

"The board of school directors of any district of the first class is hereby authorized and empowered to establish contribute to and administer as therein provided in addition to the foregoing fund an employe's retirement fund This fund shall consist of all funds available for like purposes in said district at the time of the enactment of this act together with such additions thereto as the board of school directors may from time to time appropriate for that purpose from the funds of the district and such real or personal property as may be donated bequeathed devised or received from any other source for such purpose"

"Section 2402 The board of school directors of any district may provide in the contracts with its teachers principals or supervising officials that they shall contribute a reasonable sum from their salaries each year to said retirement fund Provided That no person shall be required to contribute any part of his salary to any retirement fund unless the same is provided for in the contract by which he is engaged

"The board of school directors of any district in the first class may provide in the contracts with its employes that they shall contribute a reasonable sum from their salaries each year to said retirement fund No employe shall be required to contribute any part of his salary to the retirement fund unless the same is provided for in the agreement by which he is engaged

"Section 2403 Where the teachers principals or supervising officials of any district contribute to any retirement fund they shall be represented in making the regulations governing it and in its control and management

"When employes of any school in districts of the first class contribute to a retirement fund they shall be represented in making the regulations governing it and in its control and management" be and the same are hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 2401 The board of school directors of any district in this Commonwealth is hereby authorized and empowered to establish contribute to and administer as

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The board of school directors of any district of the first or second class is hereby authorized and empowered to establish contribute to and administer as therein provided in addition to the foregoing fund an employe's retirement fund This fund shall consist of all funds available for like purposes in said district at the time of the enactment of this act together with such additions thereto as the board of school directors may from time to time appropriate for that purpose from the funds of the district and such real or personal property as may be donated bequeathed devised or received from any other source for such purpose

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Section 2403 Where the teachers principals or supervising officials of any district contribute to any retirement fund they shall be represented in making the regulations governing it and in its control and management

When employes of any school in districts of the first or second class contribute to a retirement fund they shall be represented in making the regulations governing it and in its control and management

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order.

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole, being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 135, as follows

An Act an act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the county treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the salaries and compensation of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the county treasurer of any county of the Commonwealth having a population of one million or over shall be as follows executive clerk three thousand ($3,000.00) dollars per annum State clerk three thousand ($3,000.00) dollars per annum first assistant clerk twenty-five hundred ($2,500.00) dollars per annum three assistants and two clerks eighteen hundred ($1,800) dollars per annum two extra clerks fifteen hundred ($1,500.00) dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid semi-monthly according to existing laws

Section 2 All laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in Committee of the Whole, being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 847, entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 2620 Such auditors shall begin their duties on the first Monday in July each year and promptly audit the accounts of the school district for which they were appointed including the accounts of the treasurer the school depositories and other school funds for the preceding fiscal year in the manner herein provided On the completion of the audit they shall make a correct duplicate report thereof which shall contain an itemized statement of all receipts expenditures and credits whatsoever of school officials and the assets and liabilities of the district one copy to be filed with the board of school directors of the district and the other copy in the court of common pleas to the number and term in which their appointment was made" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2620 Such auditors shall begin their duties on the first Monday in July each year and promptly audit the accounts of the school district for which they were appointed including the accounts of the treasurer the school depositories and other school funds for the preceding fiscal year in the manner herein provided The auditors shall complete their audit not later than the first day of September in each year and shall file their itemized statement as hereinafter required not later than said first day of September On the completion of the audit they shall make a correct duplicate report thereof which shall contain an itemized statement of all receipts expenditures and credits whatsoever of chool officials and the assets and liabilities of the district one copy to be filed with the board of school directors of the district and the other copy in the court of common pleas to the number and term in which their appointment was made

Any auditor or auditors who shall refuse or fail or neglect to complete their report or who shall refuse or fail or neglect to file the same with the board of school directors or with the court of common pleas within the time specified in this section shall be subject to a fine of five dollars for each day he shall so refuse or fail or neglect to complete and file said report to be recovered before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of the county in a summary proceeding and no auditor shall be paid any per diem compensation for making any audit after the first day of September of the year in which the audit is made

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. JONES. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 3, line 7, by striking out "chool" and inserting in lieu thereof "school."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue, and repealing all laws, general, special, or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency. the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 15, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 7, entitled "An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the

Quarantine Physician of Philadelphia by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of salaries of shore employes to the fund for payment of salaries of boat employes and the fund for maintenance of the office."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, March 12, 1917.

Resolved (If the House of Representatives concur), That five members of the Senate to be appointed by the president pro tem. and seven members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker are herby constituted a legislative committee to prepare and draft for introduction at the present session of the General Assembly a bill to provide for military training in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered. That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatvies to Senate Bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 74.

An Act defining Optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconstent therewith.

Senate Bill No. 18.

An Act providing for the location, construction, operation and maintenance of public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities, boroughs and townships thereof; authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways, streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision, maintenance and control of said highways, streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation; providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction, operation and maintenance of such improvements; providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

SPEAKER BALDWIN in the Chair.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both Houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 32

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, Pennsylvania.

House Bill No. 90

An Act to amend section one of article two, chapter seven, of the act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

House Bill No. 162

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

House Bill No. 223

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians, of Warren County.

Whereupon,

The Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 10.50 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, March 20, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for all the revelations and visions that come to us in our daily life. We thank Thee for the unbidden ideals that come into our mind and that are drawing us toward higher and better things. We believe that there is no higher purpose in life to which we can address ourselves than to build up the manhood which is in us and help our fellows which are around us to do the same. We pray Thy blessing upon the President of this body and upon this Senate and all of their families. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. VARE, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented extracts from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which were laid upon the table.

PETITIONS.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE SCARLET MINE CAVE BILL.

The Chair presented petition of citizens of Scranton, praying for the passage of the Scarlet Mine Cave Bill.

Which was referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

PRAYING FOR THE ENACTMENT OF LAWS TO REQUIRE CERTIFICATES OF HEALTH FROM PERSONS ABOUT TO MARRY; TO CLOSE POOL ROOMS AT MIDNIGHT AND ON SUNDAY, ETC.

He also presented petition of citizens of Beaver County, praying for the passage of laws (1) to require certificates of health from persons about to marry; (2) to close pool rooms at midnight and on Sunday; (3) to exclude all women and girls from saloons, wine rooms and cabarets; (4) to provide an asylum under State control for prostitutes; (5) to provide for divorce proctors to investigate and settle divorce cases out of court.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF ACTS MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO THE VILLAGE FOR FEEBLE-MINDED WOMEN OF CHILD-BEARING AGE AT LAURELTON, UNION COUNTY, AND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE STATE INSTITUTIONS FOR FEEBLE-MINDED AT POLK AND SPRING CITY.

He also presented petitions of citizens of Crawford County, praying for the passage of acts making appropriations to the Village for Feeble-Minded Women of Child-Bearing Age, at Laurelton, Union County, and also for the development and maintenance of the State institutions for Feeble-Minded at Polk and Spring City.

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PETITION OF CITIZENS WATER RIGHT ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA PRAYING THAT THE ACT OF APRIL 22, 1905 (P. L. 260), MAY BE AMENDED.

Mr. TOMPKINS presented four petitions of citizens of Cambria County, praying that the Act of April 22, 1905, (P. L. 260), may be amended so that any who are damaged by its enforcement shall be paid.

Which were referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

ENDORSING THE BILL TO PUT BOROUGHS ON THE SAME FOOTING AS THE TOWNSHIPS UNDER THE SPROUL SYSTEM.

He also presented petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange endorsing the bill to put the boroughs on the same footing as the townships under the Sproul System.

Which was referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

ENDORSING BILL TO REIMBURSE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS BY PAYING THE PREMIUMS FOR 1916 ON A BASIS OF 50 TO 50 AND TO CORRECT THE PRESENT LAW SO AS TO MAKE IT LEGAL FOR THE STATE TO PAY THE PREMIUMS ON THE 50 TO 50 BASIS.

He also presented petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange endorsing the bill to reimburse Agricultural Associations by paying the premiums for 1916 on a basis of 50 to 50 and to correct the present law so as to make it legal for the State to pay the premiums on a 50 to 50 basis.

Which was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAW REGULATING THE FORMATION OF MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANIES AND PERMITTING THE FORMATION OF COMPANIES FOR INSURING LIVE STOCK.

He also presented petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange for the passage of an amendment to the law regulating the formation of mutual insurance companies and permitting the formation of companies for insuring live stock with a minimum pledge to organize of $25,000.

Which was referred to the Committee on Insurance.

PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF A LAW COMPELLNG THE KEEPERS OF PUBLIC STABLES IN WHICH HORSES ARE KNOWN TO HAVE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES ARE KEPT TO POST A NOTICE OUTSIDE OF THE STABLE.

He also presented petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange praying for the passage of a law compelling the keepers of public stables in which horses are known to have contagious diseases are kept to post a notice outside of the stable; also forbidding anyone to put diseased horses into public stables or to allow diseased horses to drink from a public watering trough.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate, as follows:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO DRAFT BILL PROVIDING FOR MILITARY TRAINING.

In the Senate, March 19, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That five members of the Senate, to be appointed by the President pro tempore, and seven members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker, are hereby constituted a Legislative Committee to prepare and draft for introduction at the present session of the General Assembly, a bill to provide for military training in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also laid before the Senate for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 364 (Senate Bill No. 598), entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of a stock of merchandise and fixtures, or merchandise or fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 445 (Senate Bill No. 599), entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to establish a health office and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes' approved the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), empowering the Governor to suspend the State Quarantine creating a Quarantine Board, authorizing the Governor to appoint a Quarantine Physician, and to purchase or lease or acquire land for a State Quarantine Station, and thereupon to abandon the present Lazaretto," approved the fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 461 (Senate Bill No. 600), entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (P. L. 237) entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 608 (Senate Bill No. 601), entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 1, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State Highway located in the County of Armstrong.

House Bill No. 32, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville Pennsylvania.

House Bill No. 90, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs.

House Bill No. 162, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania.

House Bill No. 223, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County.

Senate Bill No. 12, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties."

Senate Bill No. 14, entitled

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven, of the act approved the 5th day of May, 1911 (P. L. 198), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace; and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

Senate Bill No. 24, entitled

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act entitled, "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a County Court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said Court the Juvenile Court of said County, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

An Act providing for the location, construction, operation and maintenance of public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth, either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities, boroughs and townships thereof; authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways, streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements, and for the supervision, maintenance and control of said highways, streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation; providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction, operation and maintenance of such improvements; providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways, bridges, tunnels, subways and underground roads; and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Games and Fisheries, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 109, entitled

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth, requiring nonresidents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth; providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions, and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

Mr. LYNCH, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health; by regulating the possession, control, receipt, administering, prescribing, dispensing, sale, delivering, and giving away of certain drugs and keeping records thereof; by regulating the administering, dispensing, prescribing and delivery of certain drugs to habitual users of said drugs and regulating the treatment and cure of said habitual users of said drugs; by providing for the revocation of the licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists and registered nurses for drug addiction and for violating the provisions of this act; and otherwise fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Mr. McCONNELL, from the Committee on Game and Fisheries, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 121, entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same; and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction, and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 350, entitled

An Act relating to plumbing, house-drainage, sewers, and cesspools in cities of the third class and empowering the councils of said cities to prescribe by ordinance, rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction of plumbing, house drainage, sewers and cesspools the manner of doing said work, and the reconstruction and repair thereof; and authorizing council to fix the license fees for licensing of persons engaged in plumbing work and other fees in connection with plumbing.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 350, entitled

An Act relating to plumbing house drainage sewers and cesspools in cities of the third class and empowering the councils of said cities to prescribe by ordinance rules regulations and requirements for the construction of plumbing house drainage sewers and cesspools the manner of doing said work and the reconstruction and repair thereof and authorizing council to fix the license fees for licensing of persons engaged in plumbing work and other fees in connection with plumbing.

be read the first time.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 350, entitled

An Act relating to plumbing house drainage sewers and cesspools in cities of the third class and empowering the councils of said cities to prescribe by ordinance rules regulations and requirements for the construction of plumbing house drainage sewers and cesspools the manner of doing said work and the reconstruction and repair thereof and authorizing council to fix the license fees for licensing of persons engaged in plumbing work and other fees in connection with plumbing.

And said bill having been read at length the first time.

Ordered. To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Forestry, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 500, entitled

An Act, entitled "An Act permitting the release on parole of insane persons committed to the institutions of the Commonwealth, and regulating such release, and the appointment of parole officers."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 502, entitled

An Act, entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth, to certify the proceedings upon which this commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution."

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 513, entitled

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the powers and duties of said office.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 595, entitled

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings, partition proceedings, or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 549 (House Bill No. 249), entitled

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions," approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;' approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 550 (House Bill No. 250), entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 556 (House Bill No. 583), entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State Hospitals for the insane," approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as amended Senate Bill No. 381, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital, at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 545 (House Bill No. 177), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane, at Farview, Pennsylvania.

Mr. LEIBY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards," as amended.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 330, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth by adding thereto sections four and five.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act empowering certain corporations, societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the Court of Common Pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act relating to borough officers, employes, and contracts; and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions," extending the same to apply to cities of the third class.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement or reconstruction of certain State highways in certain cases, upon the property abutting the line of improvement; and providing for the collection of such assessments.

Mr. NASON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 534, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen of an act, entitled "An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County," approved the sixth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county, issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act, entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer, and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' court, in the County of Allegheny, and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors, in Allegheny County, and regulating compensation," approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio, in Allegheny County, to hear and determine cases of drunkeness and disorderly conduct, and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. McCONNELL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 602, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mary M. Packer Hospital, Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 603, entitled

An Act to amend section eighty-nine of the act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships, and county and township officers," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 604, entitled

An Act to amend part of the fourth section of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 605, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 606, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to consolidate the courts of common pleas of Philadelphia County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, March 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, March twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, March twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurence.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR INFORMATION REGARDING EXPENDITURES IN HIS DEPARTMENT.

Mr. EYRE offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

In the Senate, March 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Auditor General is hereby required to make report to the General Assembly not later than March twenty-sixth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, showing in detail the items in the accounts of the Auditor General which fail to balance, if any so there be, and which have given rise to serious charges in the public press; also to show the necessity, at this time, and within six weeks of the close of the present administration of the Auditor General for the appointment of a number of expert accountants to examine the books and accounts of the Auditor General's Department at the cost to the Commonwealth of ten thousand dollars; also to specify in said report who the expert accountants employed or to be employed by the Auditor General are, and the residences of the same; also the reason and necessity for the using of accountants and clerks on separate shifts night and day during the last six weeks past; also to show what part of the appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars as made in the General Appropriation Act of one thou-

sand nine hundred and fifteen "for the payment of extra clerks as the Auditor General may find it necessary to employ, et cetera," has been used or is to be used to pay compensation to expert accountants not regularly in the employ of said Department, and to show what part of the sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars appropriated as a deficiency to said Department by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen has been or is to be used for the payment of compensation to expert accountants in said Department.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be dispensed with in order that the resolution may be considered at this time

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of printing.

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be dispensed with in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 233 (House Bill No. 87), as follows:

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally due the said William H Heard for personal injuries sustained by the said William H Heard upon property owned by or subject to the maintenance supervision and control of the Commonwealth or its agency the Valley Forge Park Commission through the negligence of officers and employes of the Commonwealth or of the said agency

This suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleadings and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defense open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions to the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 119, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate resume the consideration of Senate Bill No. 104, on third reading, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State police force as amended.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President. I rise for a point of information. Is it in order to postpone this bill, or put it over for a week?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair informs the Senator that a motion to postpone will be in order.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I move that the question together with the further consideration of this bill be postponed and made a special order of business for next Monday night at ten o'clock.

Mr. J. F. GRAFF. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I should like to interrogate the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Burke.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Burke, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President. I will.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I should like to ask the Senator whether there is any particular reason why this bill should not be considered at this time. It has been on the postponed calendar for at least a month and if there is any real reason I have no objection, but I see no reason for delaying the passage of the bill.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I find a letter here this morning from the Traders Council of the City of Pittsburgh, representing one hundred thousand labor men, asking that this bill be held over.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I would suggest to the Senator from Allegheny that if those people want to be heard on the matter they can be heard after this bill arrives on the other side of the Legislature, and I hope that this motion will not prevail.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

And the question recurring.

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the motion to make this bill a special order of business was defeated.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I voted no.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I voted no.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion to make the bill a special order of business for March 26, 1917, at 10 o'clock P. M.

It was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing, of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth; and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, 1915 (P. L. 644).

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, there are many rural parts of Pennsylvania where the farms are becoming depopulated by our people moving to the towns and cities. Foreigners are now moving out on those farms, they are making good residents, good farmers, and they are raising good families. Under this Act of Assembly they are not allowed to own, control, or be in the possession of any dog. Under a prior Act of Assembly they are not allowed to have any guns. The result is that the young fellows from the cities go out and they eat their berries and their cherries and they commit all kinds of depredations and the poor foreign farmer is absolutely helpless. At the same time when this Act of Assembly was passed, by the session of 1915, there was a general act passed requiring that all dogs be assessed and taxed, and a tax paid thereon, and if the tax is not paid the constables kill the dogs, and it seems to me there is no reason why a foreigner residing on a farm should not have the same right to own and have a dog as an American citizen, providing he pays his tax and brings himself within the regulations of the Act of Assembly. I know of at least two cases where the wives were American born citizens, where the husband was prosecuted because the wife had a little pet dog. The husband was prosecuted because the dog was in his possession and he had to pay a fine. We cannot only make laws for the hunters and the sportsmen, but we must also do something to encourage agriculture and the people who are cultivating our rural sections, and it is for that reason, and also for the reason that a man who lives on a farm and operates the same, whether he is a foreigner or American born citizen, certainly ought to have the right to hunt on his own land which he cultivates, and this same Act of Assembly, in addition to forbidding him to have a dog, says that even though a foreigner cultivates a tract of land of two hundred acres, or one hundred, is not allowed to kill a rabbit on his own land, whether he owns the farm or is a tenant on it, and the other fellows come there and snap away the game in front of his very face. I know that there has been some opposition and some lobbying against this bill, and it is for that reason I desire to explain the purpose of this repealer.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, there are a great many rural sections in Pennsylvania that are in a very different position from the condition described by the Senator from Lehigh. This act was originally passed, not only to protect the game conditions in the State, but to protect the sheep industry as well. It is a matter of common knowledge that the sheep industry has practically been destroyed in the State of Pennsylvania by reason of the fact that unowned curs are kept in large numbers, and that sheep are destroyed with but a measure of compensation and in that way the industry has entirely gone out of existence. Now there is a movement all over the State to restore that industry and the destruction of the worthless cur is absolutely necessary for that to be made a success. I think it would be a step backward if this act were to be repealed and I sincerely hope that the legislation proposed here will not pass. It would be a step backward and the progress that has been made in the last two or three years would be wiped out.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to add a word or two to what Senator Crow has said in reference to the sheep industry. Down near Ambler, where I have my summer home, there are lots of splendid farms all around there and there is also a settlement of foreigners nearby, where every family seems to have one or two dogs and the sheep industry in that neighborhood, where it used to be well conducted, is entirely extinct now. It seems to me Senator Schantz is right so far as a man should have a gun to protect his own crops and his own place, whether he is a foreigner or otherwise, but that would not justify him in having a lot of dogs running all over the State and as Senator Crow has well said, crippling and in fact killing the entire sheep industry.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I think it is a sad commentary upon the employes of the State of Pennsylvania, the condition described in the remarks of the Senator from Fayette, that it is almost impossible to prevent such an onslaught against the sheep and other animals in the State, that we are paying out millions of dollars for agents going throughout the State of Pennsylvania yearly and we are told they are absolutely unable to prevent the destruction of a certain industry, sheep raising, throughout the State. If we want to make it a preventative measure why not include and incorporate all citizens of the State of Pennsylvania and not specially the foreign-born, because after all it is the unnaturalized citizens who by the treatment that is received by them and accorded to them in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, will in the future become the citizenship of this great State; and what we can do to foster, develop and encourage them is much more to the interest and welfare of the Commonwealth than the industry referred to as sheep raising and things of that kind. I trust that the State of Pennsylvania at this time, and more particularly at this time, will show to the unnaturalized citizen some hope and measure of compensation to reward them for coming here, and we certainly do need them in the future of this Commonwealth.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, as I have said, there was another Act of Assembly passed regulating the ownership and possession of all dogs by the Session of 1915, the same session which passed this act, and that act protects the sheep industry, and I have never before heard that a dog when owned by a foreigner was more vicious than when owned by an American citizen, and I do not see why the dogs of the foreigners are such a detriment to sheep and not the dogs of Americans. We need uniformity in legislation and the treatment of all people alike. It is this kind of discrimination which makes anarchists and socialists. I say when two foreigners live side by side and do the same kind of work and have the same breed of dogs their dogs ought to be on the same level and treated under the same legislation.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—13.

Catlin,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Weaver,
Daix,	Nason,	Tompkins,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Schantz,	Warner,	Pres. pro tem.
McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,		

NAYS—30.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Endsley,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Graff, J. F.,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	Lynch,		

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the negative.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 232 (House Bill No. 85), entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I certainly would like to have some explanation as to this bill that we are now about to vote on.

The PRESIDENT. Does any Senator care to explain the bill?

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I think this is a bill just authorizing manufacturers of cigars to hold real estate in the Commonwealth. That is all it does.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 242, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the 9th day of June, 1881, entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing," by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for, crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth; and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the 29th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President. I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 5, line 21, by inserting after the word "law" the words "for the publication."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

The ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. Clarence J. Buckman) in the Chair.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 247, on third reading, entitled

An Act to fix the salary of the commission clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President. I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 285, as follows:

An Act for the printing binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department" and making an appropriation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Superintendent of the Department of Public Printing and Binding is hereby directed to cause to be immediately printed and bound in buckram five thousand copies of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department" recently prepared by the Attorney General's Department of this Commonwealth

Section 2 Copies of such analytical index shall be distributed through the Division of Distribution of Documents on written order or requisition addressed to the Chief of the Division by the official or person entitled thereto and in the same manner as public documents are now generally distributed by such Division

Section 3 One copy of the analytical index shall be sent by such Division to each judge district attorney borough solicitor city solicitor county solicitor state official county law library and public library of this Commonwealth The Legislative Reference Bureau and the State Library may each requisition fifty copies The remaining copies shall be distributed by such Division upon the requisition or order of the Attorney General's Department.

Section 4 The sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Public Printing and Binding for the purposes herein provided which appropriation shall be immediately available upon the approval of this act

The money hereby appropriated shall also be available to pay any expense already incurred in the printing and binding of a sufficient number of copies of the index for the information of and distribution among the members of the General Assembly

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 36, as follows:

An Act regulating the deposit of moneys belonging to the several counties of the Commonwealth in the banking institutions thereof and providing for the collection of interest thereon

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen the county treasurers of the several counties of Pennsylvania shall require and collect from each bank banking institution or trust company in which funds of the county are deposited interest on the amount of the deposit at the rate of one and one-half per cent per annum on the active accounts of the county treasurer and two per cent per annum on the inactive accounts of the county treasurer

Section 2 Each county treasurer before making such deposits shall require each bank banking institution or trust company to give a good and sufficient bond containing a warrant of attorney to confess judgment in favor of the county in the name of the treasurer of said county in double the amount of the contemplated deposit and no deposit shall at any time be greater than one-half of the amount of the bond furnished by said depository And further the said bond or bonds so given shall include a special obligation to settle with and pay to the county treasurer for the use of the county the amount of interest as it shall become due semi-annually

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county treasurer to select the banks banking institutions or trust companies in which the county moneys shall be deposited provided however that nothing in this Act contained shall be held to prevent the county treasurer from withdrawing any or all of said funds so deposited at any time

Section 4 All bonds required to be given by the county treasurer for the safe keeping of the county funds shall be paid for out of the funds of the county in the same manner as other bills against the county are paid

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts whether local special or general inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 132, as follows:

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all plans plots or replots of lands laid out in building lots and the streets alleys or other portions of the same intended to be dedicated to public use or for the use of purchasers or owners of lots fronting thereon adjacent thereto and located within a distance of three miles beyond the limits of any city of the first class shall be submitted to the Department of Public Works of said city and approved by it through its board of surveyors before they shall be recorded And it shall be unlawful to receive or record such plan in any public office unless same shall bear thereon by endorsement or otherwise the approval of the said Department of Public Works The disapproval of any such plan by the Department of Public Works shall be deemed a refusal of the proposed dedication shown thereon The approval of the Department of Public Works shall be deemed an acceptance of the proposed dedication but shall not impose any duty upon the city concerning the maintenance or improvement of any such dedicated parts until the proper authorities having jurisdiction shall have made actual appropriation of the same by entry use or improvement No sewer water gas main or pipes or other improvement shall be voted or made within the area under the jurisdiction of the said Department of Public Works for the use of any such purchasers or owners nor shall any permit for connection with or other use of any such improvement existing or for any other reason made be given to any such purchasers or owners until such plan is so approved Where the jurisdictional limit of three miles outside of the city limits as provided in this act conflict with the zone of similar character connected with another city the jurisdiction of the said Department of Public Works shall extend only to the point equidistant between the city limits and the limits of said municipality

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 137, as follows:

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That councils in cities of the first class are hereby empowered to authorize the director of supplies in such cities to purchase or procure without public advertisement for bids and without entering into written contracts materials or commodities to the value of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) provided that written bids therefor be first invited from at least three persons firms or corporations regularly engaged in the business of manufacturing dealing in furnishing or supplying the same and provided further That when a patented or proprietary article is to be purchased or procured the director of supplies in said cities of the first class may be permitted to accept one bid from the patentee or the person firm or corporation controlling the patented or proprietary article required which bid shall be accompanied with an affidavit stating that the prices quoted are the lowest at which said articles are sold to anyone in the open market

Section 2 Whenever advertised bids are received for furnishing materials or commodities for a stated period and the amount or amounts appropriated and available are not sufficient to cover the requirements for the period stated in the advertisement said councils in cities of the first class may authorize the director of supplies to continue said contract or contracts when further appropriations are made and become available for that purpose or when further requirements become necessary for the period stated and this authorization shall be set forth in the said contract or contracts and shall be binding upon the parties affixing their signatures thereto

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 171, as follows:

A Supplement to the Act of April twenty-eighth eighteen hundred ninety-nine entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class" providing for the election of a township solicitor in townships of the first class fixing his term of office prescribing his duties and qualifications and authorizing the board of township commissioners to fix his compensation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the board of township commissioners of said township of the first class on the first Monday of March one thousand nine hundred and seventeen or as soon thereafter as practicable may elect by the vote of a majority of the members one person who shall be an attorney at law admitted and qualified to practice in courts of this Commonwealth who shall be styled the township solicitor and shall serve for a term of four years from the first Monday of March succeeding his election and until his successor shall be duly qualified The board of township commissioners shall also fix the compensation that shall be allowed the solicitor for the said term Vacancies in said office shall be filled by the board of township commissioners for the unexpired term

Section 2 The law matters of the township shall be under the superintendence direction and control of the township solicitor and no department of the township shall employ or retain an additional counsel in any matter or cause except with the previous assent or subsequent ratification of the board of township commissioners He shall keep in his office deposited and preserved all patents deeds leases mortgages and other assurances to title and all contracts bonds books and other evidences of debt belonging to the township unless the board of township commissioners shall otherwise provide or direct

Section 3 The township solicitor shall prepare all bonds obligations contracts leases conveyances and assurances to which the township or any department thereof may be a party as may be directed by resolution or ordinance shall commence and prosecute all and every suit or suits action or actions brought by the township for or on account of the estates rights trusts privileges claims or demands of the same as well as defend all actions or suits against the said township or any officer thereof wherein or whereby any of the estates rights privileges trusts or ordinances or acts of the township or any department thereof may be brought in question before any court in this Commonwealth and shall do all and every professional act incident to the office which he may be lawfully authorized or required to do by the said township commissioners by resolution or ordinance He shall whenever required furnish the board of township commissioners the committees thereof or the heads of departments with his opinion in writing upon any question of law which may be submitted by either of them in their official capacity

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 223 (House Bill No. 134) entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 231 (House Bill No. 52), entitled

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough and township tax collectors, their executors and administrators, if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act, entitled "To amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States," approved the twenty-fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved May twenty-fifth Anno Domini nineteen hundred and seven entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act 'ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States' approved April fifteenth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from twenty thousand square feet" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when the United States of America "shall acquire by purchase condemnation or otherwise the lands tenements and hereditaments situate at the southwest corner of Broad street and Washington avenue in the County of Philadelphia now occupied as a depot of supplies for the United States Marine Corps and the other real property contiguous to and adjoining the same not exceeding in all forty thousand square feet in area the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby cedes jurisdiction over said real estate so acquired unto the United States of America" shall be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when the United States of America "shall acquire by purchase condemnation or otherwise the lands tenements and hereditaments situate at the southwest corner of Broad street and Washington avenue in the County of Philadelphia now occupied as a depot of supplies for the United States Marine Corps and the other real property contiguous to and adjoining the same not exceeding in all eighty thousand square feet in area the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby cedes jurisdiction over said real estate so acquired unto the United States of America

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 2, by inserting after the word "feet" the words "to forty thousand square feet;" line 17, by striking out after the word "America" the words "shall be and the same."

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act, entitled "To amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States," approved the twenty-fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title on page 1, line 1, by inserting after the word "entitled" the words "An Act;" also line 4, by inserting after the word "States" the words "Approved April fifteenth, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three, increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from twenty thousand square feet to forty thousand square feet;" also in line 6, by inserting after the word "seven" the word "by."

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 263, as follows

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties boroughs townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof" by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws seventy-five) entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties boroughs townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the courts of common pleas of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall have jurisdiction and are hereby authorized to decree a public or private sale of any poor-house property or real estate held for the relief and employment of the poor in any county city borough township or poor district at such times and in such parts or parcels and upon such terms as in the opinion of any such court may be considered most advantageous to such district" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the courts of common pleas of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall have jurisdiction and are hereby authorized to decree a public or private sale of any poor-house property or real estate held for the relief and employment of the poor in any county city borough township or poor district at such times and in such parts or parcels and upon such terms as in the opinion of any such court may be considered must advantageous to such district Such sale may be made whether the title to such real estate is in the county city borough township or poor district or whether such real estate was reserved by the Commonwealth for use as a poor farm and the legal title thereof still remains in the Commonwealth The title to all such real estate owned by the Commonwealth so conveyed is hereby made good and valid

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 264, as follows

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred eighty-six) entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

"In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand population one thousand dollars in such poor district containing one hundred and fifty thousand and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

"The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for services of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor The said poor directors shall have power to employ an attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper not however exceeding the rate of twenty-five dollars per month The population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand population one thousand dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and fifty thousand and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for services of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor and excepting also the pay of any director at a rate not to exceed three dollars and fifty cents per diem for attendance at any office of said directors of the poor in any city borough or township maintained to assist the work of said directors of the poor and which is not connected with the property of the poor district The said poor directors shall have power to employ an attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper The population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 286, as follows

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties with half pay under certain conditions during the remainder of their lives except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement" approved the fourteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties with half pay under certain conditions during the remainder of their lives except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement" approved the fourteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first day of September Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen whenever the Governor is of opinion based upon satisfactory medical evidence that a State employe is by reason of physical or mental disability permanently incapacitated for performing his regular official duties except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for he shall notify said employe of his opinion giving the reasons therefor and if the said employe shall resign within thirty days after such notice and shall have served continuously in office as such a State employe for twenty-five years or more or who shall have reached the age of seventy years and shall have served continuously in office as such a State employe for twenty years or more and shall hold himself in readiness to perform special duties in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do after his honorable retirement from office by resignation he shall receive during the remainder of his life or during the continuance of such disability or incapacity one-half of the salary which he would have received had he remained in active service" is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter whenever the Governor is of opinion based upon satisfactory medical evidence that a State employe is by reason of physical or mental disability permanently incapacitated for performing his regular official duties except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for he shall notify said employe of his opinion giving the reasons therefor and if the said employe shall resign within thirty days after such notice and shall have served in office as such a State employe for twenty-five years or more or who shall have reached the age of seventy years and shall have served in office as such a State employe for twenty years or more and shall hold himself in readiness to perform special duties in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do after his honorable retirement from office by resignation he shall receive during the remainder of his life or during the continuance of such disability or incapacity one-half of the salary which he would have received had he remained in active service The term "State employe" as used in this act shall apply to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 302 (House Bill No. 217), entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five," entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth" as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 309 (House Bill No. 349), entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and inspection of property for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 326, entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight Number one hundred and two) entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act" which reads as follows

"The chief of the division shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding with the approval of the Governor for the term of four years or until his successor has been appointed and has qualified He shall before assuming the duties of his office take and subscribe to the oath or affirmation prescribed by the Constitution of this Commonwealth and shall give bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) conditioned on the faithful performance by him of the duties of his office He shall receive a salary of two thousand four hundred dollars" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The chief of the division shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding with the approval of the Governor for the term of four years or until his successor has been appointed and has qualified He shall before assuming the duties of his office take and subscribe to the oath or affirmation prescribed by the Constitution of this Commonwealth and shall give bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) conditioned on the faithful performance by him of the duties of his office He shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 4, by inserting at the beginning of the line the word and figure "Section 3."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 That section four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 4 The Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding shall appoint in said division two shipping clerks two mailing clerks one bookkeeper and one stenographer and typewriter each of whom shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars one messenger who shall receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars Additional employes shall when necessary be assigned to the division by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 The Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding shall appoint in said division a chief clerk at a salary of eighteen hundred dollars per annum two shipping clerks two mailing clerks and one stenographer and typewriter each of whom shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars one wrapper and packer who shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars Additional employes shall when necessary be assigned to the division by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend section three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 1, by striking out the word "section" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sections."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 338, as follows:

An Act to provide for the licensing registering and regulating of all persons institutions corporations associations or societies who receive board or keep children under the age of fourteen (14) years in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth giving to the board of health of said cities the right and power to adopt rules and regulations relative to the keeping of children defining the term "person" as used in this act and providing for the punishment of the superintendent manager person in charge officers and directors of any institution association or corporation violating this act or the rules and regulations made thereunder by making the violation thereof a misdemeanor and prescribing the penalty therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no person institution corporation association or society shall hereafter receive board or keep children under the age of fourteen (14) years in cities of the first class of this Commonwealth either for a part of a day or for a longer period without legal commitment unless a license so to do has first been obtained from the Department of Public Health and Charities of such cities Provided That this act shall not apply to any child related by blood or marriage to the person having custody or control of such child And provided further That in any prosecutions under this act if the defendant relies upon the relationship of any such child to himself in defense the burden shall be upon the defendant to prove such relationship

Section 2 The board of health in cities of the first class is hereby empowered and directed to make and adopt rules and regulations under which children under the age of fourteen (14) years may be received boarded or kept in said cities in pursuance of the provisions of this act Such rules and regulations shall provide for the sanitary equipment and maintenance of premises licensed under this act and shall prescribe the form of records which shall be kept by each licensee and by the department of health All rules made and adopted under the provisions of this act shall be printed by the department of health and shall be promulgated by publishing a notice three times in each of the three daily newspapers published in said cities setting forth that rules and regulations have been made

and adopted as provided for in this act and may be obtained by application to the department of public health and charities of said cities

Section 3 A license permitting persons institutions corporations associations or societies to receive board or keep children under the age of fourteen (14) years in cities of the first class without legal commitment may be granted by the department of public health and charities upon application for such license Provided That the rules and regulations established by the board of health of said cities for the regulation of the receiving boarding and keeping of children under fourteen (14) years of age have been complied with

Section 4 Licenses when issued shall be valid for one calendar year or fractional part thereof next ensuing from the date of issue A separate license shall be issued for each place used and shall not be transferrable either as to person or place and may be revoked after a hearing by the board of health for failure to comply with the provisions of the act or with the rules and regulations established by the board of health Each license shall state the name of the licensee the particular premises which are licensed the number of children that may be kept therein at any one time and shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the licensed premises A fee of five dollars ($5.00) shall be paid to the department of health for each license granted

Section 5 The department of public health and charities is hereby authorized and directed to inspect the premises licensed under this act and the licensee of said premises shall permit the lawful representatives of said department to enter upon and thoroughly inspect such premises at any time the said department so orders and directs

Section 6 That the term "person" in this act shall include natural persons societies institutions corporations individuals and associations of individuals Wherever appropriate the words of the masculine gender in this act shall include the feminine and neuter gender and the words in the singular shall include the plural

Section 7 Any superintendent manager or person in charge of any such boarding house for infants and the officers and directors of any institution association or corporation violating any of the provisions of the foregoing sections of this act or any of the rules and regulations made in accordance therewith shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25.00) and not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) or undergo imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court

Section 8 That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of the act be and hereby are repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President I move that Senate Bill No. 338, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 352, as follows:

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where theretofore any act has been done or transfer or conveyance of any property been made to or by any corporation created or intended to be created by virtue of the provisions of the Act of Assembly approved April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" or its amendments or supplements in good faith after the issuing of letters patent and before the actual record of the certificate such acts transfers and conveyances shall after said certificate has been duly recorded as provided in the said act be deemed and taken to be valid and effectual for all purposes Provided This act shall not affect any proceeding now pending

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 354, as follows:

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to enlarge cemeteries

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any incorporated cemetery or burial association or any incorporated church congregation or religious association not incorporated for profit may condemn any lands except corporate homestead coal and other church and cemetery property for the purpose of establishing a new cemetery or burial place or for the purpose of enlarging any such cemetery that is now or shall hereafter be established In the exercise of the rights hereby conferred no public highway may be vacated and no lands shall be appropriated lying within any borough town or city without the consent of said borough town or city nor any lands already occupied by any building used as a dwelling house

Section 2 Prior to any such taking or appropriation the said corporation shall attempt to agree with the owner as to the damage for the taking of said land if such owner can be found and is sui juris Failing to agree the corporation shall tender to the property owner a bond with sufficient sureties to secure him or her in the payment of damages If the owner refuses to accept said bond or cannot be found or is not sui juris the same shall then be presented to the court of common pleas of the proper county after reasonable notice to the property owner by advertisement or otherwise to be approved by said court The bond shall be given to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the use of the parties in interest and in such amount and with such surety as the court deem sufficient Upon the filing and the approval thereof the right of the corporation to enter upon and take possession of the land to be acquired and marked on the ground by the corner stakes shall be complete

Section 3 Upon petition of either party thereafter the court of common pleas shall appoint three members of the board of viewers of the county to serve as a board of viewers to assess the damages proper to be paid the said owner for the land so taken and shall fix a time for holding said view of which notice shall be given to the parties in interest either personally or as the court may direct The said viewers having been severally sworn to well and truly assess such damages shall proceed at the time fixed by court to the discharge of their duties and shall report in writing to said court on or before the first day of the next term following the day fixed for holding said view their assessment of damages for the land so taken the boundaries of which shall have been marked upon the ground

Section 4 Either party may appeal from the report of the viewers and the damages assessed within twenty days after the first day of the term to which said report shall have been filed to the court of common pleas and may have a jury trial to determine such damages as in ordinary cases and have a writ of error to the Superior or to the Supreme Court as the case may be Either party may also file exceptions to the proceedings within the said twenty days but if no exceptions be filed or appeal be taken as aforesaid within the said twenty days the prothonotary of said court shall mark said report finally confirmed and enter judgment upon said bond in favor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the use of the party or parties entitled to compensation or damages for the amount assessed and reported by said viewers

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 355, as follows:

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen' Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau authorizing the division of of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts and the appointment of workmen's Compensation Referees defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation the Workmen's Compensation Board the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That section fifteen of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and fifty-eight) entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation the Workman's Compensation Board the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants" which reads as follows

"Section 15 The Commissioner shall with the approval of the Governor appoint three clerks whose salary shall not exceed two thousand dollars per annum and not more than twenty-four clerks one-half at least of whom shall be stenographers at an annual salary not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars to perform such duties in connection with the work of the Bureau as the Board shall direct The Commissioner may also appoint with the approval of the Governor one clerk for each Referee at an annual salary not to exceed one thousand dollars and a messenger for the Bureau at a salary not to exceed one thousand dollars per annum The Commissioner may also from time to time detail to the assistance of the Brueau the Board or the Referees such other employes of the Department of Labor and Industry as may be necessary" be amended to read as follows

Section 15 The Commissioner shall with the approval of the Governor appoint three clerks whose salary shall not exceed two thousand dollars per annum and not more than twenty-four clerks one-half at least of whom shall be stenographers at an annual salary not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars to perform such duties in connection with the work of the Bureau as the Board shall direct The Commissioner may also appoint with the approval of the Governor one clerk for each Referee at an annual salary not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars and a messenger for the Bureau at a salary not to exceed one thousand dollars per annum The Commissioner may also from time to time detail to the assistance of the Bureau the Board or the Referee such other employes of the Department of Labor and Industry as may be necessary

Section 2 That so much of section twenty-one of said act which reads as follows

"Section 21 Each member of the Board shall receive an annual salary of seven thousand dollars except the chairman who shall receive seven thousand five hundred dollars the secretary shall receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars the sergeant-at-arms shall receive an annual salary of one thousand five hundred dollars each Referee shall receive an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars" be amended to read as follows

Section 21 Each member of the Board shall receive an annual salary of seven thousand dollars except the chairman who shall receive seven thousand five hundred dollars the secretary shall receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars the sergeant-at-arms shall receive an annual salary of one thousand five hundred dollars each Referee shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 356, as follows:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof

That section eight of article sixteen which reads as follows

"Section 8 Municipal and other corporations and individuals invested with the privileges of taking private property for public use shall make just compensation for property taken injured or destroyed by the construction or enlargement of their works highways or improvements which compensation shall be paid or secured before such taking injury or destruction The General Assembly is hereby prohibited from depriving any person of an appeal from any preliminary assessment of damages against any such corporations or individuals made by viewers or otherwise and the amount of such damages in all cases of appeal shall on demand of either party be determined by jury according to the course of the common law" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 8 Municipal and other corporations and individuals invested with the privilege of taking private property for public use and individuals vested with the privilege of taking private property for the erection thereon of a home shall make just compensation for property taken injured or destroyed by the construction or enlargement of their works highways improvements or homes which compensation shall be paid or secured before such taking injury or destruction The General Assembly is hereby prohibited from depriving any person of an appeal from any preliminary assessment of damages against any such corporations or individuals made by viewers or otherwise and the amount of such damages in all cases of appeal shall on demand of either party be determined by a jury according to the course of the common law

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 360, as follows:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to abolish the office of associate judge not learned in the law

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof

That section five of article five be amended so as to read as follows

Section 5 Whenever a county shall contain forty thousand inhabitants it shall constitute a separate judicial district and shall elect one judge learned in the law and the General Assembly shall provide for additional judges as the business of the said districts may require Counties containing a population less than is sufficient to constitute separate districts shall be formed into convenient single districts or if necessary may be attached to contiguous districts as the General Assembly may provide The office of associate judge not learned in the law is abolished but the several associate judges in office at the time of the adoption hereof shall serve for their unexpired terms

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 364, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers reviewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers reviewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-nine) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 365, as follows:

An Act to repeal section one of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny" approved the eighth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny" approved the eighth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and twenty) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 366, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the counties of Allegheny Cambria York Mercer Union Huntingdon Luzerne and Schuylkill" approved the fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the counties of Allegheny Cambria York Mercer Union Huntingdon Luzerne and Schuylkill" approved the fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and seventy-eight) be and the same is hereby repealed in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 370, as follows

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to unused streets lanes and alleys" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to unused streets lanes and alleys" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted et cetra That any street lane or alley laid out by any person or persons in any village or town plot or plan of lots on lands owned by such person or persons in case the same has not been opened to or used by the public for twenty-one years next after the laying out of the same shall be and have no force and effect and shall not be opened without the consent of the owner or owners of the land on which the same has been or shall be laid out" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted et cetera That whenever any street lane or alley has been or may hereafter be laid out by any person or persons in any village or town plot or plan of lots on lands owned by such person or persons in case the same has not been opened to or used by the public for twenty-one years next after the laying out of the same or in case the same or any portion thereof has been opened to and used by the public and the use of the same or any portion thereof by the public has ceased for a period of twenty-one years such laying out opening or use of the same or portion thereof shall be and have no force and effect and said street lane or alley shall not be opened without the consent of the owner or owners of the land on which the same has been or shall be laid out

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 371, as follows

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and twenty-four) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 372, as follows

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county" approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county" approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and seventy-four) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 373, as follows

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing of Allegheny County the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela river authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown relative to miners in Schuylkill County legatimiting James C. Collins relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York" approved the fourteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections two and three of an act entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing of Allegheny County the rights and privileges and advantages of children borne in lawful wedlock in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela river authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown relative to miners in Schuylkill County legitimitizing James C. Collins relative to the premium on fox scalps in the county of York" approved the fourteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and forty-one) be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 377, as follows

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass except actions for libel and slander prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein and giving the courts power to enforce its provisions" approved the fourteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing that counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pensylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the twelfth section of an act approved the fourteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass except actions for libel and slander prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein and giving the court's power to enforce its provisions" with reads as follows

"Section 12 The defendant shall file an affidavit of defense to the statement of claim within fifteen days from the day when the statement was served upon him The

affidavit of defense shall be as brief as the nature of the case will admit It shall be sworn to by the defendant or some person having knowledge of the facts It shall be served upon the plaintiff or his attorney at the address for the service of papers indorsed on the statement of claim and shall be indorsed with the name of defendant's attorney or of the defendant if he defends in person and an address within the county where all papers are to be served" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 12 The defendant shall file an affidavit of defense to the staement of claim within fifteen days from the day when the statement was served upon him The affidavit of defense shall be as brief as the nature of the case will admit It shall be sworn to by the defendant or some person having knowledge of the facts It shall be served upon the plaintiff or his attorney at the address for the service of papers indorsed on the statement of claim and shall be indorsed with the name of the defendant's attorney or of the defendant if he defends in person and an address within the county where all papers are to be served Provided That counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file an affidavit of defense

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 378, as follows

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand and not more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of female children under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishment maintenance and management thereof" approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an act entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand and not more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of female children under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishment maintenance and management thereof" approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and forty-four) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 385 (House Bill No. 120), entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 386 (House Bill No. 270), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended, providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 387 (House Bill No. 141), entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 390 (House Bill No. 104), as follows:

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of ar act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department

Whereas An act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen providing for United States aid in the construction of State rural post roads and

Whereas The act of Congress providing for said aid requires the States receiving the benefits of said act to signify their assent to the same and

Whereas The Governor of the Commonwealth in accordance with the provisions of said act has already signified the assent of this Commonwealth to the purposes and conditions thereof pending the action of the State Legislature therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby given to the act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" with all its provisions and conditions and further pledges the faith of the Commonwealth to make adequate provisions to meet the Federal apportionment and properly to maintain the roads so constructed

Section 2 The State Highway Department through its head the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to enter into all necessary contracts and agreements with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of said act of Congress

Section 3 The Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this act to the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 392 (House Bill No. 111), entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That from and after the first Monday of January nineteen hundred and eighteen the fee for jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings or upon any proceedings or by virtue of any writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth directing an inquest or requiring the services of jurors the fee for the services performed by said jurors shall be the sum of three dollars and fifty cents for each and every session at which said juror shall be in attendance

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, in line 1, by striking out after the word "of" the word "Three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Five."

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 2, by inserting after the word "county" the words " having a population of over five hundred thousand."

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 397 (House Bill No. 432), entitled

An Act to amend Section 1 of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants, advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, shall be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine, so as to cause advertisements and notices, required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation, unless dispensed with by special order of court, to be published in the legal newspaper, issued at least weekly, of the proper county, designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, or more, instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants, as required by the first act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 399 (House Bill No. 618), entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

The first, second, third, fourth and fifth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the waters of Lake Erie within the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth is hereby closed for a period of five years to the catching of or fishing for Sturgeon Such five year period shall commence to run from the time of the adoption or passage of the last rule order resolution or statute by the Province and States hereinafter designated

Section 2 No person shall catch or fish for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth during the closed season provided by the preceding section of this act

Section 3 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in a summerary proceeding before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall be sentenced for each offense to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100.00) or to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding one year or both

All fines imposed under this section shall be paid to such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace and by such officer immediately sent to the Commissioner of Fisheries at Harrisburg together with a statement of the prosecution in which the fine was imposed and for which statement such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace is allowed the sum of fifty cents All moneys arising from such fines shall immediately on its receipt be paid by the Commissioner of Fisheries into the State Treasury

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

Section 5 The provisions of this act shall not become effective until a rule order or regulation shall be adopted by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada and a statute shall be passed by each of the states of New York and Ohio which rule order regulation or statutes shall prescribe a similar closed season under penalty for catching or fishing for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie respectively under the jurisdiction of the said Province of Ontario and the states of New York and Ohio

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 6 by striking out "Canda" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Canada".

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 400 (House Bill No. 724), entitled

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for councils of cities of the first class to authorize in a manner prescribed by councils the purchase of food products to be afterward sold to residents of said cities at cost the proceeds of said sales to be disposed of in such manner as said councils may direct

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, line 5, by striking out after the word "of" where it appears the second time the words "the first class" and

inserting in lieu thereof the words "this Commonwealth"; also in line 7, by striking out after the words "products" the words "to be afterward sold" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and the sale thereof"; also in line 8, by striking out the words "at cost the proceeds of said sales to be disposed of."

Mr. MARTIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to authorize councils of cities of the first class to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

On the question

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 1 by striking out after the word "of" where it appears the first time the words "cities of the first class" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the cities of this Commonwealth."

Mr. MARTIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 468, as follows

An Act to enable two or more boroughs that are contiguous or in close proximiity to be united and to become one city wherever each of said boroughs shall have heretofore voted or shall hereafter vote to become a city of the third class under laws now enacted or which may hereafter be enacted and wherever each of said boroughs has duly received or shall hereafter duly receive letters patent constituting it a city of the third class but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed after the granting of such letters patent for the holding of a municipal election providing for the consequences of such consolidation the government of such consolidated city the payment of the indebtedness of each of the united territories and the enforcement of debts and claims due to and from each and fixing the jurisdiction over the said consolidated city in the courts of the county in which the majority of its inhabitants shall reside

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "municipality" when used in this act shall mean a borough to which letters patent constituting it a city of the third class have been issued but in which sufficient time has not yet elapsed for the holding of a municipal election at which city officers may be elected as provided by law

Section 2 Whenever in this Commonwealth now or hereafter an election shall have been heretofore held or may hereafter be held in each of two or more boroughs which are contiguous or in close proximity to each other in accordance with law for the purpose of determining whether or not in each case such boroughs shall become a city of the third class and when in each of such boroughs a majority of the electors have heretofore duly voted or shall hereafter duly vote in favor of each of such boroughs becoming a city of the third class and where letters patent shall have heretofore been duly granted or shall have been duly granted hereafter to each under the great seal of the Commonwealth constituting each a city of the third class and defining the boundaries of each but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed subsequent to such grant of letters patent for the holding of the municipal election immediately following the same and where therefore the organization of the city government shall not yet have taken place such municipalities may be united and become one city by annexing and consolidating the lesser with the greatest of the said municipalities thus making one consolidated city if at an election to be held as hereinafter provided which election may be held at such time as may be duly specified there shall be a majority of the total number of votes cast in each municipality in favor of such union into one city

Section 3 Such annexation or consolidation shall be made under the following conditions

(a) The councils of the municipalities may of their own initiative or shall within sixty days after each is requested in writing by at least one hundred qualified electors of the respective municipality enter into a joint agreement under the corporate seal of each municipality for the consolidation thereof into one city The joint agreement shall set forth the name of the consolidated city the number of wards if any into which the said city is to be divided and the territorial boundaries thereof It may also set forth such terms as have been agreed upon for the disposition of the assets of each of the municipalities and for the liquidation of the indebtedness of each of the municipalities either jointly separately or in certain defined proportions and the adjusting and paying of the same by separate rates of taxation on all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of such municipalities respectively

(b) The question of the consolidation of such municipalities shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of each municipality at a special election to be held on a day to be designated in the joint agreement The election shall be held by the regular election officers and in accordance with the provisions of the laws regulating elections If such special election shall be ordered within ninety days of any general or municipal election the election shall be held on the day fixed for the holding of such election Notice of such election shall be given by proclamation by the high constables of the respective municipalities in the manner prescribed for proclamations for elections of municipal officers

(c) The election shall be by ballot which shall be marked "Proposed consolidation" and below shall be printed the words "For consolidation" and "Against consolidation" and the elector shall designate with an "X" his desire to vote for or against such consolidation

(d) If the majority of the total number of votes cast in each of the municipalities for and against the proposed consolidation at such election is in favor of the ratification of the agreement that fact shall be certified to the council of the greatest of the two or more municipalities by the respective election boards or return judges and the chief executive officer and secretary of the said municipality shall cause a certification of the result to be indorsed upon the joint agreement

(e) The agreement or a certified copy thereof with its indorsements shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth Upon the filing thereof the Governor shall cause letters patent to be issued under the great seal of the Commonwealth annexing and consolidating the lesser with the greatest of the said municipalities so that they form but one city and in the name set forth in the joint agreement A copy of such agreement duly certified by the Secretary of the Commonwealth under the seal of his office shall be evidence of the consolidation of said municipalities

(f) All costs and expenses incurred in such consolidation or proposed consolidation except those incurred in any general election at which the question of consolidation is submitted shall be paid by the consolidated city if such consolidation takes place and if not such cost and expenses shall be paid in equal shares by each of the municipalities proposing to consolidate.

Section 4 The separate charter of each of the two or more municipalities shall continue in full force and operation and all officers under the same shall hold their respective offices until the first Monday of January following the municipal election next succeeding the election at which the question of consolidation was voted upon and until that time such municipalities shall remain under separate governments in all respects as if no consolidation had been voted upon

Section 5 At the municipal election next succeeding the election at which the question of consolidation has been voted upon the electors of the two or more municipalities shall elect one set of officers for the consolidated city and no separate officers for the respective municipalities shall be voted for The officers so elected shall take office on the first Monday of January following their election at which time the government of the consolidated city shall be organized

Section 6 The ordinances in force in each of such municipalities at the time when the city government of the said consolidated city shall be organized shall continue in force throughout the territory for which they were originally enacted until altered or repealed by the consolidated city

Section 7 After such consolidation the rights privileges and franchises of each of the said municipalities and all the property real personal and mixed and all debts due on whatever account and other things in action belonging to each of such municipalities shall be vested in the consolidated city The title to real estate vested in either of such municipalities shall not revert or be in any way impaired by reason of such consolidation All rights of creditors and liens shall be preserved and all debts liabilities and duties of either of such municipalities shall attach to such consolidated city and be enforced against it

Section 8 Any city formed by the consolidation as herein provided for of two or more municipalities situated in different counties or parts of which are situated in different

counties shall be considered as under the jurisdiction of the courts of that county in which the majority of the inhabitants of the consolidated city reside

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 487, as follows

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for

Whereas By the provision of the twenty-third section of the act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighteen) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the Appointment of a State Highway Commissioner and staff of assistants and defining the powers and duties thereof authorizing the State Highway Department to co-operate with the several counties and townships and with boroughs in certain instances in the improvement of the public highways and the maintenance of improved highways providing for the application of counties and townships for State-aid in highway improvement and maintenance providing for the payment of the cost of highway improvements made under the provisions of this act by the State the counties and the townships and making an appropriation for this purpose and providing a penalty for maliciously destroying improved roads" as amended by the act approved the eighth day of June one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws five hundred five) entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner and staff of assistants and defining the powers and duties thereof authorizing the State Highway Department to co-operate with the several counties and townships and with boroughs in certain instances in the improvement of the public highways and the maintenance of improve highways providing for the application of counties and townships for State-aid in highway improvement and maintenance providing for the payment of the cost of highway improvements made under the provisions of this act by the State the counties and the townships and making an appropriation for this purpose and providing a penalty for maliciously destroying improved roads' approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five increasing the number of employes of the State Highway Department and fixing the amounts of their salaries eliminating from the items included in the expense of construction and from those covered by damages the cost of changes of grade extending the provisions of the act to incorporated towns increasing the percentage which may be paid to contractors in advance of the final completion of the work authorizing the setting of monuments and planting of trees along State highways prohibiting the construction of gas or water lines along State highways except under certain conditions and providing that the kind of roads to be built shall be decided by the State Highway Commissioner" the supervisors and commissioners of counties and townships which desire State-aid in maintaining the highways thereof were required to file with the State Highway Department on or before the first day of May in each year sworn petitions requesting State aid and setting forth the number of miles of highways improved and the cost of the same together with the condition of said improved highways and the average annual cost of maintaining the same and

Whereas The supervisors of the township of New Garden in the County of Chester made important improvements to a certain section of State-aid road within said township but through inadvertence on the part of the supervisors no petition was filed with the State Highway Department in accordance with the above recited Act of Assembly and

Whereas The amount expended by said township of New Garden for the improvement of said State-aid road was ten thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars and twenty cents three-fourths of which should have been paid by the Commonwealth as provided by the above recited Acts therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of seven thousand six hundred sixty-eight dollars and ninety-three cents ($7,668.93) is hereby specifically appropriated for the purpose of reimbursing the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester being three-fourths of the amount expended by said township in the improvement of certain section of State-aid highway in said township in accordance with the terms of the above recited acts but which through inadvertence on the part of the supervisors in neglecting to file the petitions required by said acts was not paid to said Township of New Garden

Section 2 Said moneys shall be paid only on warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer on certified vouchers of the State Highway Department and no money shall be paid until a petition sworn to as required by said acts shall have been filed with the State Highway Department

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading nad consideration of Senate Bill No. 492, as follows

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of two hundred and nineteen thousand ($219,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated as an emergency appropriation to the trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk Pennsylvania for the following purposes namely

For power house equipment and the remodeling of the institution heating lighting and ventilating system the sum of two hundred and nineteen thousand ($219,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary

Said appropriation shall become available for use by the said trustees immediately upon the approval of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 504, as follows

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River and making an appropriation therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the word "bridge" wherever used in this act shall mean any bridge wherever toll is charged over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey except such bridges as are used exclusively for railroad or railway purposes and shall include the actual bridge the approaches thereto and all real and personal property including the franchise belonging to the owner or owners of such bridge used in the operation and maintenance of same

Section 2 The Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby constituted a commission to act in conjunction with a similar commission of the State of New Jersey as a joint commission for the acquisition of the various toll-bridges over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth and the State of New Jersey

Section 3 The acquisition of said toll-bridges may be either by purchase or by condemnation proceedings as said joint commission may deem more expedient The one-half of the cost of acquiring said bridges shall be paid by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 4 The said joint commission as soon as conveniently may be after the passage of this act shall ascertain or estimate the value of each of such bridges and shall in writing give notice of such valuation to the respective owner or owners thereof Such notice shall contain an offer to purchase such bridge at the respective valuation

Section 5 In the event that the owner or owners of any such bridge refuse or neglect to accept such offer it shall be the duty of said joint commission to determine in which State the said condemnation proceedings may be instituted

Section 6 In the event that said joint commission determine to institute any such condemnation proceedings in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania application shall be made by the Attorney General or by the owner or owners of any such bridge to the common pleas court of the county in which the head of such bridge it situated for the appointment of viewers Whereupon said court or any law judge thereof shall appoint three discreet and disinterested freeholders to view such bridge and estimate the value thereof None of said freeholders shall be a resident of the county wherein such application shall be made The said court shall fix a time not less than twenty nor more than thirty days thereafter when said viewers shall meet upon the property and view the same The said viewers shall cause at least ten days personal notice of the time and place of such first meeting to be given to the Auditor General and to the owner or owners of such bridge if resident within said county If said owner is a corporation such notice shall be given to the president secretary or treasurer thereof if such officer resides within said county If neither said owner or any of said officers resides within said county or cannot be found therein notice of such first meeting shall be given as said court may direct

Section 7 The said viewers having been duly sworn or affirmed faithfully and impartially to perform the duties required of them under the provisions of this act shall at

the time fixed for said first meeting proceed to ascertain as accurately as may be the value of such bridge and to that end may require the attendance of any person whose testimony may be pertinent thereto and the production of any such books and papers as said viewers may deem necessary If any person shall refuse to appear and testify before said viewers or refuse to produce such books and papers when thereto required the said court or any judge thereof shall upon application of said viewers or a quorum thereof make such order therein as may be necessary

Section 8 Whenever said viewers shall have ascertained the value of said bridge they shall prepare a full report of their labors Said report shall include a plan showing the location of said bridge Upon the completion of said report the viewers shall fix a time when they shall meet and exhibit same Ten days' written notice of the time and place of such meeting shall be given to said Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings to the Attorney General and to the owner or owners of said bridge At the time and place mentioned in such notice the said viewers shall meet and shall publicly exhibit said report and hear all exceptions thereto After making any changes in such report as they may deem necessary the same shall be filed in said court

Section 9 Within thirty days after the filing of said report in said court the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any person interested may file exceptions thereto whereupon said court may confirm said report absolutely or modify it or refer it back to the same or to new viewers with like powers and duties as the former viewers

Section 10 Within thirty days after final action on said report by the court the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any person interested may demand a trial by jury or may appeal to the Supreme Court

Section 11 The cost of said condemnation proceedings including the court costs compensation of viewers and the advertising herein required shall be paid by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Each of said viewers shall receive a sum not exceeding five dollars ($5.00) for each day actually and necessarily employed in the performance of the duties herein prescribed

Section 12 The one-half part of the purchase of said bridges or of the damages awarded under said condemnation proceedings shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania upon warrants drawn by the Auditor General under such conditions as may be prescribed by said Auditor General

Section 13 As soon as said joint commission and said owners shall have agreed upon the price of any such bridge or as soon as said joint commission shall have determined to acquire any such bridge by condemnation proceedings the said joint commission if funds sufficient for the purchase of the bridge are available shall at once take possession of such bridge in the joint names of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey Toll charges on such bridge shall thereupon cease and such bridge shall thereafter be free to the traveling public under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by such joint commission or their lawful successors Any railroad or railway now having the use of any such bridge by lease or agreement shall continue to pay to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey in equal proportions the same rental charges and in the same manner as such charges are now paid to the owner or owners of such bridges

Until the amount of such purchase price is paid to the owner or owners of such bridge interest shall be paid thereon at the rate of six per centum Interest at the same rate shall be paid on any award or verdict under condemnation proceedings from the time of taking such bridge until the termination of such proceedings by final decree of said court or of final decree on an appeal to the Supreme Court if any be taken

Section 14 Upon the acquisition of any such bridge by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey the same shall remain in the charge and control of said joint commission or their successors Such bridge shall thereafter be maintained jointly by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey shall be kept in constant repair and shall be rebuilt when destroyed The one-half of any and all expense connected with such maintenance repair or rebuilding shall be paid by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 15 To carry out the provisions of this act the unexpended balance appropriated under the provisions of the act entitled "An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll bridges over the Delaware River and making an appropriation therefor" is hereby specifically re-appropriated and in addition thereto the sum of two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) is hereby specifically appropriated The amounts herein appropriated shall be available until the purposes of this act may be accomplished and shall not be held or construed to have lapsed for the reason that the same was not used within a specified time after the passage of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS RECOMMITTED.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 504, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 520, on second reading, entitled

An Act relating to the service of the libel and subpoena in proceedings for divorce from the bonds of matrimony in this State, and determining the effect to be given in this State to decrees of divorce granted by the courts of a foreign state or country.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. CROFT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 543, as follows

An Act defining cold storage and regulating time of storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That for the purpose of this act "cold storage" shall mean the "storage" shall mean the storage or keeping of articles of food at or below a temperature above zero of thirty-four (34) degrees Fahrenheit in a cold storage warehouse "Cold storage warehouse" shall mean any place artificially cooled to or below a temperature above zero of thirty-four degrees Fahrenheit in which articles of food are placed and held for thirty days or more "articles of food" shall mean fresh meat and fresh meat products and all fresh food game poultry eggs and butter

Section 2 No person firm or corporation shall maintain or operate a cold storage warehouse without a license so to do issued by the Dairy and Food Commissioner Any person firm or corporation desiring such a license shall make written application to the Dairy and Food Commissioner for that purpose stating the location of the warehouse The Dairy and Food Commissioner thereupon shall cause an examination to be made of said warehouse and if it be found by him to be in a proper sanitary condition and otherwise properly equipped for its intended use he shall issue a license authorizing the applicant to operate the same as a cold storage warehouse during one year The license shall be issued upon payment by the applicant of a license fee of fifty dollars ($50) to the Treasurer of the State

Section 3 In case any cold storage warehouse or any part thereof shall at any time be deemed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner to be in an unsanitary condition or not properly equipped for its intended use he shall notify the licensee of such condition and upon the failure of the licensee to put such cold storage warehouse in a sanitary condition or to properly equip the same for its intended use within a time to be designated by the Dairy and Food Commissioner he shall revoke such license

Section 4 Every such licensee shall keep accurate records of the articles of food received in and of the articles of food withdrawn from his cold storage warehouse and the Dairy and Food Commissioner shall have free access to such records at any time

Section 5 The Dairy and Food Commissioner shall inspect and supervise all cold storage warehouses and make such inspection of articles of food therein as he may deem necessary to secure the proper enforcement of this act and he shall have access to all cold storage warehouses at all reasonable times The Dairy and Food Commissioner may appoint such persons as he deems qualified to make any inspection under this act

Section 6 No article of food intended for human consumption shall be placed received or kept in any cold storage warehouse if knowingly diseased tainted or otherwise unfit for human consumption or knowingly in such condition that it will not keep wholesome for human consumption No article of food for use other than for human consumption shall be placed received or kept in any cold storage warehouse unless previously marked in accordance with forms to be prescribed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner in such way as to indicate plainly the fact that such article of food is not to be sold or used for human food

Section 7 No person firm or corporation shall place receive or keep in any cold storage warehouse in this State articles of food unless the same shall be plainly marked stamped or tagged either upon the container in which they are packed or upon the article of food itself with the month and year when placed therein or in the case of articles of food being stored therein in bulk the month and year of original storage shall be marked upon the doors or walls of the rooms in which the same are stored and when such articles are removed such month and year shall be marked upon the container in which the same shall be removed and no person firm or corporation shall remove or allow to be removed such articles of food from any cold storage warehouse unless the same shall be plainly marked stamped or tagged either on the container in which it is enclosed or upon the article of food itself with the month and year of

such removal and such marks stamps and tags shall be prima facie evidence of such receipt and removal of the dates thereof All articles of food in any cold storage warehouse at the time this act goes into effect shall before being removed therefrom be plainly marked stamped or tagged with the month and year when this act goes into effect and the date of removal therefrom

Section 8 No person firm or corporation shall hereafter keep or permit to remain in any cold storage warehouse any article of food which has been held in cold storage either within or without the State for a longer aggregate period than ten months

Section 9 It shall be unlawful to sell or to offer for sale any article of food which has been held for a period of thirty days or over in cold storage either within or without the State without notifying persons purchasing or intending to purchase the same that it has been so held by the display of a placard plainly and conspicuously marked "Cold Storage Goods" on the bulk mass or articles of food and it shall be unlawful to represent or advertise as fresh any article of food which has been held in cold storage for a period of thirty days or over

Section 10 It shall be unlawful to return to any cold storage warehouse any article of food which has been once released from storage for the purpose of placing it on the market for sale It shall be unlawful to transfer any article of food from one cold storage warehouse to another if such transfer is made for the purpose of avoiding any provision of this act and such transfer shall be unlawful unless all prior stampings markings and taggings upon such article shall remain thereon

Section 11 The Dairy and Food Commissioner may make all necessary rules and regulations to carry this act into effect Such rules and regulations shall be filed in the Commissioner's office and shall not take effect until thirty (30) days after such filing

Section 12 Any person firm or corporation violating any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be punished for the first offense by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars ($200) and for the second or any subsequent offense by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars ($300) or by an imprisonment of not more than one year or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court

Section 13 An act approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixteen) entitled "An Act for the protection of the public health and the prevention of fraud and deception by regulating the storage and sale of cold storage foods fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof" and the amendments thereto and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 543 the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 216, entitled

An Act relating to the salaries and expenses of the examiners in the Department of Banking.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 240, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Chestnut Hill Hospital of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 253, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgment and costs recovered in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County in the suit of Joseph Moore, James S. T. Moore, Annie M. Polk, Rebecca E. Swiggett, Mary E. Williams, Spencer C. Moore vs. Robert K. Young, Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 276, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousnad nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 303 (House Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 307 (House Bill No. 286) entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 308 (House Bill No. 324), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said department.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 310 (House Bill No. 366), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward I. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 314, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 11th day of April, 1913 (Pamphlet Laws 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof,' approved the 11th day of March, A. D. 1909; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation," providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, co-partnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell, and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 320, entitled

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by

virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred one.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 325, entitled

An Act providing for the sale distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WASHERS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 325, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 339, entitled

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents in cities of first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 361 (House Bill No. 319), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act to refund to The Sanitary Casket Protector Company of Berks County, money erroneously paid as tax on capital stock.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 384 (House Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs; making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same and for paper.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 389 (House Bill No. 3), entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 396 (House Bill No. 420), entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler Butler County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 470, entitled

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg, Mississippi, for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in June and July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee, to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park, October sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 474, entitled

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 489, entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 490, entitled

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 491, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 505, entitled

An Act directing the commission appointed under the act of April twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a commission of three persons learned in the law to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates and making an appropriation," to public preliminary drafts of bills prepared by said commission codyfying the law of decedants' estates; providing for the distribution thereof and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article three of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government to cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 533, entitled

An Act requiring boards or commissioners having charge of public grounds and parks in cities of the first class to set aside in certain cases lands suitable for the erection of a stadium.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 247, entitled

An Act to fix the salary of the Commission Clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

Mr. WEAVER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 597, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to preserve the purity of the waters of the State, for the protection of the public health," approved the twenty-second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty); extending the provisions of said act to provide for compensation to the owners of property who may be injured by the operation of said act and prescribing the manner by which said compensation shall be determined.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 401 (House Bill No. 515), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 402 (House Bill No. 516), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control, and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut-trees, commonly called the chestnut-tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof; and making an appropriation therefore," and the amendment to the same, approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and thirteen).

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 403 (House Bill No. 517), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 404 (House Bill No. 518), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 405 (House Bill No. 519), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 406 (House Bill No. 520), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 407 (House Bill No. 521), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 408 (House Bill No. 522), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 409 (House Bill No. 523), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 410 (House Bill No. 524), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 411 (House Bill No. 525), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 412 (House Bill No. 526), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 413 (House Bill No. 527), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 414 (House Bill No. 528), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 415 (House Bill No. 529), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts of justices of record and not of record.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 416 (House Bill No. 530), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to estates of decedents.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 417 (House Bill No. 531), entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 419 (House Bill No. 533), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to domestic animals.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 420 (House Bill No. 534), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 421 (House Bill No. 535), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 422 (House Bill No. 536), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 423 (House Bill No. 537), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 424 (House Bill No. 538), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 425 (House Bill No. 539), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 426 (House Bill No. 540), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 427 (House Bill No. 541), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to municipalities.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 428 (House Bill No. 542), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 429 (House Bill No. 543), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 430 (House Bill No. 544), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 431 (House Bill No. 545) entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 432 (House Bill No. 546), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 433 (House Bill No. 547), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 434 (House Bill No. 548), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 435 (House Bill No. 549), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 436 (House Bill No. 550), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 437 (House Bill No. 551), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 438 (House Bill No. 552), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 439 (House Bill No. 554), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Mill No. 440 (House Bill No. 555), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 441 (House Bill No. 556), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 442 (House Bill No. 557) entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 443 (House Bill No. 558), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as amended Senate Bill No. 444 (House Bill No. 559), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 445 (House Bill No. 560), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 446 (House Bill No. 561), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen), entitled "A Supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act to prevent the destruction of timber,' and supplementary to the act, entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods,' passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 447 (House Bill No. 562), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eleven), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue so derived, for school and road purposes," in so far as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 448 (House Bill No. 563), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to townships.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 449 (House Bill No. 564), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 450 (House Bill No. 565), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing a penalty for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads, of trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 451 (House Bill No. 566), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to trade regulations.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 452 (House Bill No. 567), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 453 (House Bill No. 568), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 454 (House Bill No. 569), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to servants.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 455 (House Bill No. 570), entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin or Adams Counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 456 (House Bill No. 571), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 457 (House Bill No. 572), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 458 (House Bill No. 573), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to oaths and affirmations.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 459 (House Bill No. 574), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 460 (House Bill No. 575), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public accounts.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 461 (House Bill No. 576), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public officers and employes.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 462 (House Bill No. 577), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 463 (House Bill No. 578), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 464 (House Bill No. 579), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 465 (House Bill No. 580), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 466 (House Bill No. 581), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 467 (House Bill No. 582), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported with a negative recommendation Senate Bill No. 418 (House Bill No. 532), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to dentistry.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CRAIG read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 607, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme, Superior, Common Pleas, and Orphans' Courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved June twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to provide for the retirement of a judge during the balance of a term for which he was elected.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read, as follows, viz:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 20, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

A. Wilson McCandless, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
Joseph Knox Stone, Pittsburgh, March 25, 1917.
R. H. Leonard, Duquesne, March 25, 1917.

BERKS COUNTY.

Miss Lillie M. Fry, Reading, March 25, 1917.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Edward N. Wilson, Autes Township, March 25, 1917.
William P. Shaefer, Logan Township, March 25, 1917.
John B. Walker, Logan Township, March 25, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Monroe Echols, Erie, April 7, 1917.

INDIANA COUNTY.

J. C. Davison, Clymer, March 25, 1917.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Isaac R. Herr, Lancaster, March 25, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Max E. Adamski, Newport Township, March 25, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Miss Marjory D. Graf, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frank J. Kerigan, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frank N. Mengel, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Louis Pierre Receveur, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Frederick G. Rhody, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Josiah M. F. Shannon, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Elizabeth Dedeker, Philadelphia, April 30, 1917.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

W. Riley Alter, New Kensington, March 25, 1917.
William H. Bailey, Latrobe, March 25, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 20, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Charles Dunbar, Pittsburgh.
Mrs. Jane M. Geoghegan, Pittsburgh.
Cyril A. Pyros, Pittsburgh.
G. C. Dodson, Tarentum.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

John F. Johnston, Apollo.

BERKS COUNTY.

Irwin B. Hoxworth, Reading.

CHESTER COUNTY.

John T. McIntire, Parkesburg.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Elliott A. Oberrender, Philadelphia.
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 503, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April 6th, A. D. 1871," approved the 6th day of March, A. D. 1872.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the 1st day of May, A. D. 1861, entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County,'" approved the 8th day of April, A. D. 1862, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

RECESS.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. HALDEMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will now be in order.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. J. FRANK GRAFF. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.35 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, March 21, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, March 20, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Our Father who art in Heaven, we Thy children gather at Thy feet this morning to begin the day with Thee. We seek a Father's blessing before we go forth.

Give us grace to meet the temptations and meet them victoriously.

Teach us to do Thy will and mark not our iniquities against us.

May we not grieve Thee by our heedlessness, our unbelief or our disobedience.

Cause us to be faithful in all our duties and skillful in our calling.

Help us to glorify Thee in the work of our hands.

We pray for all for whom it is our duty to intercede. Have mercy upon these. Receive us now into Thy care as we go our way into the unknown experiences of the day. Grant that the miracles of nature may keep us close to Thee, and save us all. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Powell, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 997.

An Act to repeal an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act in relation to equitable proceedings wherein it is, or might have been, alleged that there was an adequate remedy at law."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 998.

An Act to amend the act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto;" by providing a system for the maturing of bonds of cities of the third class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. GLASS. House Bill No. 999.

An Act authorizing the Governor to fill vacancies in the office of county commissioners in certain counties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 1000.

An Act making an appropriation to Samuel L. Egbert of Sandy Lake, Mercer County for moneys erroneously paid to the State Highway Department for motor vehicle licenses.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 1001.

An Act to amend part of section two of an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to enable the Governor to appoint Notaries Public, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. JONES. House Bill No. 1002.

An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Health of this Commonwealth for paying such expenditures as may be incurred to protect property and the public

health and to promote the safety of its citizens of this Commonwealth and others from loss and danger from mine fires, when such fires become a public nuisance in the judgment of the Commissioner of Health of this Commonwealth, and providing how such expenditures shall be made, how the Commonwealth shall be repaid; and authorizing the condemnation, destruction and appropriation of property material and compensation, and the entering of liens against the property upon which the fires may be burning, for the expense of removing such nuisance or putting out or controlling the same therefor to carry into effect the purposes of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THEODORE MORGAN. House Bill No. 1003.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the Grove City Hospital located at Grove City, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. THEODORE MORGAN. House Bill No. 1004.

An Act making an appropriation to the Christian H. Buhl Hospital, of Sharon, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 1005.

An Act creating the offices of game and fish wardens and the office of chief fish warden; prescribing their powers and duties, and fixing their salaries; providing for the payment of such salaries out of the Hunters' License Fund; abolishing the present offices of game protectors and fish wardens; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1006.

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons, and to prevent adulterations in drugs and medicinal preparations, in the State of Pennsylvania," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 1007.

An Act to further amend section three of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of game commissioners for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, defining their duties and empowering them to appoint game protectors," by abolishing game protectors and providing for the appointment of a chief game protector.

Referred to the Commite on Game.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1008.

An Act to amend the act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to prevent the manufacture and sale of adulterated or misbranded drugs; defining the word 'drug;' prescribing penalties for violation of this act, and the method of its enforcement."

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN (By request). House Bill No. 1009.

An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act providing for payment of costs in criminal cases by the proper county," approved the nineteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, by providing for payment of costs by the proper county in criminal cases where the bill of indictment has been quashed.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. McKAY (By request). House Bill No. 1010.

An Act to compel constables and police officers of the cities, boroughs, towns and townships of this Commonwealth to arrest upon view, without warrant, any person or persons violating any of the laws of this Commonwealth and making failure so to do a misdemeanor, and providing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WALKER. House Bill No. 1011.

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of Trustees of the Philadelphia Museum.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SAMPSEL. House Bill No. 1012.

An Act requiring the State Highway Department to construct a bridge over the Susquehanna River between the village of Port Treverton, in Snyder County, and the Borough of Herndon, in Northumberland County, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 1013.

An Act amending section one of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act declaring buildings and parts of buildings used for purposes of fornication, lewdness, assignation, and prostitution to be nuisance; providing a method of abating same; establishing a method of procedure against those who use said buildings, or parts, for such purposes; and providing penalties for violations of this act;" by including buildings in which vinous, spirituous, brewed or malt liquors are illicitly manufactured, brewed or sold.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 1014.

An Act requiring courts of common pleas to fix, by rule, certain days for the return of writs and other process.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 1015.

An Act to amend section ten of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, and giving the courts power to enforce its provisions," by abolishing writs of summons.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. House Bill No. 1016.

An Act making an appropriation to the Simon H. Barnes Memorial Hospital, of Susquehanna, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 1017.

An Act prohibiting the handling or driving of horses or other animals or teams or vehicles on the public highways of the Commonwealth by an intoxicated person and providing penalties therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 1018.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the County of Potter.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 1019.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the County of Potter.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 1020.

An Act relating to tax assessment returns in certain counties.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1021.

An Act to amend section three hundred and fourteen of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder."

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1022.

An Act taking away the defense of insanity in prosecutions for murder.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1023.

An Act making it a misdemeanor fo rany person under twenty-one years of age to procure or attempt to procure intoxicating liquors.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1024.

An Act to amend section thirty-seven of an act approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, entitled "An Act to consolidate, revise and amend the penal laws of this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1025.

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Banking to appoint five additional examiners, and providing for their compensation and expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1026.

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act making it a misdemeanor for any president, vice-president, cashier, treasurer, secretary, teller, bookkeeper, clerk, employe, or agent of any mutual savings bank, savings bank, bank of discount and deposit, trust company, title insurance company, surety company, or safe deposit company, incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth; or of any private bank or unincorporated association, receiving deposits of money; or of any building and loan association, incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth, or authorized to do business therein; his or their aiders and abettors, to embezzle, abstract or wilfully misapply any of the moneys, funds, or credits of such institution; or to issue certificates of deposit, draw any order or bill of exchange, make any acceptance, assign any note, bond, draft, bill of exchange, mortgage, judgment, or other instrument in writing, without authority from the directors of such institution, with intent to deceive or defraud; or to make a false entry in the books, reports or statements thereof, with like intent; prescribing penalties, and authorizing the Banking Commissioner to institute prosecutions."

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1027.

An Act to provide for retirement of official stenographers of courts, permanently disabled by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half compensation, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1028.

An Act authoriizng James L. Baker and Mary A. Baker, his wife, of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 1029.

A Joint Resolution for the appointment of a commission by the Governor of this Commonwealth for the purpose of amending, revising, and collating the laws touching upon and relating to dependent, defective, delinquent, neglected, incorrigible, and illegitimate children of this State, and for the further purpose of suggesting new legislation for the care and welfare of such children, and making an appropriation to meet the expenses of said commission.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. CONNER. House Bill No. 1030.

An Act constituting the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a commission to act as a joint commission with similar commissions of any other contiguous State or States, or as an independent commission, for the purpose of planning and accomplishing the erection or building of one or more bridges or tunnels, as may be suitable and necessary, over or under any navigable stream or river which is one of the boundaries of this Commonwealth, and providing for the acquisition of ground for the site and approaches of said bridge or tunnel, and for the maintenance of the same by the county or counties wherein it is located.

Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1032.

An Act validating certain proceedings and elections of any town, township or borough held to submit and determine the question of becoming a city of the third class, held pursuant to an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, as amended by the act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and validating letters patent issued or to be issued in pursuance thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1033.

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents, to partitions in the Common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators, to pleadings in certain actions of debt, to action of ejectments, to the protection of fences, to partnerships, to limitations of writs of entry in manors, lands, and tenements, to the exemption laws, to reports of the Supreme Court, to appeals relating to wards, boroughs, and township officers, to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates," by regulating the number of appraisers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 1034.

An Act to provide for the incorporation and regualtion of mutual insurance companies, other than life, and for the licensing and regulation of such companies from other states, and to repeal existing laws.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 1035.

An Act making an appropriation to the Robert Wood Industrial Home and Day Nursery, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MERVINE. House Bill No. 1036.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Board of Education, for the purchase by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of State Normal Schools in this Commonwealth, and for liquidating the indebtedness of the same existing at the time of the purchase thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judicial Apportionment reported as amended House Bill No. 877, entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioner of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

Mr. SIMPSON, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended House Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes, by topics, of the existing general laws of this Commonwealth, for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly; fixing the compensation of the assistant director; and making an appropriation therefor," fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein, and making an appropriation.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 43, entitled

An Act to provide badges for the officers and enlisted men who served in the Army or Navy of the United States during the Spanish war and Philippine Insurrection and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. BENCHOFF, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of

the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted, and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary,' approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three," so that said bridges may be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without advertising for bids, if done under the supervision of the county commissioners.

Mr. BENCHOFF, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 879, entitled

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to townships supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as amended House Bill No. 820, entitled

An Act requiring the erection of detour signs by the authorities by whose direction any public highway may be closed, and providing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to divorce."

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BENCHOFF asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Walter for the balance of the week.

Mr. McCURDY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Brumbaugh.

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Rogers.

RESOLUTION GRANTING USE OF HALL OF HOUSE TO THE COMMITTEE ON MINING.

Mr. DAWSON offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, that the use of the Hall of the House be granted the Mines and Mining Committee on the afternoon of March 28, beginning at two o'clock, for the purpose of a public hearing on the Scarlett Surface Support Bill.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection the Chair would like to take up bills on second reading first so that they can go to the printer and be prepared for consideration to-morrow morning and thus avoid being detained by the filing.

If there is no objection the committee of the whole will be dispensed with for the entire calendar of second reading bills.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 414, as follows:

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a public service commission for the regualtion aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers including the exclusive power to regulate the construction alteration relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested the state or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases providing the terms salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commissions and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the public service commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the constitution relative to railroads and canals' and an act entitled 'To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars' approved twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" providing for switch and other connections between the lines of street railway companies and railway lines owned leased or operated by municipal corporations when required by the Public Service Commission providing for the establishment of through routes and joint rates over such connecting lines and prescribing and defining the duties of the Public Service Commission relating to such connections through routes and joint rates

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of every street railway corporation in this Commonwealth to construct and maintain whenever the commission may require the same such switch or other connections with or between its line or lines of railway and lines of railway owned leased or operated by any municipal corporation where the same is reasonably practicable to form a continuous line of transportation and to cause the conveyance of persons and property to be without unreasonable interruption or delay and to establish through routes and service therein and just and reasonable joint rates fares and charges applicable thereto and shall not discriminate in the said rates fares charges or in any rules or regulations applicable thereto between any such connecting lines

Section 2 That the Public Service Commission shall have power to require street railway corporations to construct and maintain such switch or other connections with and between their lines of street railway and lines of street railway owned leased or operated by municipal corporations as are reasonably practicable and as the commission shall deem necessary and proper for the service accommodation and convenience of the public and shall also have power to establish through routes and joint rates and classifications for the conveyance of persons and property over said connecting lines whenever the street railway and municipal corporations concerned shall have refused or neglected voluntarily to establish such through routes and joint rates and classifications and to prescribe the just terms and conditions under which said routes shall be operated.

The commission shall in case of failure of the street railway and municipal corporations concerned to agree among themselves upon the division of the cost of construction maintenance and operation of the connections thus provided for or the allowance to be made for the interchange of service or the apportionment of any joint rates ascertain and by order prescribe and fix the equitable and just apportionment and division of the same

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 488, as follows:

An Act providing for leave to pay fines and costs in criminal proceedings by installments

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person sentenced to pay a fine or to pay the costs of any criminal proceeding against

him either in addition to or without a term of imprisonment under any Act of Assembly or municipal or borough ordinance may in the discretion of the sentencing authority be given leave to pay such fine or costs by installments

Section 2 In giving leave under the foregoing section the sentencing authority shall fix the amount of each installment and the dates of payment but no order giving such leave shall prescribe a period longer than twelve months for the completion of payment of the entire fine or costs

Section 3 Upon default in payment of any one installment under any such order the entire unpaid balance of the fine or costs shall at once become due and payable

Section 4 An order under section one of this act giving leave to pay a fine or costs by installments shall not bar the sentencing authority from issuing a warrant of commitment against the defendant but the execution of such warrant shall be stayed until default occurs in the payment of any installment

Section 5 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 176, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred nineteen) entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties, providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and nineteen) entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation" which reads as follows

"Section 3 One primary shall be held each year in every election district of this Commonwealth in which nominations are to be made or delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen or party officers including members of the National committee are to be elected as herein provided The said primaries shall be held on the third Tuesday of September in all odd-numbered years and on the third Tuesday of May in all even-numbered years the primary held on the third Tuesday of September shall be known as the Fall primary and the primary held on the third Tuesday of May shall be known as the Spring primary.

"Candidates for all offices to be filled at the general election shall be nominated at the Spring primary Delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen and such party officers including members of the National committee as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by a vote of the party electors shall be elected at the Spring primary except as otherwise provided in this act

"The vote for candidates for the office of President of the United States as herein provided for shall be cast at the Spring primary

"Candidates for all offices to be filled at the municipal election shall be nominated at the Fall primary" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 One primary shall be held each year in every election district of this Commonwealth in which nominations are to be made or delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen or party officers including members of the National committee are to be elected as herein provided The said primaries shall be held on the first Tuesday of September in all odd-numbered years and on the third Tuesday of May in all even-numbered years The primary held on the third Wednesday of September shall be known as the Fall primary and the primary held on the third Tuesday of May shall be known as the Spring primary

Candidates for all offices to be held at the general election shall be nominated at the Spring primary Delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen and such party officers including members of the National committee as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by a vote of the party electors shall be elected at the Spring primary except as otherwise provided in this act

The vote for candidates for the office of President of the United States as herein provided for shall be cast at the Spring primary

Candidates for all offices to be filled at the municipal election shall be nominated at the Fall primary

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 3, line 27, by striking out "first Tuesday" and inserting in lieu thereof "third Wednesday."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred nineteen), entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to national party conventions and of certain party officers including state committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the state of the expenses of the same; authorizing the state committee of a political party to make and to alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided herein and repealing inconsistent legislation."

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 852, as follows:

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the borough of Somerset county of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met by virtue of the power vested in it by section eleven of article first of the Constitution of Pennsylvania does hereby authorize and allow the Somerset Contracting Company a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the borough of Somerset County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due and owing the said Somerset Contracting Company arising out of contracts entered into between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the State Highway Commissioner and the said Somerset Contracting Company for the construction of a State highway known as State-Aid Applications Numbers two hundred and fifty-four and two hundred and ninety-four in Moon and Hopewell townships Beaver county Said suit or suits shall be subject to the same rules of pleading evidence and appeal as in

other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suits hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 799, entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the court of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas oyer and terminer and general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants shall receive such salary as shall be fixed by the respective courts not exceeding the sum of sixteen hundred dollars nor less than one thousand dollars per annum The said salary to be paid out of the county treasury monthly

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts general local or special inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 This act shall not be construed to repeal or limit any of the provisions of the act entitled "An Act fixing the salary or compensation of the crier of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace oyer and terminer and general jail delivery in several counties of this Commonwealth having more than one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants", approved June ninth one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred twenty-one)

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. STEEDLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 2, line 10, by inserting "and" after "peace."

Amend section 3, page 2, line 11, by inserting "the" before "several."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act to regulation the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. STEEDLE. Mr. Speaker I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 1, by striking out "regulation" and inserting in lieu thereof "regulate."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 264, as follows:

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-seven) entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease and the compensation therefor"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-seven) entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease and the compensation therefor" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever to prevent the spread of disease other than aphthous fever commonly known as foot-and-mouth-disease it shall be deemed necessary by any member officer or agent of the State Livestock Sanitary Board to cause any domestic animal to be killed the State Veterinarian may cause to be paid to the owner of such animal two-thirds of the fair market value thereof taking into consideration the condition of the animal as to disease and the nature and extent of the disease and its present and probable effect on the animal and having regard to the probable sums to be derived from the sale of the carcass hide and offal The amount paid by the State shall in no case exceed for a horse jack or mule the sum of sixty dollars for a non-registered bovine animal the sum of forty dollars for a registered bovine animal the sum of seventy dollars for a sheep or pig the sum of ten dollars The amount paid by the State together with the estimated value of the carcass hide and offal shall not exceed ninety per centum of the fair market value of the animal When any animal is so killed the owner subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the State Livestock Sanitary Board may dispose of the whole or any part of the carcass and of the hides and offal in such manner as may not tend to spread disease or affect the health of the public Whenever to prevent the spread of aphthous fever commonly known as foot-and-mouth-disease it shall be deemed necessary by any member officer or agent of said board to cause any domestic animal to be killed the State Veterinarian shall cause to be paid to the owner of the animal the fair market value thereof without taking into consideration the condition of the animal as to the disease" be amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever to prevent the spread of disease other than aphthous fever commonly known as foot-and-mouth-disease it shall be deemed necessary by any member officer or agent of the State Livestock Sanitary Board to cause any domestic animal to be killed the State Veterinarian may cause to be paid to the owner of such animal two-thirds of the fair market value thereof taking into consideration the condition of the animal as to disease and the nature and extent of the disease and its present and probable effect on the animal and having regard to the probable sums to be derived from the sale of the carcass hide and offal The amount paid by the State except as hereinafter provided shall in no case exceed for a horse jack or mule the sum of sixty dollars for a non-registered bovine animal the sum of forty dollars for a registered bovine animal the sum of seventy dollars for a sheep or pig the sum of ten dollars In case however any bovine animal affected with tuberculosis or which reacts under the tuberculin test shall be killed as herein provided the following sums shall be paid for every non-registered bovine animal the sum of sixty dollars for every registered bovine animal the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars The amount paid by the State together with the estimated value of the carcass hide and offal shall not exceed ninety per centum of the fair market value of the animal When any animal is so killed the owner subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the State Livestock Sanitary Board may dispose of the whole or any part of the carcass and of the hides and offal in such manner as may not tend to spread disease or affect the health of the public Whenever to prevent the spread of aphthous fever commonly known as foot-and-mouth-disease it shall be deemed necessary by any member officer or agent of said board to cause any domestic animal to be killed the State Veterinarian shall cause to be paid to the owner of the animal the fair market value thereof without taking into consideration the condition of the animal as to the disease

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 843, as follows:

An Act authorizing Edward Fay and Son a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Edward Fay and Son a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Edward Fay and Son incorporated arising out of a contract entered into between the said Edward Fay and Son incorporated [illegible] Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as represented by the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania State Village for Feeble Minded Women at Laurelton near Glen Iron Union County for the erection of a building at Laurelton Union County Pennsylvania

This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 770 entitled

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners' inquests and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That each person attending a coroners inquest in answer to a subpoena shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar cents for each day of attendance and mileage at the rate of three cents for every mile circular actually travelled in attending such inquest

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WOOD. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 6, by striking out "cents."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 The coroner shall certify with his report the name of each witness the time such witness attended any inquest and the amount of fees and mileage such witness is entitled to receive On confirmation of the report by the court of quarter sessions the county commissioners shall draw warrants upon the county treasury for the payment of such fees and mileage

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners inquests and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 942 (Senate Bill No. 157), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such election.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district within this Commonwealth to increase its indebtedness under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and under the acts amendatory thereof where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of the increase of indebtedness be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such county city borough township school district or incorporated district did not by separate and independent action prior to the ordinance or vote in pursuance of which notice of the election was given to the electors signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness to the amount as set forth in the notice of election or did not in the words of the act and supplements aforesaid authorizing such increase signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or where the ordinance or vote signifying such desire or providing for the notice of election was not advertised posted or recorded as required by law or where the ballots were not certified or signed by the county commissioners or were not printed on the official ballot after the list of candidates but were printed on separate ballots or where full complete and proper return of the votes was not made to the proper court or counted by the court and notwithstanding any defect or informality in the manner of giving notice of such election or in the manner of holding such election or in the conduct thereof or by reason of failure to comply with the requirements of any Act of Assembly providing for the arrangement or equipment of the polling places and notwithstanding any mistake in stating the amount or percentage of the existing debt or the percentage of the proposed increase All bonds issued or to be issued in pursuance of every such election are hereby made valid binding obligations of every such county city borough township school district or incorporated district

Provided however That all the other requirements of the law concerning such election and the issue of bonds have been complied with Provided further however That the provisions of this act shall not apply to any case where the issue of bonds pursuant to a special election is now or has been enjoined by a law court of this Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that Senate Bill No. 157 be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 782 (Senate Bill No. 144), entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven) entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the county of city of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 14 All parties believing themselves to be aggrieved by the decisions of the said municipal court may remove their cases by appeal or writ of error to the Supreme or Superior Court as the case may be in accordance with existing law and in accordance with the practice and procedure in perfecting appeals from existing courts in Philadelphia County" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 14 All parties believing themselves to be aggrieved by the decisions of the said municipal court may remove their cases by appeal or writ of error to the Supreme or Superior Court as the case may be in accordance with the law now existing or which may hereafter be adopted and in accordance with the pratcice and procedure now existing or which may hereafter be adopted in perfecting appeals from existing courts in Philadelphia County

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that Senate Bill No. 144 just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of making comparison with other bills.

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 780 (Senate Bill No. 106), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 508 (Senate Bill No. 114), entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, defining and declaring the interest that shall descent to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), entitled

At Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 496 (Senate Bill No. 16), entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be, providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," in relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 328 (Senate Bill No. 8), as follows:

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the salary of the county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population shall be thirty-five hundred ($3,500) dollars per annum

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 336 (Senate Bill No. 49), entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 924, entitled

An Act preventing tampering with visiting or conversing with any juror summoned for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth and providing a penalty for violation thereof

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 735, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million nve hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census"

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 738, entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads, improved and maintained by such counties, the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth, for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads, and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon, and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers, and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 449, entitled

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 482, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act creating a Sinking Fund Commission in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants prescribing its powers and duties and repealing acts inconsistent herewith" approved the first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 649, entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the anthracite coal region and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 494, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," as amended, by removing the exemption granted corporations, limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes; and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations, limited partnerships, and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes, and appropriating the same for State and State-aid highway purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 384, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 170, entitled

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation"

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 951, entitled

An Act amending section 2 of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners, the county solicitor, and the chief clerk to the county commissioners, of each county, to organize themselves into a State Association, for the purpose of holding annual meetings, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof," approved the 10th day of May, Anno Domini 1913, by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 905, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides"

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 773, entitled

An Act authorizing directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 409, entitled

An Act to compel land owners in townships of the second class to clear the highways abutting on their land of brush and trees and imposing certain duties and liabilities on township supervisors

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 694, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four), entitled "An Act providing for the original location, laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of this Commonwealth, and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein; making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads; authorizing the relocation, opening, straightening, widening, extension and alteration of the same, and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor, and the payment of damages resulting from such taking, and the manner in which such damages may be determined; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough, and apportioning the cost of such improvement; and authorizing the vacation of any county road" authorizing boroughs towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 734 entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 864, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An Act relating to the collection of taxes in the County of Indiana," and supplements and amendments thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WOOD. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.
Mr. SWARTZ. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 855, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 856, entitled

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June ,one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane, to be called the State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor," as amended by fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 787 (Senate Bill No. 190), entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 788 (Senate Bill No. 191), entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing, felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by-products of coal tar and asphalt.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 499 (Senate Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 424 (Senate Bill No. 9), entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 510 (Senate Bill No. 126), entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities, organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 423 (Senate Bill No. 96), entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 785 (Senate Bill No. 188), entitled

An Act authorizing executors, administrators, guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the

act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 786 (Senate Bill No. 189), entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 342, as follows:

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement and providing penalties.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all tickets for the admission to any place of amusement shall have the price thereof printed upon the face thereof in large type

Section 2 It shall be unlawful for any person co-partnership association or corporation to sell any such ticket unless the price thereof be printed on the face thereof as required in section one of this act (b) to sell any such ticket at a price higher than that printed on the face thereof

Section 3 The price list of tickets for admission to a place of amusement shall be exhibited in a conspicuous place near the ticket window or ticket office After such list is exhibited no deviation in the price of admission shall be made

Section 4 Any person co-partnership association or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof before any alderman magistrate or justice of the peace of the county be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50) or more than five hundred dollars ($500) for each offense or in default thereof such person or the directors or officers or members of such co-partnership association or corporation as the case may be shall be committed to the proper county jail for a period not to exceed thirty days

Any person copartnership association or corporation so accused may waive such summary trial or hearing and secure the right of a trial by jury before the court of quarter sessions of the peace for the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed by depositing with the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace to whom complaint has been made or before whom he is taken a sum in double the amount of the fine and cost which might be imposed or entering security to pay the same

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—173.

Albee,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Aron,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Arthur,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Aston,	Golder,	Milner,	Smith, L.,
Baldi,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldridge,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Snowden,
Barner,	Graham,	Murdoch,	Snyder,
Bell,	Gransback,	Murphy,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Haight,	Musser,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Haldeman,	Neary,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Hecht,	Ogden,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Helt,	Patterson,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Stern,
Brady,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.	Horne,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Canon,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Clements,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Urich,
Cook,	Lanius,	Richards,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wagner,
Curry,	Leary,	Rinn,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ross,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wells,
Dean,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	West,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wickman,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Williams, J. P.,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Wobensmith,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wood,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Woodward,
Fackler,	McNichol,	Showalter,	Wylie,
Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,	Wynne,
Flynn,	McVicar,	Siggins,	Zanders,
Fowler,	Mehring,	Simpson,	Baldwin,
Franklin,	Mervine,	Sinclair,	Speaker.
Fretz,	Michel,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 412, as follows:

An Act prohibiting any officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics political movements or elections from canvassing election precincts or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics political movements or elections and providing penalties for violation thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth shall be a member of or delegate or alternate to any political convention nor shall he be present at any such convention except in the performance of his official duty No such officer member or employe of said department or bureau shall serve as a member of or attend the meetings of any committee of any poitical party or take any active part in political management or in political campaigns or canvassing political precincts or use his office to influence political movements or influence the political action of any other such officer member or employe nor shall he in any way or manner interfere with the conduct of any election or the preparation therefor at the polling place or with the election officers while counting the vote or returning the ballot boxes books and papers to the place provided by law for that purpose save only for the purpose of marking and depositing his ballot as speedily as it reasonably can be done or be within any polling place or within fifty feet thereof except for purposes of ordinary travel or residence during the period of time beginning within one hour preceding the opening of the polls for holding such election and ending with the time when the election officers shall have finished counting the votes and have left the polling place for the purpose of depositing the ballot boxes and papers in the place provided by law for that purpose excepting only police officers of the particular city who may temporarily approach or enter the polling place in order to make any arrest permitted by law or for the purpose of preserving order and in each case only long enough to accomplish the duties aforesaid after which the said police officers shall at once withdraw

Section 2 That no such officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth shall solicit pay or receive any money either for himself or any political committee or candidate to be used for political purposes nor shall he authorize any person directly or indirectly either to solicit or to pay any such contribution

Section 3 Any such officer member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and to undergo an imprisonment in the jail of the proper county of not less than three months nor more than twelve months In addition to the fine and imprisonment such officer member or employe shall forfeit his office or position and shall during a period of five years thereafter be disqualified from holding any position of honor or trust or profit within the limits of this Commonwealth

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are repealed

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. HEFFERNAN. Mr. Speaker, the bill that you are called upon to-day to vote on, is one that I am sure is going to appeal to the fair minded men of the men of this House. If there have been any reports going through this House, that this bill refers to other than cities of the first class, that report is wrong. This bill refers only to the City of Philadelphia. During the Blankenburg administration in Philadelphia, the police and firemen of our city were relieved from the responsibilities of paying assessments from the small salaries that they received. It is not for me to tell you gentlemen of this House what the responsibilities of the police and firemen are. Only a short time ago you voted for a bill that was known as the "Two Platoon System Bill," and that was for the purpose of relieving the firemen of certain responsibilities they have had. You men know what awful risks there is in the position that is occupied by a policeman and fireman. You know that there are men, firemen, who leave their homes to go to their duties; and I know of personal instances of personal friends, members of the fire department, who when they bid good-night to their families were never seen alive again as a result of the hazardous work which they are called upon to perform. That same thing applies to the policemen. I do not think that when you take into consideration the awful responsibility of a policeman and fireman that we should ask them to go through their respective divisions wherein they live asking for votes for any ward leader. I do not think that they should be compelled to pay any assessments from their salaries which are much needed by their families. I believe that this bill should pass, and I am going to ask the men of this House to favor me by voting for it.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, if the merit of this bill was as worthy as the author, I would accede to his last request made and vote for it. But, gentlemen of the House, the purposes of this bill are not to protect the lives of the firemen. They are not to protect the lives of the policemen, but it is a direct attempt to cast reflection upon the present administration in Philadelphia, to send broadcast throughout this entire State the news that in order that the administration of Philadelphia will conduct itself properly legislation of this kind must be enacted. If you gentlemen will read the provisions of this bill, you will see that it is drastic in the extreme. So much so that any man that would ask his neighbor to support a man on a ticket because that man was worthy of support, would be judged as being politically active and could be prosecuted and be imprisoned for three months or pay one hundred dollars fine. You men believe in the right of free speech; you men believe that because a man occupies a position that his rights of citizenship should not be taken away from him. We in Philadelphia, gentlemen, recognize the purposes of this bill because there may be a factional difference. The men in Philadelphia will tell you that the police have not been active in politics for over six or seven years. The present Chief Executive of the City of Philadelphia has promised the people that the police will not be active in politics. There is absolutely no reason for the enactment of this legislation, it is simply a reflection on the present administration. If this bill was a bill that was broad in its purposes, that took in every part of the State, the charges that I make could not be made, but you gentlemen know that there is a feature in this bill of which any unscrupulous politician might take advantage. You take a man connected with either the police or fire department, and if he were to stop on the corner and speak to his neighbor and discuss a candidate's pledges or discuss the platform of a party and would recommend that John Smith or John Jones be supported, if Simpson, who is running against Smith or Jones, were to hear of that, he could prefer a charge of the violation of the provisions of this act and many a worthy policeman or fireman would lose his position. Is it a fair proposition to say that because a man is a fireman or a policeman that he is to be denied the right to recommend whatever candidate he sees fit? There are ample laws on the statute books to-day that prevent the approach of a policeman to within fifty feet of the polls unless called to suppress a disorder. I sumbit, gentlemen, that the only meritorious feature connected with this bill is the name of the author. Do not be swayed by a personality, even by a personality of a man like Dr. Heffernan who introduced this bill, because he is away above the purposes of the bill. I would ask the members of this House to vote down this bill..

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I am particularly interested in the favorable consideration of this bill by the House, because the district which I represent contains about one hundred thousand foreigners. In that district, very much contrary to the statements of the previous speaker, we have had the unseemly exhibition of police activity in politics. It goes without saying that neither I nor any other citizen in that district would prevent any man from using his constitutional prerogatives of voting and using his franchise as he sees fit, whether he be a policeman or fireman. But the moral effect of the actions of the policemen and firemen who are dressed in uniforms wtih brass buttons—and I challenge my good friend from Philadelphia to prove the contrary—of being inside the booths and on top of ballot boxes, persuading and dissuading and using unlawful and illegal methods to prevent voting, is very detrimental to the citizens of Philadelphia. This bill only affects Philadelphia and I want to say right now that I have not had the opportunity to denounce it and I am glad of the opportunity given me in speaking on this bill. Much to the shame of the late administration of Philadelphia, its venerable mayor, on election day, because his former director of public safety was a candidate for mayor, placed the police in the voting booths of almost every downtown district in Philadelphia. About seven o'clock on election day in 1915, right before we elected our mayor, at seven o'clock in the morning I had the pleasure of going to the booth to cast my vote. I found two policemen inside the rail. I remonstrated with them and told them that they must keep at least fifty feet—or maybe a hundred, I don't know the exact number of feet—from the rail. They said they had orders to be there because they had received word there would be disorder. In that district we have not had a single arrest or a bit of trouble for a year or two. I went to the office of the director of the department of public safety then appointed, a fake reformer, and I told him he had no right to put the police in the polls on election day, that it was contrary to the statutes and the spirit of American manhood. He said, "We have had advance information that there would be disorder." I challenged him to produce the evidence. He said, "That is enough, we are told that there may be disorder and the police will stay there," and they did until the polls closed. I submit, Mr. Speaker, that this bill only affects Philadelphia, and it is no more than fair and square to the police themselves and to the firemen, who being at the beck and call of a superior officer, are told to go in and run the risk of violating the law. It is no more than right to vote for this bill. I want to say further that this bill does not prevent a man from using his constitutional right of voting, but only prevents him from disobeying the law, and you cannot make it too drastic for a district of the kind that I represent. I would therefore ask the favorable consideration of the bill.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelpha, Mr. Stern, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman that notwithstanding the presence of the police in the booths on that election day, what was the majority at the polls in that district for the regular Republican ticket?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would say it was about two thousand.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, that shows that the police did not abuse their powers.

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I live in a district that contains possibly from seventy-five thousand to eighty thousand people, and a great proportion of them are foreigners. Mr. Stern has given an illustration of what the Blankenberg administration did a year or so with regarding to placing the police at the polls. We have had a new mayor elected since that time, and he is using the police in politics. At the last primary election he canvassed certain wards in the City of Philadelphia with police and firemen, intimidating those foreigners to such an extent that upon going to the registration board they attempted to have the names of seven thousand people stricken off. In certain wards where it did not please the police to go they did not strike off any names. In my

ward they attempted to cut off seven hundred names. When they went before the board of registration I think they struck off forty-three. In my adjoining ward where they possibly could have found as many as in my ward, and possibly more, no return was made for the striking off of any names, and that is the way they are using the policemen and firemen, and I hope this bill will pass this House.

Mr. WELLS. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, it is rather peculiar at this particular time that a bill of this character should be presented to the members of this House. If this bill is a good bill and is necessary for the citizens to have passed, I fail to understand why it does not include all of the municipalities within this State. I wonder whether the members of the House have read the provisions of this bill with care? It provides: "No such officer, member or employe of said department or bureau shall serve as a member of or attend the meetings of any committee of any political party or take any active part in any political management or in political campaigns or canvassing political precincts or use his office to influence political movements or influence the political action of any other such officer, member or employe," and provides a penalty. If this act is violated the officer or fireman shall be liable to serve three months in prison to one year and shall, during a period of five years thereafter, be disqualified from holding office.

Why, gentlemen, if a policeman or a fireman sits at the police station or fire station, or fire house, if he should discuss a political issue with his next door neighbor or a question that would come before the people at the next election, that might be interpreted as a violation of the act for which the man might be liable to go to prison for three months or one year, and be disqualified from holding office, during a period of five years. I take it that American citizens are free and are very proud of the right of free speech. It was granted to them when this country was made free; this is a right they are jealous of and of which they are very proud of as one of the greatest rights of all. The greatest right in regard to free speech is the right that every free American citizen has to discuss the political issues of the day. It is discussed not only by the millionaire but by the poor man; by the blacksmith and the stock broker, and there is no reason, in my mind, why a police officer or a fireman should be singled out among the great masses of citizens because of his particular employment and that he should be forever disqualified to discuss the issues of the day, and for this reason I am opposed to it.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, this bill is in the interest of the good people of our city who do not take what may be called an active part in politics. I know that the average man who becomes active in his precinct welcomes the assistance of any man at the poles, whether he is a fireman or a policeman, but I also know that in a great city like Philadelphia where the police and firemen run into thousands that it is one vast army in the possession of the executive of the city which with the brute force referred to a moment ago can be made a most formidable weapon in destroying the will of the people. I say to you now that this it not only in the interest of the people who want a free ballot and an equal opportunity of exercising their franchise without intimidation by policemen and police clubs, but it is also in the interest of those men who are members of the police and fire department of the City of Philadelphia. Many and many a policeman has come to me and talked of these matters and I know they have talked with each other and have gone to their people and complained about orders that they got to turn in for a certain ticket or turn against a certain ticket. That means that the police lieutenant in a police district gives orders from his desk in the station house and intimates what is going to happen to them if they don't do it and show by the results in their election precincts that they have done it. Such efforts as these are entirely destructive of a democratic idea of government in which people are free and independent. In a district such as I represent it makes no great difference whether you pass this bill or whether you don't, because the element referred to by my colleague from Philadelphia does not prevail in the district that I have the honor to represent here, but in those districts where it does prevail we have this condition of affairs. There is not a shopkeeper that is not to some extent under the control of the police system of the city. He is told that if he don't turn in on a certain ticket and support a certain ticket on election day, certain privileges will be taken from him, such as sidewalk privileges, as for instance a little counter on the sidewalk will be taken away from him and he will be arrested perhaps and every little excuse that can be found to harrass and annoy him is used by the policeman, and not only by the little officer of the precinct but by the lieutenant of the district, at times, even by the Chief of the Department in the City of Philadelphia. I say, therefore, that there is nothing in this bill that a man cannot support, that is not in the interest of honest government. There is everything in it that commends it. Why, talk about the right of free speech—a police officer is not denied the rights to talk to his neighbors or his friends from time to time about the political condition in the city in which he lives or the ward in which he may reside, but it is a long step from talking to your neighbors and going out and ringing door bells and bringing voters by the neck into the polling places and marking their ballots or sitting in the polling place and seeing the returns made out. All this is the abuse which a bill of this character seeks to remedy. I take it for granted that it is but one step further than the Shern Bill. This is putting the teeth into the Shern Bill, which provides that if an employe, police officer or fireman becomes active in politics, it is the duty of his superior to summon him and remove him because of that pernicious activity. But we find that they don't do it. Therefore, we have here a penalty provided which puts into the hands of the citizens the right to go into court and secure justice and present an indictment against him who transgresses the law and see that justice is done. This bill should be supported because it is in the interest of honest government and fair play and for all citizens, and supplies a most gigantic relief for the policemen and firemen themselves.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I yield to no man in our desire to give to the people of not only the City of Philadelphia but of the State of Pennsylvania the enactment of such laws which will best preserve law and order and this morning we have under discussion a bill which particularly relates to the City of Philadelphia. We have heard some very interesting talks from my distinguished colleagues from Philadelphia, but, gentlemen, we are not here at this time in the interest of anything that pertains to partisan or factional politics. We must have our eyes solely and wholely upon that which will be for the best good of all the citizens of the City of Philadelphia, regardless of politics. It is my pleasure and honor to come from the district in which resides the present chief executive of the City of Philadelphia. I bespeak for him this: His desire to do that which is best for the people of the City of Philadelphia. In my district up there we have seen that there is no disorder and undue interference on the part of any policeman representing the City of Philadelphia but that is not the issue at this time. You have before you here, gentlemen not representing the City of Philadelphia but representing the other sections of the State of Pennsylvania, a bill which you are asked to enact into a law. It is either a proper bill or it is such a bill as should not deserve your vote.

I am going to briefly say that the very argument made by my distinguished friend and colleague, from Philadelphia, Mr. Beyer, is the very reason why you should not vote for this bill. He says it puts teeth in the bill and it gives the right to any citizen to go into court and prefer an indictment for any violation of the act. Now what is any violation of the act proposed here? In part this bill says, a man shall not attend or take any active part in any political discussion, management or campaign. I ask you, as fairminded men, whether that could not be construed to affect a policeman who merely expresses his preference for a candidate if that is not activity by his mere expression of preference. But further than that, it says this, and here is a drastic piece of legislation—that the policemen or firemen shall not be in a voting booth except "save only for the purpose of marking and depositing his ballot as speedily as it reasonably can be done." Why, that gives a chance for any man opposed in a political campaign to say that John Jones was in the ballot booth for twenty minutes when he should not have been there more than three minutes to deposit his ballot in the ballot box. It raises an issue; it gives the man the

right to go in and present an indictment. My friend on the left and my colleague sitting alongside of me, discussed this bill this morning simply from an impartial standpoint. I do not care anything about partisan politics so far as it relates to my duty as a member of this Assembly and I yield to no man in my desire to give every fireman and every policeman in the City of Philadelphia and the State of Pennsylvania the best that will protect him, his home and his happiness. But it puts the policemen and firemen in a bad position. Take their situation under this bill. No man should be accused or subject to a criminal charge because he is in a voting booth for more than five minutes, or longer, for good reason. Yet such could be the case under this bill. And again it says, that he can only be in the booth for the purpose of depositing his ballot and that he shall not be within fifty feet during the entire day, and it provides a drastic penalty for any violation thereof. Gentlemen, as representing the City of Philadelphia, I trust that you as my colleagues in the House, from other sections of the State, will construe this bill strictly. You will find it is too drastic, particularly from the standpoint of the interests of the firemen and policemen. I hope it will not pass in its present form.

Mr. MILNER. Mr. Speaker, I believe that if this House should pass this bill it would be a disastrous step backward. We all know that when this country was founded it was dedicated to the principle that all men are born free and equal and it has been a truism in American Political Science that this meant political freedom, and, Mr. Chairman, political rights have stood from the time of King John until yesterday when the throne was taken from the Czar and we have all stood for political liberty for man. This bill strikes at the political liberty of certain members of the body politic in Pennsylvania. It seems to me that the policeman or fireman has the same right to take his part if he so chooses, without using undue influence, in political campaigns, as any other man, whether he be a member of this House, a banker or drayman. Now the best form of body politics in government is the one in which all men take an active part, and no man because of his position should be excluded from that part. Furthermore, we have already, through this House, passed a law which adequately covers this subject. Since the passage of the act of 1906, the Shern Law, it has been a truism in Philadelphia politics that the best way to get a man out of politics was to put him on the police force or in a fire house or make him a tipstaff of the court and then he ceased to be of any political use. Now, if Mr. Stern found a man in his polling booth who wore a policeman's uniform he had the privilege under the Shern Act to have that man dismissed from service by bringing a proper complaint against him, and if anyone finds a policeman taking a political part in Philadelphia politics they have the right to have him dismissed. This act has been covered as drastically as it should be under the provisions of the Shern Act which reads that:

"No officer, clerk or employe of any city of the first class, or of any department, trust or commission thereof, shall be a member of or delegate or alternate to, any political convention, nor shall he be present at any such convention except in the performance of his official duty. No officer, clerk or employe of any city of the first class, or of any department, trust or commission thereof, shall serve as a member of or attend the meetings of any committee of any political party, or take an active part in political management or in political campaigns, or use his office to influence political movements, or influence the political action of any other officer, clerk or employe of any such city, department, trust or commission."

And it provides that if he violates the provisions of this act he shall be dismissed from service, and it seems to me that punishment is in keeping with the offense that he has committed, if we agree that this is an offense. But to say that he shall be shorn of most of his political attributes, that he shall not hold any position or office of trust in this Commonwealth for five years, as if he had committed treason, is going too far, and I believe that this law is too drastic and un-American.

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, after hearing the remarks of some of my learned colleagues I am persuaded that the words of the old proverb are extremely applicable, "that the law is a terror to evil doers and not to those who do well."

It has been shown here today that some of the foreign population in Philadelphia are very much opposed to the police force because the police force and the firemen are charged with intimidating them; but the reason, I believe, from some small examination of the subject, is due to the fact that those who are intimidated are breaking the law themselves. They are permitted, under our laws, to have counters outside their doors to the extent of four feet six inches; some of them take five feet and the police officers, following the words of the Scripture, which says, "of those things the Lord winked at"; he winks like the Lord at certain things and he winks at this small breach of the law. Now then the time comes when the police officer is forbidden that which by the Anglo-Saxon system of government is given him, the right of free speech, and when the police officer is prohibited from reading the sentence on the Liberty Bell, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land and to all the inhabitants thereof", and he is not permitted to talk to his neighbor on any political subject without the charge being made against him that he is an infringer of the law.

I know very well when I lived in the downtown district that it was a wise thing for the police to canvass all the wards. I recollect, when living downtown, there was one house of which it was said that the beds were never cold. They had six beds and twelve colored fellows slept in them all night and when they got up and went to work twelve others slept in them in daytime. It would be easy, from an improper standpoint, to shift these beds and instead of having John Johnson sleep there it will be Bill Sweeney or some other gentleman, so that it became necessary in order to protect the polls and the registration lists that those polls be carefully watched and guarded and for that purpose only the canvass is made to which reference has been made by one of the gentlemen from Philadelphia.

I am further informed that the police have been given orders at times from their predecessors and therefore it is presumed that having been given orders they will obey them. Gentlemen of the House, you and I both know that we care not who the commanding officer of any organization is if that man gives us an order to disobey or break the law we have no right and we are not expected to obey it. I therefore contend and submit to you that if the Director of Public Safety, if the Mayor of Philadelphia, if the Chief of the Fire Department, in the City of Philadelphia, should say to the policemen or firemen or any officer of that force, "you go down there into such and such a district and tell that fellow that if he don't support the Republican Party of the Reform Ticket we will close him up;" I submit to you that that police officer has a perfect right under the law, and he should do so, to say, "Sir, I am a police officer; I am not here to obey political orders;" and if he takes that stand, give him all the law in this Commonwealth. He would not be brought up for trial because the people of Philadelphia would be quickly advised through their great newspaper system of that infraction and that chief of police or whomsoever the officer is would be called to account and forced to resign. But, gentlemen, there is one statement in this bill alone that will prohibit me from voting for it. A policeman and a fireman has as much right to vote as I have or you and when you go to the polls to do your duty as a citizen you are not charged with interfering with the voting, but yet this bill says that a police officer or a fireman if he goes to the polls he interferes with the polls.

I refer, gentlemen, to page two of the bill, line ten, "Nor shall he," that is a fireman or a policeman, "in any way or manner interfere with the conduct of any election." Coming down now to line fifteen, "Save only for the purpose of marking and depositing his ballot as speedily as it reasonably can be done." In other words he interferes, under the statement of this act, with that which we do not interfere with, and he interferes merely because he is a police officer or a fireman. Gentlemen, your experience teaches you that policemen and firemen have as good hearts in them as any man that steps the earth in this Commonwealth, and why should we want to start in now and legislate against them when the Shern act takes particular care to see that the very things that are prohibited in this act are covered

within reasonable limits. Gentlemen, therefore, I suggest to you that this act ought to be at this time defeated.

One more reason why I am not in favor of it. At the last session of this General Assembly, an act almost similar to this act was submitted. It passed both Houses and was sent into the Governor's office. It was vetoed there. Can you expect that he will approve an act which has nothing in it to benefit anyone. We are at the request of the Speaker examining very carefully every bill submitted to us, and we have also been requested by those persons who have sent us here to put on the staute books no unnecessary legislation. Gentlemen, this act would be unnecessary. If we will examine the decisions of the Appellate Court on the question of the Shern Act, you will find that the ground has been fully covered. Another thing, there is nothing in this act to prohibit a slight amendment being made sending this act broadcast into your communities, and into your municipalities. If you will read the title of this act, you will find that by taking out a few words, this act can be made Statewide, and I doubt if any man in this House is willing to say that the police officers, or the constables and firemen in his district are such a bunch of crooks that they have to be specially guarded against.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker. I want to say in favor of this bill and against the arguments that were made in opposition to it, that it was my privilege some three weeks ago to introduce into this House and to see it finally pass in this House, and it is now on its road to the Senate, a bill known as the "Two Platoon Bill," for the firemen. No more humane piece of legislation was ever passed in this House. I only say this, Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, to show that there is no ill feeling in my mind against either the policemen or the firemen. I want to show to you my fair-mindedness. I want to say in answer to the gentleman from Philadelphia, who asks why I did not report the fact that the police were on top of the ballot boxes. I know that that was a fact, and it cannot be denied, in the last election which resulted in the election of the present mayor of Philadelphia. I want to say that I did report that, but when you find that the head of the department is of the same mind and of the same opinion as the subordinate officers of the force, they have to do certain things and it does very little good to go to the head of the department and make any complaint. There is no use of making any complaint when those complaints are not heeded. I certainly believe in the equality of man. We believe that everybody has equal rights, and that they are born equal, but no man is born a policeman, and no man has the authority to stand on a ballot box and prevent other people from voting. This bill ought to be passed unanimously. It is significant, Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen, that almost all the opposition to this bill comes from the gentlemen who are allied closely with the present administration in the City of Philadelphia and it raises a question of doubt in my mind as to whether or not the opposition to this bill is not the effort and the purpose of the present administration in the City of Philadelphia to again domineer the election that is coming in September of this year, and have clubs trumps as they have had in the past, and it is to prevent that that we ask you to vote for this bill.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman from Philadelphia permit me to interrogate him?

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, permit himself to be interrogated

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, yes sir.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, is it not true that that which you complain of most occurred in the previous administration?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, it occurred in both administrations.

Mr. McNICHOL. What election did it occur in, in the present administration?

Mr. STERN. The primary election, Mr. Speaker, when nominations were made for members of the Legislature of this House, in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth wards.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman was a candidate for nomination?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I was, and the police were against me.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, and yet the gentleman was returned by over twenty-five hundred majority?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, that was not the fault of the police, it was my fault.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, then the police could not have been very active.

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, when there are introduced into this Assembly bills of a serious character we speak of them at the time as "legislative tragedies." This particular measure this morning, however, bears a very different phase, and we will speak of it, therefore, as a "legislative comedy." I congratulate the gentlemen who sit on the left side of this House, the Democratic members, at the prospect they have this morning, as they have had on other mornings. Gentlemen on the Democratic side, this morning is Republican washday in the City of Philadelphia. There have been other washdays, but this is a particularly interesting washday. If I sat on the Democratic side of this House, gentlemen, it seems to me that I would hurt myself laughing. I should think the Democratic donkey would lie on his back, put his heels in the air and make the air melodious with his brays.

Now, what is the situation with regard to this particular bill. It is the time old story of the outs being in, and the ins being out. In days gone by, when the particular faction was in in the City of Philadelphia, that now appears to be out of power, you gentlemen heard nothing about unseemly activity which was recently referred to by my distinguished friend, the gentleman from the Third Ward of the City of Philadelphia. Unseemly activity in those days was a thing to be conjured with. When the particular faction was in power, represented by my distinguished friend from the Third Ward,—

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I dislike very much to be referred to as coming from the Third Ward. I come from the Fifth Ward, where the Declaration of Independence was signed.

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the gentleman upon his ancient association. But in that connection it makes me think of an old man who lived in my home town, Cape May. Some years ago he went to the City of Philadelphia and took his old wife with him, and registered at the Bellevue-Stratford. He had never been there before. He went up and registered, looked over the strange things, and finally went down and sat at the dinner table. He picked up the menu and looked over the list, and he saw among other things this: "Ox tail soup." He said to his wife, "Maria, listen to this: Ox tail soup—ox tail soup. Maria, ain't that going back pretty far for soup?"

So when my distinguished friend from the fifth ward calls upon the shades of the Declaration of Independence to give lustre to him, it seems to me he is going very far back for soup. But what I am about to say with regard to the conduct of elections in his particular section in days gone by make him think that the days of George Washington are not here now. For instance, same years ago in that particular district some of the Republican majorities—I hope you Democratic gentlemen will listen to this—were at times one hundred and five per cent of the registered vote in the ward. And what was the result? Good thinking citizens of the City of Philadelphia got together and decided that that condition ought to be changed, and so they formed the Committee of Seventy, which became notorious in the City of Philadelphia because of the number of arrests made by the Committee of Seventy, and that at a time, gentlemen, when that particular faction was in power that does not now happen to be in power. These gentlemen refer to unseemly political activity now, because that political activity happens to be made by somebody now representing the other side of the house. When the political activity happened to be made in their interest it was a good thing, but they do not think so now.

Let me again refer to my boyhood home. On the farm next to us lived an old man named Wilden, who had a boy who was very clever at riding horses. The old man was very clever in training them, and made a great deal of money out of them. One day when young Ike Wilden came around the house he saw his father on the front grass plot talking to two men. They had a horse there, and the boy had never seen it before. As he came up

to them his father said, "Ike, jump on the horse and show us what he can do." As the boy went around behind his father, he said quietly, "Pop, are you buying or selling?" It was going to make a whole lot of difference in the action of the horse whether he was buying or selling. Now, gentlemen, you have the prospective this morning, and the gentlemen who are in favor of this measure now are engaged in buying, and when they were engaged in selling it did not seem so important. Now you may ask me why I am so excited about this. It is true that I am not awakened in the morning by the rattle of the ash can on the front pavement. The only sounds which greet me in the morning are the whistle of the flicker, the chirp of the robin and the hop of the blue bird. In the springtime in my district I am charmed with the crocus coming out of the ground; in June I am charmed by the nodding heads of the Annunciation lillies; in July with the most beautiful colors of the hollyhock, and I am not at all interested in the question of how much activity the police have; but you men from the country districts and from the Democratic side of the House ought to know the truth, and that is this: There has been during the past two or three years less political activity and trouble with the police and firemen from that source than for a great number of years. The City of Philadelphia has had the safeguard of publicly interested people, wealthy, influential and patriotic men known as the Committee of Seventy, who have made arrests for the violation of the election laws, and during the past year or two there have been less arrests by far than for many years past. I am not interested in this factional squabble in Philadelphia, but I am interested in this, that the truth shall be known and that you and I from the country districts shall not be fooled by political fakes, and you gentlemen should look into it. This bill ought to be defeated. Why? Because it has no possible sincerity in it, but was introduced through factional motives and bears upon its face the stamp of hypocricy. If you and I act from conscientious motive we cannot support it.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Montgomery.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Montgomery permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to know whether the gentleman can tell this House who was responsible for the enactment of the Shern Law of 1905.

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, I think the proper answer to that is that that law was the result of outraged public sentiment.

Mr. BEYER. I would like to ask the gentleman if he can tell this House whether or not the Committee of Seventy about which he spoke is in favor of this bill or against it.

Mr. STITES. I have no idea.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to state that so far as I know the Committee of Seventy stands solidly behind this bill.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—78.

Albee,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Smith, O. W.,
Baker,	Gans,	Michel,	Snowden,
Baldridge,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Neary,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Pickering,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Powell,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Richards,	Steedle,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Ringler,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Rininger,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Rinn,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hough,	Ruddy,	Swartz,
Crosby,	Leary,	Sarig,	Urich,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Scott,	Vogdes,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Shattuck,	Wagner,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Shunk,	Whitaker,
Drake,	McCullough,	Siggins,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Smith, E. R.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McPeake,	Smith, F. I.,	Speaker.
Flynn,	McVicar,	Smith, J. W.,	

NAYS—104.

Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Sampsel,
Arthur,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Showalter,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Simpson,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Milner,	Sinclair,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Smith, L.,
Black,	Gormley,	Morgan, T.,	Snyder,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Canon,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stites,
Clements,	Hess,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Ogden,	Taylor,
Conner,	Howarth,	Palmer,	Thomas,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Patterson,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Phillips,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lanius,	Reitzel,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Reynolds,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Malie,	Rich,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Marvin,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McKay,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Rudisill,	Wynne,

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the bill falls.

MR. GOODWIN IN THE CHAIR.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 300, as follows:

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking vending and peddling of fish fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pensylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person to hawk vend or peddle upon the highways streets lanes alleys avenues roads or pavements of any city of the first class any fish fruit or vegetable or other merchandise except a license therefore shall have been previously obtained as hereinafter provided

Section 2 Licenses shall only be granted under this act to citizens of the United States and shall be for the current calendar year

Section 3 For each and every wagon cart dray wheelbarrow or any vehicle used for the purpose of hawking vending and peddling fish fruit and vegetables or other merchandise a separate license shall be first had and obtained by the owner thereof and in all cases where more than one license is taken out by any person co-partnership or corporation that fact shall be noted upon the said additional license stub in its numerical order and every vehicle shall be conspicuously marked with the name and address of the licensee and shall have prominently displayed thereon a license plate numbered the same as the license which was granted for the same

Section 4 Each and every foot-peddler shall be required to obtain and wear prominently displayed on his person a badge duly issued and numbered attesting the fact that a license has been applied for and granted

Section 5 The councils of the cities of the first class after the passage of this act shall be empowered and shall be required to fix by ordinance the amount to be paid for a license under this act and the time the same shall be paid and also describe and regulate the manner of payment thereof into the treasury of the said city

Section 6 Any person or persons using any vehicle that is not the property of the licensee under this act for hawking vending or peddling of any merchandise whatsoever in the cities of the first class and which is not properly marked and which does not have prominently displayed thereon the proper license plate or any foot-peddler who does not prominently display on his person the proper badge duly issued to the said licensee shall be liable on conviction to be imprisoned for not more than five days or fined not more than one hundred dollars or both or either in the discretion of the court Provided That nothing contained in this act shall prevent any citizen of this Comomnwealth from hawking vending and peddling the products of his or her or their farm or garden Provided however that he she or they shall be required to make personal appearance and execute an affidavit to that effect before the properly accredited officials and display prominently on the vehicle used a license plate for which however no charge shall be made

Section 7 The act of Assembly approved April fifteenth one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one Pamphlet Laws seventeen entitled An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking vending and peddling of fish fruit and vegetables in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth and all other acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—119.

Albee,	Goodwin,	McKay,	Rinn,
Arthur,	Gormley,	McKinney,	Robertson,
Aston,	Graeff,	McNichol,	Ross,
Baldi,	Graham,	McPeake,	Rothenberger,
Barner,	Gransback,	Mervine,	Sampsel,
Bennett,	Haight,	Miller, A. D.,	Sarig,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Miller, C. G.,	Scott,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Milliron,	Shattuck,
Christman,	Hess,	Milner,	Shunk,
Coldsmith,	Heyburn,	Mitchell,	Sinclair,
Conner,	Hibshman,	Morgan, T.,	Smith, E. R.,
Cook,	Hoffman,	Murphy,	Smith, F. I.,
Cox,	Hollern,	Musser,	Spangler,
Crosby,	Hollingsworth,	Neary,	Sterling,
Cummins,	Horne,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Curry,	Howarth,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Davis, W.,	Isherwood,	Patterson,	Taylor,
Dewey,	Jack,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Donneley,	Jones,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Drake,	Kennedy,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Dunn,	Lanius,	Ramsey,	Walker,
Eby,	Laucks,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Ehrhardt,	Leary,	Reitzel,	Wells,
Erdman,	Lewis,	Reynolds,	Williams, G. W.
Fackler,	Lohr,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Williams, J. P.,
Franklin,	Luppert,	Rich,	Wobensmith,
Fretz,	Malie,	Richards,	Wood,
Glass,	Marvin,	Ringler,	Wynne,
Golder,	McCurdy,	Rininger,	

NAYS—24.

Baker,	Dithrich,	Siggins,	Steedle,
Baldridge,	Hough,	Simpson,	Stern,
Black,	Lauler,	Somerman,	Vickerman,
Brady,	McArdle,	Sones,	Wagner,
Chestnut,	McCullough,	Speicher,	Wickman,
Dean,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,	Wylie,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 648, as follows:

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended; and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Comomnwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which as amended by an act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws four hundred eighty-one) entitled "An Act to further amend the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith' as amended by providing for the education of certain blind children beyond the age of eight years under certain circumstances" reads as follows

"Section 1439 The State Board of Education is authorized to educate blind children residing in this Commonwealth under the age of eight years whenever from any cause the parent or parents thereof may be unable properly to educate them With the written consent of the proper parents parent or nearest relative if there be no parents or the poor authorities of the proper poor district if there be neither parents nor relatives the board may contract with any non-sectarian institution in this State or elsewhere established for the education of the blind whereby any such child may at a cost not exceeding one dollar per day to be paid out of the State school fund be educated until it shall reach the age of eight years Provided that such education may be continued beyond the age of eight years when for physical mental or other proper reasons such child or children need special care for a longer period The contract may be cancelled and the child or children removed at any time by the board This act shall not repeal or modify any existing act relative to the education of the blind" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1439 The State Board of Education is authorized to educate blind children residing in this Commonwealth under the age of eight years whenever from any cause the parent or parents thereof may be unable properly to educate them With the written consent of the proper parents parent or nearest relative if there be no parents or the poor authorities of the proper poor district if there be neither parents nor relatives the board may contract with any non-sectarian institution in this State or elsewhere established for the education of the blind whereby any such child may at a cost not exceeding one dollar and fifty cents per day to be paid out of the State school fund be educated until it shall reach the age of eight years Provided That such education may be continued beyond the age of eight years when for physical mental or other proper reasons such child or children need special care for a longer period The contract may be cancelled and the child or children removed at any time by the board This act shall not repeal or modify any existing act relative to the education of the blind

Section 2 The said act is further amended by adding thereto the following to be known as section one thousand four hundred forty

Section 1440 The State Board of Education is authorized to make provision for readers for students who are blind and in attendance upon higher institutions of learning Before any contract is entered into the State Board of Education shall make a careful investigation of all the circumstances surrounding the case and if after such investigation it appears that any blind student who desires to attend a higher institution of learning or who is attending such institution seems to be fitted for special work the State Board of Education is authorized to expend an amount out of the general sum appropriated for this purpose not to exceed three hundred dollars per year for each such blind student

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which is shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue, and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" as amended and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—164.

Arthur,	Franklin,	McCurdy,	Scott,
Aston,	Fretz,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Gans,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Geary,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Glass,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Barner,	Golder,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Black,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Bovee,	Haight,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Milner,	Snowden,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Somerman,
Campbell, J. O.	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Musser,	Speicher,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Sprowls,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stadtlander,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Steedle,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Sterling,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Stites,
Cook,	Horne,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Corbin,	Hough,	Powell,	Swartz,
Cox,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cummins,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Curry,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace.
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rich,	Weimer,
Dean,	Lauler,	Richards,	Wells,
Dewey,	Leary,	Ringler,	West,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Whitaker,

Donneley,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dunn,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Eby,	Malie,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Ehrhardt,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Erdman,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Fackler,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Flynn,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	
Fowler,			

NAYS—1.

Stern,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 745, entitled

An Act to further amend sections twenty-four hundred and one, twenty-four hundred and two, and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—165.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKay,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Black,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Goodwin,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graham,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Gransback,	Neary,	Sterling,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Perry,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Conner,	Horne,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Hough,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cox,	Howarth,	Richards,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Ringler,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jack,	Rininger,	Wells,
Curry,	Jones,	Rinn,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Leary,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Malie,	Scott,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Eby,	McArdle,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Siggins,	Speaker.

NAYS—1.

Sweitzer,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 135, entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the county treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 847, as follows:

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 2620 Such auditors shall begin their duties on the first Monday in July each year and promptly audit the accounts of the school district for which they were appointed including the accounts of the treasurer the school depositories and other school funds for the preceding fiscal year in the manner herein provided On the completion of the audit they shall make a correct duplicate report thereof which shall contain an itemized statement of all receipts expenditures and credits whatsoever of school officials and the assets and liabilities of the district one copy to be filed with the board of school directors of the district and the other copy in the court of common pleas to the number and term in which their appointment was made" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2620 Such auditors shall begin their duties on the first Monday in July in each year and promptly audit the accounts of the school district for which they were appointed including the accounts of the treasurer the school depositories and other school funds for the preceding fiscal year in the manner herein provided The auditors shall complete their audit not later than the first day of September in each year and shall file their itemized statement as hereinafter required not later than said first day of September On the completion of the audit they shall make a correct duplicate report thereof which shall contain an itemized statement of all receipts expenditures and credits whatsoever of school officials and the assets and liabilities of the district one copy to be filed with the board of school directors of the district and the other copy in the court of common pleas to the number and term in which their appointment was made

Any auditor or auditors who shall refuse or fail or neglect to complete their report or who shall refuse or fail or neglect to file the same with the board of school directors or with the court of common pleas within the time specified in this section shall be subject to a fine of five dollars for each day he shall so refuse or fail or neglect to complete and file said report to be recovered before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of the county in a summary proceeding and no auditor shall be paid any per diem compensation for making any audit after the first day of September of the year in which the audit is made

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered anod agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—157.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Baker,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,

Benninger,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Black,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.	Hess,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Horton,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Hough,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Richards,	Walter,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rininger,	West,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lafferty,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Laucks,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Leary,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCaig,	Scott,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 85

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

With information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Insert at the beginning of line 1, page 2, the words "or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—167.

Albee,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Aston,	Geary,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Haight,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hess,	Musser,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Christman,	Horton,	Powell,	Thomas,
Clements,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Conner,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walker,
Crosby,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wells,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Eby,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fowler,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 87

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

With information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

On page 2, line 5, after the word "individuals" insert the word "and."

Page 2, line 5, after the word "the" strike out the words "right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available were the suit one between individuals," and insert in lieu thereof the words "defense open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—144.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Black,	Haight,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Urich,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Horton,	Pickering,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	West,
Curry,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rich,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Lafferty,	Rininger,	Wood,

Dithrich,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Drake,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Eby,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, March 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Auditor General is hereby required to make report to the General Assembly not later than March 26, 1917, showing in detail the items in the accounts of the Auditor General which fail to balance, if any so there be, and which have given rise to serious charges in the public press; also to show the necessity, at this time, and within six weeks of the close of the present administration of the Auditor General for the appointment of a number of expert accountants to examine the books and accounts of the Auditor General's Department at the cost to the Commonwealth of ten thousand dollars; also to specify in said report who the expert accountants employed or to be employed by the Auditor General are, and the residences of the same; also the reason and necessity for the using of accountants and clerks on separate shifts night and day during the last six weeks past; also to show what part of the appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars as made in the General Appropriation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen "for the payment of extra clerks as the Auditor General may find necessary to employ, et cetera," has been used or is to be used to pay compensation to expert accountants not regularly in the employ of said department, and to show also what part of the sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars appropriated as a deficiency to said department by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen has been or is to be used for the payment of compensation to expert accountants in said Department.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 12

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-one) entitled "An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties" is hereby repealed

Senate Bill No. 14

An Act to amend part of clause (d), section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-eight), entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof," as amended, by providing that information in cases of desertion and non-support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace, and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.

Senate Bill No. 74

An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

Senate Bill No. 82

An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise," approved the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Senate Bill No. 118

An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

In the Senate, March 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, March twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, March twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 1

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong.

with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 1

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong.

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 12.50 P. M.) the House adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, March 21, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for all the blessings of life, and while we dread the terrible conflict that is going on across the sea yet there is a rift coming in the clouds to-day showing us that after all the great God above us is really ruling this world in the interest of righteousness and in the interest of the highest development of our human life. We thank Thee for the courage with which the world is pursuing the rights that are inalienable and which they are entitled to in every sense of the word. We pray Thy blessing upon this great country of ours and upon our Commonwealth. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. CROW, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR INFORMATION REGARDING EXPENDITURES IN HIS DEPARTMENT.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the Auditor General is hereby required to make report to the General Assembly not later than March twenty-sixth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, showing in detail the items in the account of the Auditor General which fail to balance, if any so there be, and which have given rise to serious charges in the public press; also to show the necessity, at this time, and within six weeks of the close of the present administration of the Auditor General for the appointment of a number of expert accountants to examine the books and accounts of the Auditor General's Department at the cost to the Commonwealth of ten thousand dollars; also to specify in said report who the expert accountants employed or to be employed by the Auditor General are, and the residences of the same; also the reason and necessity for the using of accountants and clerks on separate shifts night and day during the last six weeks past; also to show what part of the appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars, as made in the General Appropriation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen "for the payment of extra clerks as the Auditor General may find it necessary to employ, et cetera," has been used or is to be used to pay compensation to expert accountants not regularly in the employ of said Department, and to show also what part of the sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars appropriated as a deficiency to said Department by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen has been or is to be used for the payment of compensation to expert accountants in said Department.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 20, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, March twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, March twenty-sixth, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 85.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying, selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 87.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives, as follows:

House Bill No. 300 (Senate Bill No. 608), entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

House Bill No. 342 (Senate Bill No. 609), entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the issue and sale of tickets to places of amusement and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 648 (Senate Bill No. 610), entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred thirty-nine of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended and adding thereto section one thousand four hundred forty.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

House Bill No. 745 (Senate Bill No. 611), entitled

An Act to further amend sections twenty-four hundred and one, twenty-four hundred and two and twenty-four hundred and three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

House Bill No. 847 (Senate Bill No. 612), entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 613, entitled

An Act regulating the giving and delivery of trading stamps, coupons and similar articles in connection with the sale and purchase of goods, wares and merchandise; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 614, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the provisions of the act of Congress approved February twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures," and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. SASSAMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 615, entitled

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight, entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 616, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Salvation Army Rescue Childrens' Home and Hospital of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 617, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the maintenance and government of a county home in each county of the State for indigent orphans and for delinquent, incorrigible, indigent, dependent and neglected children under sixteen years of age and providing for their commitment thereto.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BALDWIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 618, entitled

An Act requiring owners of lands abutting on roads or highways, to cut down or destroy noxious or other weeds, grass or brush growing or standing in roads or highways in townships, and authorizing the township commissioners and township supervisors to enforce this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 619, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction, reconstruction and improvement of State Highways.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. STEWART read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 620, entitled

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird, prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same and providing for penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. CROW read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 621, entitled

An Act to authorize the purchase of historical works, relative to the services of Pennsylvania Volunteers during the late Civil War.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 622, entitled

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the 23d day of April, 1903, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments, and the re-assessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property, and fixing the time for the return thereof," by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of a triennial assessment.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 623, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State Fund for the insurance of compen-

sation for injuries, to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced presented communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 23.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 20, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 23, entitled, "An Act amending section one of an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled 'A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled 'An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendent of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties or authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" making funds appropriated for State highways and State-aid highways available for the construction or improvement of State highways constructed in the same manner as State-aid highways."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

ALDERMEN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John A. Brown, to be an Alderman in and for the First Ward of the City of Wilkes-Barre, County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Harry A. Carkuff, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Albert S. Grosh to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of St. Mary's, County of Elk, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice William P. Barker, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Remuel La Bar, to be an Alderman in and for the Sixth Ward of the City of Wilkes-Barre, County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice B. F. Marshall, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

H. L. McWilliams, Collier Township.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Charlotte M. Keiper, Johnstown.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Percy R. Calkins, Renovo.
Delbert E. Fox, Renovo.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

John S. Roletter, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

William Henning, Pittsburgh, March 26, 1917.
Frank Scurich, Bridgeville, April 30, 1917.

CARBON COUNTY.

Ben Branch, Mauch Chunk, March 24, 1917.

ELK COUNTY.

Thomas M. Hickey, St. Mary's, March 25, 1917.

LEHIGH COUNTY.

Pasquale Stravino, Whitehall Township, April 16, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Miss Elfrida Molin, Wilkes-Barre, March 25, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

F. H. MacMorris, Philadelphia, March 23, 1917.
John T. Murphy, Jr., Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
Miss Margaret Walls, Philadelphia, March 25, 1917.
H. H. Sinnamon, Philadelphia, April 29, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations for Notaries Public.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 242, as follows:

An Act amending an act approved the ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing" by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the ninth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode for their so doing" which reads as follows

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations created by or under the laws of any other State doing business in this State and in which three or more of the stockholders are citizens of this State and which are embraced within corporations of the second class defined in section two (2) of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" may become corporations of this State under the provisions of said last mentioned act by preparing having approved and recorded a certificate in which shall be stated

First The name of the corporation

Second Its purpose

Third The place or places where its business is to be transacted

Fourth The term for which it is to exist

Fifth The names and residences of the stockholders and the number of shares held by each

Sixth The number of its directors and the names and residences of those elected for the current year

Seventh The amount of its capital stock and the number and par value of the shares into which it is divided

Eighth The legislation under which it was originally created

Ninth Its financial condition at the date of the certificate showing capital stock paid in funded debt floating debt estimated value of property and cash assets if any

Said certificate shall be accompanied by a certificate under the seal of the corporation showing the consent of a majority in interest of such corporation to such application for a charter and to a renunciation of its original charter and of all privileges not enjoyed by corporations of its class under the laws of this Commonwealth

Section 2 Said certificate shall be acknowledged by at least three of the directors of said corporation before the recorder of deeds of the county in which the chief operations are to be carried on or in which the principal office is situated and said directors shall also make and subscribe an oath or affirmation before him to be endorsed on the said certificate that the statements contained therein are true The said certificate shall then be produced to the Governor of this Commonwealth who shall examine the same and if he find it to be in proper form and within the purposes named for corporations of the second class in the said second section of said act of April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four before mentioned he shall approve thereof and endorse his approval thereon and direct letters patent to issue in the usual form incorporating said stockholders and their successors into a body politic and corporate in deed and in law by the name chosen and the said certificate shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth in a book to be by him kept for that purpose and he shall forthwith furnish the Auditor General an abstract therefrom showing the name location amount of capital stock and name and address of the treasurer of such corporation the said original certificate with all its endorsements shall then be recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in and for the county where the chief operations are to be carried on "

Section 3 From the date of said letters patent said corporation shall be and exist as a corporation of this Commonwealth under the provisions of law regulating corporations of its class and of its charter and all of the rights privileges powers immunities lands property and assets of whatever kind or character the same may be possessed and owned by the original corporation shall vest in and be owned and enjoyed by the said corporation so created as fully and with like effect as if its original charter had remained in force save as by general law and said certificate expressly stated otherwise and all suits claims and demands by said corporation in existence at the date of said new charter shall and may be sued prosecuted and collected under the laws governing the said corporation prior to its new charter and claims and demands of every nature and character in existence at the date of said new charter may be collected from and of said new chartered corporation as fully and with like effect as if no change had taken place" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations created by or under the laws of any other state doing business in this State and in which three or more of the stockholders are citizens of this State and which are embraced within corporations of the second class defined in section two (2) of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" or its supplements after first causing publication to be made in at least one newspaper of general circulation and the legal periodical if any designated by the rules of court for the publication of legal notices in the county of this Commonwealth where its principal business is to be transacted in the manner and form now required by law for the publication of notice of intention to apply for a charter of incorporation under the laws of this Commonwealth said notices to be published at least once a week for three weeks prior to the approval and formal recording of their certificate may become corporations of this State under the provisions of said last mentioned act or its supplements by preparing having approved and recorded a certificate in which shall be stated

First The name of the corporation

Second Its purpose

Third The place or places where its business is to be transacted

Fourth The term for which it is to exist

Fifth The names and residences of the stockholders and the number of shares held by each

Sixth The number of its directors and the names and residences of those elected for the current year

Seventh The amount of its capital stock and the number and par value of the shares into which it is divided

Eighth The legislation under which it was originally created

Ninth Its financial condition at the date of the certificate showing capital stock paid in funded debt floating debt estimated value of property and cash assets if any

Said certificate shall be accompanied by a certificate under the seal of the corporation showing the consent of a majority in interest of such corporation to such application for a charter and to a renunciation of its original charter and of all privileges not enjoyed by corporations of its class under the laws of this Commonwealth

Section 2 Said certificates shall be acknowledged by at least three of the directors of said corporation before any person having authority by the laws of this Commonwealth to take such acknowledgment and said directors shall also make and subscribe an oath or affirmation before him to be endorsed on the said certificate that the statements contained therein are true The said certificate shall then be produced to the Governor of this Commonwealth who shall examine the same and if he find it to be

in proper form and within the purposes named for corporations of the second class in the said second section of said Act of April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four or its supplements before mentioned he shall approve thereof and endorse his approval thereon and direct letters patent to issue in the usual form incorporating said stockholders and their successors into a body politic and corporate in deed and in law by the name chosen and the said certificate shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth in a book to be by him kept for that purpose and he shall forthwith furnish the Auditor General an abstract therefrom showing the name location amount of capital stock and name and address of the treasurer of such corporation the said original certificate with all its endorsements shall then be recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in and for the county where its principal business is to be transacted

Section 3 From the date of said letters patent said corporation shall be and exist as a corporation of this Commonwealth under the provisions of law regulating corporations of its class and of its charter and all of the rights privileges powers immunities lands property and assets of whatever kind or character the same may be possessed and owned by the original corporation shall vest in and be owned and enjoyed by the said corporation so created as fully and with like effect as if its original charter had remained in force save as by general law and said certificate expressly stated otherwise and all suits claims and demands by said corporation in existence at the date of said new charter shall and may be sued prosecuted and collected under the laws governing the said corporation prior to its new charter and claims and demands of every nature and character in existence at the date of said new charter may be collected from and of said new chartered corporation as fully and with like effect as if no change has taken place and in making settlement for bonus if any then due the Commonwealth at the date of said letters patent said new chartered corporation shall be entitled to credit for all bonus theretofore paid by said original corporation upon the amount of its capital employed within this Commonwealth

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Salus,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Croft,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Washers,
Crow,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Daix,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman.
Endsley,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	Miller,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 36, entitled

An Act regulating the deposit of money belonging to the several counties of the Commonwealth in the banking institutions thereof, and providing for the collection of interest thereon.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—27.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Kline,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Vare,
Crow,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Weaver,
Daix,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Homsher,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Jones,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—3.

Leiby, Smith, R. E., Tompkins,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 119, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. Clarence J. Buckman) in the Chair.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 132, entitled

An Act to extend the authority of the Department of Public Works of first class cities over areas lying within three miles of the boundaries of said cities.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 137, entitled

An Act regulating the purchase of and contract for supplies in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion?

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 171, entitled

A Supplement to the act of April twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," providing for the election of a township solicitor in townships of the first class; fixing his term of office; prescribing his duties and qualifications and authorizing the board of township commissioners to fix his compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 223 (House Bill No. 134), entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
			Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 231 (House Bill No. 52), entitled

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jones,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Craig,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	Patton,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 247, entitled

An Act to fix the salary of the commission clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—32.

Buckman,	Jones,	Salus,	Stewart,
Burke,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,
Craig,	McConnell,	Schantz,	Vare,
Crow,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Warner,
Endsley,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Nason,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	Patton,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Haldeman,	Phipps,	Sproul,	Pres. pro tem.
Hindman,			

NAYS—1.

Leiby,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 249, as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States" approved April fifteenth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from twenty thousand square feet to forty thousand square feet approved the twenty-fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven by increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved May twenty-fifth Anno Domini nineteen hundred and seven entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act 'ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States' approved April fifteenth Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from twenty thousand square feet to forty thousand square feet" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when the United States of America "shall acquire by purchase condemnation or otherwise the lands tenements and hereditaments situate at the southwest corner of Broad street and Washington avenue in the County of Philadelphia now occupied as a depot of supplies for the United States Marine Corps and the other real property contiguous to and adjoining the same not exceeding in all forty thousand square feet in area the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby cedes jurisdiction over said real estate so acquired unto the United States of America" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when the United States of America shall acquire by purchase condemnation or otherwise the lands tenements and hereditaments situate at the southwest corner of Broad street and Washington avenue in the County of Philadelphia now occupied as a depot of supplies for the United States Marine Corps and the other real property contiguous to and adjoining the same not exceeding in all eighty thousand square feet in area the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby cedes jurisdiction over said real estate so acquired unto the United States of America

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
DeWitt,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman
Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 263, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties boroughs townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the re-investment of the proceeds thereof" by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 264, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population."

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Leiby,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	McConnell,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 302 (House Bill No. 217), on third reading, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend Section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighty-five, entitled "An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth," as amended by an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to amend Section nine of an act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled 'An Act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth,' by providing the time in which tax collectors shall pay over tax and make settlements," by providing that subject to certain restrictions, the commission of tax collectors shall be fixed by the authorities of the respective county, borough, township, school district, or poor district entitled to the tax.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the motion?
Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I am very much interested in this bill and have also been appealed to by other sections of the Commonwealth that have some interest in the bill, and for that reason I ask that it be recommitted, for the purpose of consultation with the author of the bill in the House and to get together, if we possibly can, on this bill.
Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to interrogate the Senator from Schuylkill.
The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, permit himself to be interrogated?
Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I will.
Mr. VARE. Mr. President, is there a crying demand for this bill?
Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, there is no crying demand for it, but there is a crying protest against it.
Mr. VARE. Mr. President, then I agree with the Senator from Schuylkill.
And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the motion?
It was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 309 (House Bill No. 349), entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals, and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes, and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—3.

McKee, Stewart, Warner,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 326, as follows:

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight Number one hundred and two) entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act" which reads as follows

"Section 3 The chief of the division shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding with the approval of the Governor for the term of four years or until his successor has been appointed and has qualified He shall before assuming the duties of his office take and subscribe to the oath or affirmation prescribed by the Constitution of this Commonwealth and shall give bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) conditioned on the faithful performance by him of the duties of his office He shall receive a salary of two thousand four hundred dollars" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The chief of the division shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding with the approval of the Governor for the term of four years or until his successor has been appointed and has qualified He shall before assuming the duties of his office take and subscribe to the oath or affirmation prescribed by the Constitution of this Commonwealth and shall give bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) conditioned on the faithful performance by him of the duties of his office He shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars

Section 2 That section four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 4 The Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding shall appoint in said division two shipping clerks two mailing clerks one bookkeeper and one stenographer and typewriter each of whom shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars one messenger who shall receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars Additional employes shall when necessary be assigned to the division by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 The Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding shall appoint in said division a chief clerk at a salary of eighteen hundred dollars per annum two shipping clerks two mailing clerks and one stenographer and typewriter each of whom shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars one wrapper and packer who shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars Additional employes shall when necessary be assigned to the division by the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 352, entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 354, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to enlarge cemeteries.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 355, entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915 by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts, and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act; and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Schantz,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—3.

Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 356, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Weaver,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 360, on third reading, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to abolish the office of associate judge not learned in the law.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 364, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers reviewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-two.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 365, entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny" approved the eighth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred fifty-five.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the Counties of Allegheny Cambria York Mercer Union Huntingdon Luzerne and Schuylkill" approved the fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred thirty-two in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 370, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to unused streets lanes and alleys" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 371, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 372, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county" approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 373, entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny County, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny, incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company, relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River, authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown, relative to miners in Schuylkill County, legitimatizing James C. Collins, relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 377, entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, giving the courts power to enforce its provisions" approved the 14th day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 378, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, and not more than

one million two hundred thousand, inhabitants, to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of female children under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts, and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishment, maintenance, and management thereof," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. R. E. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 385 (House Bill No. 120), on third reading, entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 386 (House Bill No. 270), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended, providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 387 (House Bill No. 141), entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 390 (House Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Washers,
DeWitt,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 392 (House Bill No. 111), entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Jones,	Patton,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Kline,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Leiby,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	McConnell,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

The PRESIDENT. Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), on third reading, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over

five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

has not been received from the printer and will go over in its order.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 397 (House Bill No. 432), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

The PRESIDENT. Senate Bill No. 399 (House Bill No. 618), on third reading, entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

has not been received from the printer and will go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Senate Bill No. 400 (House Bill No. 724), on third reading, entitled

An Act to authorize the councils of cities of this Commonwealth to authorize the purchase of food products, to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale.

has not been received from the printer and will go over in its order.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 468, entitled

An Act to enable two or more boroughs that are contiguous or in close proximity to be united and to become one city, wherever each of said boroughs shall have heretofore voted or shall hereafter vote to become a city of the third class, under laws now enacted or which may hereafter be enacted and wherever each of said boroughs has duly received or shall hereafter duly receive letters patent constituting it a city of the third class, but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed after the granting of such letters patent for the holding of a municipal election; providing for the consequences of such consolidation the government of such consolidated city, the payment of the indebtedness of each of the united territories and the enforcement of debts and claims due to and from each; and fixing the jurisdiction over the said consolidated city in the courts of the county in which the majority of its inhabitants shall reside.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 487, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 492, entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the proviisons of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WARNER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 624, entitled

An Act dividing the Middle Coal-field Poor District into four districts and providing for the nomination and election of a director and auditor from each district, and one director at large to be elected by the voters of all districts; fixing the time when such nominations and elections shall be held and when those elected shall take office; providing for appointments and filling of vacancies; placing the affairs of the district under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County; making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said district after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County; and repealing certain acts.

Which was committed to the Committee no Judiciary Special.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. NASON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 625, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act fixing the number, compensation, mileage and duties of the officers and employes of the General Assembly; and providing for their election or appointment, term of office and manner of filling vacancies."

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. HINDMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. HINDMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 626, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by the State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 627, entitled

An Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 628, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor, of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities, situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth, not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW (at the request of Mr. Catlin) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 629, entitled

An Act classifying and extending the terms of office of councilmen in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 630, entitled

An Act defining fraternal benefit societies and their status authorizing such societies to create subordinate lodges and to pay benefits upon the sickness disabliity or death of their members from funds collected and regulating such benefits. Providing for the organization of such societies and for their licensing supervision regulation and examination by the Insurance Commissioner and for the admission of foreign societies. Designating tables of mortality as a basis of rates of contribution. Requiring all societies to make annual reports and all foreign societies to appoint the Insurance Commissioner as attorney for service of process. Providing penalties for any violation of the act. Exempting such societies from taxation and certain other societies from its provisions and requiring beneficial associations other than fraternal benefit societies to report to and be supervised by the Insurance Commissioner and repealing existing laws.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 631, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a monument at Erie, Pennsylvania, commemorating the building of the fleet at that place and the conspicuous manner in which it performed its errand at the Battle of Lake Erie, and for repairs to and improvement for the Flagship Niagara.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 30th day of March, 1915, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by pro-

viding for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McKEE, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 258, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens, Pennsylvania, for moneys erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation the following nominations, made by His Excellency the Governor, which were laid over for one day under the rules.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 13, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, H. J. Hays, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Kittanning, County of Armstrong, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice M. D. Lehner, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jacob A Eberts, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of West Penn, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Jacob Zehner, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George A. Behney, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Pinegrove, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice F. L. Zimmerman, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George J. Dunn, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Girardville, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. F. Lavelle, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, James B. Neale, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Foster, County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure to elect.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, S. A. Duncan, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Cambridge Springs, County of Crawford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice M. H. Luse, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Samuel P. Winters, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Bethel, County of Fulton, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure to elect.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 14, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, M. T. Haxton, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Troy, County of Bradford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice William S. Holland, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 15, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Norton L. Gleason, to be a Justice of the Peace, in and for the Borough of Linesville, County of Crawford, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Fred J. Shattuck, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George W. Heverly, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Beccaria, County of Clearfield, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice J. F. McFarland, resigned.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William Orwig Rearick, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Old Armagh, County of Mifflin, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice John Longwell, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Albert S. Grosh, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of St. Mary's, County of Elk, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice William P. Barker, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ALDERMAN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Remuel La Bar, to be an Alderman in and for the Sixth Ward of the City of Wilkes-Barre, County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice B. F. Marshall, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

TRUSTEES TO ADMINISTER THE MOTHERS' ASSISTANCE FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Trustees to administer the Mothers' Assistance Fund for the County of Allegheny, until lawfully determined or annulled.

Mrs. John W. Thomas, Sharpsburg, Pa.
Miss Mary E. Bakewell, Sewickley, Pa.
Mrs. Edward Worcester, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. William D. Phelan, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Eleanor Hanson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Marcus Spire, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. P. W. Morgan, Wilmerding, Pa.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 304 (House Bill No. 267), entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as amended Senate Bill No. 305 (House Bill No. 268), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as amended Senate Bill No. 388 (House Bill No. 375), entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 216, as follows

An Act relating to the salaries and expenses of the examiners in the Department of Banking

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That each examiner in the Banking Department from and after the passage and approval of this act shall in the discretion of the Commissioner of Banking receive an annual salary not to exceed three thousand dollars and also the actual expenses incurred in the performance of the work assigned to said examiners by the said Commissioner of Banking which salary and expenses shall be paid monthly by warrants drawn by the Auditor General on the State Treasurer

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, in reading this bill it seems to me it involves a possible increase in appropriation, and I move that Senate Bill No. 216, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 240, on second reading, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Chestnut Hill Hospital of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President. I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 253, as follows

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgment and costs recovered in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county in the suit of Joseph Moore James S. T. Moore Annie M. Polk Rebecca E. Swiggett Mary E. Williams Spencer C. Moore vs. Robert K. Young Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of three hundred and sixty-four dollars and seventy ($364.70) cents is hereby specifically appropriated to Joseph Moore James S. T. Moore Annie M. Polk Rebecca E. Swiggett Mary E. Williams Spencer C. Moore or to their attorney for the purpose of paying a judgment and the costs thereon duly recovered in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county to number nine Commonwealth docket one thousand nine hundred sixteen by said parties against Robert K. Young State Treasurer for moneys escheated to the Commonwealth and to which the aforesaid parties in said suit established lawful claims in accordance with the provisions of law in such cases made and provided

Section 2 The aforesaid appropriation is hereby directed to be paid by the State Treasurer to Joseph Moore James S. T. Moore Annie M. Polk Rebecca E. Swiggett Mary E. Williams Spencer C. Moore or to their attorney on warrant of the Auditor General and after approval by the Attorney General

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 276, as follows

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one chapter two article four of an act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twelve) entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs" which reads as follows

"Section 1 When a borough has been erected from two or more villages the majority of the freeholders residing in any one or more of such parts of the borough may make application by a petition in writing to the court of quarter sessions praying that such part or parts may be set off from the borough and erected into a new borough" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 When a borough has been erected from two or more villages or from two or more boroughs the majority of the freeholders residing within the boundry limits of any one of the original villages or within the limits of any one of the boroughs heretofore consolidated may make application by a petition in writing to the court of quarter sessions praying that such part or parts may be set off from the borough and erected into a new borough

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 303 (House Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 303 (House Bill No. 259), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

MR. WASBERS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 307 (House Bill No. 286) entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 308 (House Bill No. 324), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said department.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 310 (House Bill No. 366) entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward I. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 314, as follows

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight) entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof' approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation thereof" providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons copartnerships associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as herein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof' approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person firm or corporate body by himself herself itself or themselves or by his her its or their agents servants or employes to sell offer for sale expose for sale or have in possession with intent to sell eggs that are unfit for food within the meaning of an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof' approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine for any purpose use cause or reason whatsoever unless the same shall have first been denatured with a sufficient quantity of kerosene to render all of the same unfit for use in the preparation of food and food products and further providing that the shells of all such eggs that may be unfit for food as hereinbefore mentioned shall first be removed or broken by smashing or otherwise so as to permit a free impregnation of the whole of the egg substance by the denaturing fluid and all persons violating any of the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the same penalties as provided in the act to which this is a supplement" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 It shall be unlawful for any person copartnership association or corporation to conduct at any given place any business of opening eggs and separating the egg content from the shell and using or disposing of the content thereof for any purpose unless he she it or they have first applied for and secured a license so to do from the Dairy and Food Commissioner The form of such license shall be prescribed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner The application for a license in addition to other matters which may be required to be stated thereon by said Dairy and Food Commissioner shall contain an accurate description of the place where the proposed separation of eggs is intended to be carried on and the name and style under which said business is proposed to be conducted If the said application is satisfactory to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and said name and style shall not in the judgment of the Dairy and Food Commissioner be calculated to deceive or mislead the public as to the real nature of the business so proposed to be carried on the Dairy and Food Commissioner shall issue to the applicant a license authorizing him her it or them to engage in the business of opening the eggs and separating the egg content from the shell for which said license the applicant shall first pay the annual sum of fifty dollars The said license fee when received by the Dairy and Food Commissioner shall be by him immediately covered into the State Treasury for the use of the Commonwealth Such license shall not authorize the holder thereof to carry on the business of opening the eggs and separating the egg content from the shell at any place other than that designated in the application and license All licenses shall be taken out for a full year The opening of egg unfit for food purposes and their denaturing by kerosene shall not be permitted in any building or premises where the opening of eggs for food purposes is carried on and such eggs as are found to be unfit for food purposes must be placed in containers painted of a bright red color and such red colored containers must not be used for wholesome eggs nor be found in establishments where food products are prepared and violations of either of these provisions shall be a misdemeanor and subject to the same penalties as the act of which this is a supplement

It shall be unlawful for any person copartnership association or corporation by himself herself itself or themselves or by his her its or their agents servants or employes to sell offer for sale expose for sale or have in possession eggs that are unfit for food within the meaning of an act entitled "An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof" approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine for any purpose use cause or reason whatsoever unless the same shall have first been denatured with a sufficient quantity of kerosene to render all of the same unfit for use in the prepartion of food and food products and further providing that the shells of all such eggs that may be unfit for food as hereinbefore mentioned shall first be removed or broken by smashing or otherwise so as to permit a free impregnation of the whole of the egg substance by the denaturing fluid

For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act the Department of Agriculture through its officer the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants shall have full access to all places of business factories mills buildings cars vessels barrels tanks containers and packages of whatever kind used in keeping storing shipping and handling eggs and shall have power to take sufficient quantity of eggs therefrom upon or offering payment for the same for the purpose of making an analysis thereof

All persons copartnerships associations or corporations violating any of the provisions of this act or interfering with or refusing to give access to the Dairy and Food Commissioner or any of his agents or assistants when securing quantities of eggs for the purpose of analysis shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the same penalties as provided in the act to which this is a supplement

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 320, as follows

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be the collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the several city treasurers hereafter elected in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth by virtue of their office shall be the collectors of all the city school and poor taxes assessed or levied in their respective cities and shall perform the duties and be subject to the hereinafter provisions of this act" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the several city treasurers hereafter elected or appointed in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth by virtue of their office shall be collectors of the city school and poor taxes assessed or levied in their respective cities by the proper authorities therein

Section 2 That section three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 The several city school and poor authorities now empowered or which may be hereafter empowered to levy taxes upon persons and property within the said cities of the third class shall on the first day of June in each year make out and deliver their respective duplicates of taxes assessed to the said city treasurer as the collector of the said several taxes which taxes shall be collected by the said city treasurer by virtue of his office as herein provided and the said duplicates shall at all times be open to the proper inspection of the taxpayers and of the proper auditing and examining officers and shall be delivered by the said treasurer at the expiration of his term to his successor in office" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The several city and poor authorities now empowered or which may be hereafter empowered to levy taxes upon persons and property within each of the said cities of the third class shall on the first day of March in each year make out and deliver their respective duplicates of taxes assessed to the said city treasurer of the respective city as the collector of the said taxes which shall be collected by the city treasurer by virtue of his office as aforesaid and the proper school authorities shall make out and deliver the school duplicates of their respective school districts of said city at the time and in the manner provided by law All duplicates of taxes placed in the hands of said treasurer shall at all times be open to the proper inspection of the taxpayers and of the proper auditing and examining officers of said city or of the school district as the case may be and shall be delivered by said treasurer at the expiration of his term to his successor in office.

Section 3 That section four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 4 The several duplicates shall be accompanied with the warrants of the proper authorities directing and authorizing the said city treasurer as the collector of taxes to collect the same The warrant for the collection of any school tax shall be executed by the president of the board of school controllers attested by the secretary thereof the warrants for any tax levied by the councils of any of said cities shall be executed by the mayor and be countersigned by the city controller and in all other cases the warrant shall be executed by the authority making the tax levy" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 The said several duplicates shall be accompanied with the warrants of the proper authorities directing and authorizing the said treasurer as the collector of taxes to collect the same The warrant for the collection of any tax levied by the council of any of said cities shall be executed by the mayor and countersigned by the superintendent of accounts and finance and in all other cases the warrant shall be executed by the authority making the tax levy

Section 4 That section seven of said act as the same was amended by an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen which as amended reads as follows

"Section 7 All persons who shall make payment on or before the first day of August in each year of any city or poor tax levied within the respective city of the third class and charged against the said persons in the proper duplicate shall be entitled to a reduction or abatement of one per centum from the amount thereof Upon all taxes remaining unpaid from the first day of September of each tax year three per centum shall be added thereto and upon the first day of every succeeding month thereafter there shall be added or charged an additional penalty for non-payment of one per centum until such taxes are paid which penalties shall be added to the taxes by the said treasurer as collector and be collected by him" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 All persons who shall make payment during the months of March and April in each year of city and poor tax shall be entitled to a reduction or abatement of one per centum from the amount thereof and all such taxes shall be payable at their face during the months of May and June in each year Upon all city and poor tax remaining unpaid on the first day of July in each year one per centum shall be added thereto and upon the first day of each succeeding month thereafter there shall be added or charged an additional penalty for non-payment of one per centum until such taxes are paid which penalty shall be added to the taxes by said treasurer as collector and be collected by him

Section 5 That section eight of said act be and the same is hereby repealed

Section 6 That section ten of said act which reads as follows

"Section 10 The said treasurer as collector of taxes shall at least once a month pay over to himself as city treasurer and school treasurer or charge himself therewith all the city school and poor taxes collected by him at the same time he shall make a return or report to the city controller verified by affidavit showing by whom and upon what properties the real estate city taxes have been paid and also make a report and return to such officer or representative of the board of school controllers and to such other authority in said city as shall be entitled thereto verified as aforesaid showing by whom and upon what properties the real estate school and poor taxes have been paid" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 10 The said treasurer as collector of taxes shall at least once a month pay over to himself as city treasurer or charge himself therewith all the city and poor taxes collected by him and at the same time he shall make a report or return to the superintendent of accounts and finance verified by affidavit showing by whom and upon what properties the real estate city ond poor taxes have been paid

Section 7 That section eleven of said act which reads as follows

"Section 11 Upon the payment to said treasurer as said collector of any taxes assessed against real estate it shall be his duty to satisfy the real estate taxes thus paid upon the duplicates in his hands He shall finally settle with the proper authorities all duplicates of taxes delivered to him on or before the first Monday of April following the date of the delivery of such duplicates and pay over the amount charged against him except such sums as he may be exonerated from collecting by the proper authorities which exonerations may be made in the manner as heretofore practiced" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 11 Upon the payment to said treasurer as said collector of any taxes assessed against real estate it shall be his duty to satisfy the real estate taxes thus paid upon the duplicates in his hands He shall finally settle with the proper authorities all duplicates of city and poor taxes delivered to him on or before the first Monday of January following the date of the delivery of such duplicates and pay over the amount charged against him except such sums as he may be exonerated from collecting by the proper authorities which exonerations may be made in the manner as heretofore practiced Upon the expiration of the term of office of the city treasurer in case of any of the taxes which he was commanded to collect remain unpaid he shall have the right

(a) To collect all the delinquent taxes for the space of one year after the expiration of his term of office and for this purpose all warrants issued to him during his term of office shall be effective to him as collector of taxes for the space of one year after the expiration of his term as city treasurer

(b) To certify real estate taxes remaining unpaid and delinquent to the city solicitor for filing in the court of common pleas as a city lien

(c) Or he may turn over the unpaid or delinquent taxes on real estate to his successor in office who shall have power to collect the same either by having the same filed in court as a lien or sell the same at public sale as provided by law authorizing the sale of real estate for the payment of delinquent taxes

In case the said treasurer as collector of taxes pays the taxes levied against any real estate he shall be entitled to collect the same from the person or persons who are liable therefor by his warrant so long as it is in force and have the said taxes filed in court as a lien for his use and after the expiration of his term as city treasurer he shall continue in office as the collector of school taxes until the end of the then current school year

Section 8 The provision contained in sections two (2) and four (4) of this act shall not go into effect until the first day of January Anno Domini nineteen hundred eighteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 339, as follows

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents in cities of first class

SALES OF TAX CLAIMS: PROCEEDINGS

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the right of any city of the first class to receive city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents and the lien thereof shall be sold by the city and after such sale shall be transferred in the manner provided by this act The right and claim so sold shall be called "Tax Claim" and the instrument by which it is assigned shall be called "Transfer of Tax Claim" Whenever any tax on lands or tenements or any municipal claim on lands or tenements for local improvements or water rents shall remain unpaid for the term of two years from the time same shall have been first due and payable it shall be lawful for the receiver of taxes of said city under the direction of the city solicitor of said city to advertise the tax claims on the said lands and tenements or any of them for sale including in such advertisement the tax claim for all items up to a day named in the advertisement and by such advertisement the owner or owners of such lands and tenements respectively shall be required to pay the amount of such city tax school tax municipal claim or water rents with the penalties thereon so remaining unpaid and interest thereon to the time of payment with the charges of such notice and advertisement to the said receiver of taxes

Notice shall be given by such advertisement that if default shall be made in such payment the tax claim on said lands and tenements will be sold at public auction at a day therein to be specified for the lowest rate of interest not exceeding twelve per centum per annum at which any person or persons shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the said city tax school tax municipal claim and water rents and penalties as the case may be interest thereon as aforesaid to the time of sale the charge of the above mentioned notices and advertisement and all other charges and costs accrued thereon

If notwithstanding such notice the owner or owners shall refuse or neglect to pay such city tax school tax municipal claim water rents and penalties with the interest as aforesaid and the charges attending such notice and advertisement then it shall be lawful for the said receiver of taxes under the direction of said city solicitor to cause such tax claim on such lands and tenements to be sold at public auction for the purpose and in the manner expressed in said advertisement and such sale shall be made on the day and at the place for the purpose mentioned in said advertisement. No such tax claims shall be hereafter sold at public auction for non-payment of any city tax school tax municipal claim or water rents which may be due thereon unless notice of such sale shall have been published once in each week successively for four weeks in two daily newspapers of general circulation published in said city and in one legal publication of said city if such there be which advertisement shall contain appended to said notice a particular and detailed statement of the property the tax claim on which is to be sold The said detailed statement and description instead of being published as aforesaid shall at the option of the city solicitor be printed in a pamphlet in which case copies of the pamphlet shall be deposited in the office of the said receiver of taxes and shall be delivered to any person applying therefor The notice provided for in this section to be given of the sale of tax claims shall also state that the detailed statement of the city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents and the property taxed assessed or on which the water rents are unpaid is published in two daily newspapers of general circulation published in said city and in one legal publication of said city if such there be or in a pamphlet as the case may be and that copies of the pamphlet are deposited in the office of said receiver of taxes and will be delivered to any person applying for the same No other notice or demand of the city tax school tax municipal claim or water rent shall be required to authorize the sale of tax claims on any lands and tenements as hereinbefore provided The receiver of taxes may with the written approval of the city solicitor cancel any certificate for unpaid city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents held by said city or to which said city has acquired the right and upon such cancellation the claim of such city tax school tax municipal claim or water rent shall be and remain the same as if no sale for such unpaid city tax school tax municipal claim or water rent had been made

TIME OF SALES

Section 2 The receiver of taxes shall hold such auction sales on the first Tuesday of each and every month unless said day falls on a holiday in which event the sale shall be held the following day and he shall apportion said tax claims so as to equalize as much as possible the number of auction sales from month to month

POSTPONEMENT OF SALES

Section 3 It shall be lawful for the receiver of taxes to suspend or postpone any sale or sales of tax claims on lands and tenements or any portion thereof which shall have been advertised for sale to any time not exceeding three months from the day specified in any such advertisement All sales which shall be so postponed or suspended may be made without further advertisement other than a general notice of such postponement to be published in the publication aforesaid

SALES OF TAX CLAIMS TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE RECEIVER OF TAXES

Section 4 The receiver of taxes or his deputy shall conduct the sales hereinbefore provided to be made and no auctioneer other than said receiver of taxes or his deputy shall be employed to make such sale and no auctioneers fees shall be charged thereon The receiver of taxes shall require from each purchaser of a tax claim at the time of such sale a deposit on account equal to ten per centum of the amount of the tax claim so purchased and not later than thirty days from the date of sale the balance shall be paid to the receiver of taxes at his office If no bid shall be received for a tax claim offered for sale the receiver of taxes for and on behalf of the city may bid in the said tax claim and upon such bid no deposit or payment in cash shall be required from the city When the city has bid in any tax claim a transfer of tax claim to the city shall be executed by the said receiver of taxes in the form and manner prescribed for other transfers of tax claims and the city shall have the same rights in to and under such transfer of tax claim as if the same had been bought by any other person Transfers of tax claims shall be made and delivered to the purchaser without charge upon payment of the amounts therein shown to be due In case any purchaser shall not complete his purchase in accordance with the terms prescribed as herein provided then the amount deposited by the purchaser at the time of the sale shall be forfeited to the city and the entire tax claim upon the lands affected by such purchase shall be sold again Resales shall be held at such time not exceeding three months from the day of the original sale or previous resale as the receiver of taxes may direct and shall be advertised in the publications aforesaid once in each week for two successive weeks In resales deposits and forfeitures thereof are subject to the same provisions as in original sales All deposits forfeited as aforesaid shall be paid into the general fund of said city

TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 5 A transfer of tax claim shall operate to transfer and assign the tax claims upon the lands or tenements described therein for the city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents and penalties the interest thereon and the charges of the notices and advertisement given pursuant to section one of this act and all other costs and charges so advertised for sale free of all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents which accrued before the day of the date mentioned in the advertisement of the same as stated therein and to create a lien upon the property affected thereby for the interest to which the purchaser may be entitled under his bid but subject to the lien for any right of the city to collect and receive all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents which accrued or which become a lien on and after the day of the date of the first advertisement of such sale as stated therein A transfer of tax claim shall contain a transfer and assignment by the city of the tax claim sold to the purchaser with the name and address of the purchaser date of the sale the aggregate amount of the tax claim so transferred and the items of city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents penalties and interest composing the tax claim the annual rate of interest which the purchaser has bid and will be entitled to receive the date when the amount of the tax claim will be due and a description of the real property affected by the tax claim together with the number of the property if such there be and such other identifying description as the receiver of taxes may deem proper to add Each transfer of tax claim shall be subscribed by or in behalf of the receiver of taxes making the sale or a successor in office of such receiver and shall be acknowledged by the officer subscribing the same in the manner in which deeds are required to be acknowledged to be recorded in the county in which the real property affected is situated

RECORD OF TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 6 The receiver of taxes shall keep in his office a public record of sales of tax claims and a copy of each transfer of tax claim issued by him Assignments of transfers of tax claim duly acknowledged may be filed and recorded in the office of the receiver of taxes A transfer of tax claim and any assignment thereof duly acknowledged shall be deemed conveyances under the recording acts and may be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of any county in which the real property which it affects is situated Transfers of tax claims and all assignments thereof shall be recorded by the recorder of deeds in the same manner as mortgages and assignments thereof for recording fees at the same rate as for recording other instruments No transfer of tax claim or assignments shall be filed or recorded unless the address of the purchaser or assignee is noted on such instrument

The record in the office of the receiver of taxes of sales of tax claims of the transfer of tax claim and of a copy of a transfer of tax claim and of an assignment of a transfer of tax claim and record of a transfer of tax claim in the office of recorder of deeds and of an assignment of tax claims duly acknogledged in the office of the recorder of deeds shall each be evidence in any court in the State without further proof A transcript of any record enumerated in this section duly certified shall be evidence in any court of the State with like effect as the original instrument of record

Neither a tax claim nor the rights transferred or created by a transfer of tax claim shall be impaired by failure of a recording officer to record a transfer of tax claim made by the city through the receiver of taxes Unless a contrary intent appears a tax claim shall be presumed to be satisfied and discharged whenever it shall appear from the record instrument that the tax claim has been transferred or assigned to the owner of said lands or tenements notwithstanding other intervening estates or liens

RIGHTS OF PURCHASER OF TAX CLAIM

Section 7 The aggregate amount of each tax claim transferred pursuant to this title shall be due three years from the date of the sale Until such aggregate amount is fully paid and discharged the holder of the transfer of tax claim shall be entitled to receive interest on such aggregate amount from the day of sale semi-annually on the first day of January and July at the rate which the purchaser shall have bid At the option of the holder of any transfer of tax claim the aggregate amount thereof shall become due and payable after default in the payment of interest for thirty days or after default for six months after the delivery of transfer of tax claim in the payment of any city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents which became a lien on and after the day of the date mentioned in the advertisement of the sale as stated therein of the tax claim transferred by such transfer of tax claim Any person having a legal or beneficial interest in property affected by a transfer of tax claim may satisfy the same before maturity upon giving thirty days' notice in writing to the holder thereof of the day on which payment will be made and upon payment of the principal with interest at the rate bid at a time three months after the day was fixed for payment If notice of intention to make payment be given as herein provided and such payment be not made then the whole amount of any tax claim concerning which such notice shall have been given shall become due and payable at the option of the holder thereof Or any such person may pay to the receiver of taxes such principal with interest at the rate bid up to a day six months after such payment In case such payment be made to the receiver of taxes he shall receive the same for the benefit of the holder of the tax claim thus discharged and shall give notice thereof to the purchaser or his assignee or the personal representative thereof by mail addressed to such address as may have been furnished to the receiver of taxes Upon receiving surrender of such transfer of tax claim the receiver of taxes shall pay the amount thus deposited to the person who according to the records in his office appears to be entitled thereto or to the personal representative of such person

DISCHARGE OF TAX CLAIM

Section 8 A tax claim sold pursuant to the provisions of this title must be discharged upon the record thereof by the receiver of taxes when payment is made to him of the principal and interest as provided in the last preceding section and also when the transfer of tax claim is surrendered to him for cancellation and there is presented to him a certificate executed by the purchaser or his assignee or the personal representative thereof acknowledged so as to be entitled to be recorded in the county in which the real property affected by such tax claim is situated certifying that the tax claim has been paid or has been otherwise satisfied and discharged The transfer of tax claim thus surrendered and such certificate of discharge must be filed by the receiver of taxes and he must note upon the margin of the record of such sale upon such transfer of tax claim and upon the copy of the transfer of tax claim kept in his office a minute of such discharge and the date of filing thereof If the transfer of tax claim shall have been lost or destroyed or mutilated if payment be made to the receiver of taxes or if a certificate of discharge be filed as hereinafter provided application for an order dispensing with the surrender of the transfer of tax claim may be made in writing to the receiver of taxes stating that the transfer of tax claim has been lost or destroyed or mutilated together with an affidavit as to the truth of the facts therein stated The receiver of taxes shall upon demand issue his certificate showing the discharge of any tax claim which may have been duly discharged as provided in this section and such certificate may be filed in any office where the transfer of tax claim is recorded and any recording officer with whom such a certificate is filed shall record the same and upon the margin of the record of such transfer of tax claim in his office shall note a statement that the same has been discharged with a reference to the record of such certificate in his office

EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION

Section 9 Tax claims and transfers of tax claims shall be exempt from taxation by the State or any local subdivisions thereof The real property affected by any tax claim shall not be exempt from taxation by reason of this section

FORECLOSURE OF TAX CLAIM

Section 10 If the amount of any tax claim which shall have been transferred by a transfer of tax claim shall not be paid when under its terms and the provisions of this act such amount shall be due the holder of such tax claim may maintain an action in the court of common pleas of the county in which the lands are situate to foreclose such tax claim In an action to foreclose a tax claim any person shall be a proper party of whom the plaintiff alleges that such person has or may have or that the plaintiff has reason to believe that such person has or may have an interest in or claim upon the real property effected by the tax claim Except as otherwise provided in this act an action to foreclose a tax claim shall be regulated by the provisions of law and rules of practice applicable to actions to foreclose mortgages on real property and the judgment thereon had and all subsequent proceedings not inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall be governed by the same laws and rules of pratcice as heretofore existing as if said city had brought such action The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania may be a party to an action to foreclose a tax claim in the same manner as a natural person

JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE OF TAX CLAIM

Section 11 In an action to foreclose a tax claim unless the defendants obtain judgment the plaintiff shall be entitled to a judgment establishing the validity of the tax claim so far as the same shall not be adjudged invalid and of the transfer of tax claim and directing the sale of the real property affected thereby or such part thereof as shall be sufficient to discharge the tax claim or such items thereof as shall not be adjudged invalid and the interest thereon and all other accrued city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents affecting the real property together with the expenses of the sale and the costs of the action

EFFECT OF JUDGMENT FORECLOSING TAX CLAIM

Section 12 Every final judgment in an action to foreclose a tax claim shall be binding upon and every conveyance upon a sale pursuant thereto shall transfer to and vest in the purchaser all the right title interest and estate in and claim upon the real property affected by such judgment of the plaintiff each defendant upon whom the summons is served each person claiming from through or under such a defendant by title accruing after the filing of notice of pendency of the action or after the entry of judgment and each person not in being when the judgment is rendered who afterwards may become entitled to a beneficial interest attaching to or an estate or interest in such real property or any portion thereof provided that the person presumptively entitled to such beneficial interest estate or interest is a party to such action or bound by such judgment Any law or rule of practice allowing a defendant to defend an action after final judgment shall not apply to an action to foreclose a tax claim Delivery of the possession of real property affected by a judgment to foreclose a tax claim may be compelled in the same manner as in the case of other sheriffs sales and the purchaser at such sale shall immediately take an absolute title in fee simple without any right of redemption in favor of the defendant whatsoever

SURPLUS

Section 13 Any surplus of the proceeds of the sale after paying the expenses of the sale and all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents which accrued or become a lien on and after the day of the date mentioned in the advertisement of the sale as stated therein under which the foreclosed transfer of tax claim was issued and after satisfying the amount of the tax claim and interest and the costs of the action will be subject to the provisions of law and rules of practice applicable to all other sheriffs sales

PROCEDURE WHEN NO BID FOR A TAX CLAIM IS RECEIVED

Section 14 If no bid received for a tax claim on any parcel of property at a duly advertised sale and it shall appear to the receiver of taxes that the city taxes school taxes municipal cialms and water rents penalties and accrued interest amount to so large a proportion of the value of the property that the security is insufficient to attract bidders then and in that event the receiver of taxes and the city solicitor shall investigate the facts and may fix a lesser amount for which in their judgment a tax claim bearing twelve per centum interest can be sold A certificate in writing signed by them shall be filed with the receiver of taxes setting forth the amount so determined by them together with a brief statement of the seasons of such reduction which certificate shall include the total amount of the city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents penalties and accrued interest and the assessed value of such parcel of real estate

Thereafter such reduced amount shall constitute the tax claim upon said real property for the items therein enumerated unless the same be increased as hereinafter provided which reduced amount shall bear interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of such certificate until fully paid or until the tax claim thus fixed together with the lien for any other city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents and penalties and interest becoming liens thereafter shall be sold The receiver of taxes shall forthwith advertise the tax claim for such reduced amount for sale to the highest bidder in the manner provided for the advertisement for the sale of ordinary tax claims Such tax claim shall bear interest at twelve per centum and shall be sold to the person bidding the highest amount of money in excess of the reduced amount so fixed by the receiver of taxes and city solicitor provided that if the bidding reaches the original amount of the tax claim on the real property affected together with all interest and penalties thereon the sale shall proceed in the manner provided in section four If such tax claim is sold for a sum greater than the reduced amount fixed as aforesaid with the interest and penalties thereon than such greater amount shall be considered the tax claim upon the real property affected thereby If no bid shall be received at such sale the receiver of taxes and city solicitor shall reconsider their determination and may file a new certificate in the manner hereinbefore provided and the receiver of taxes shall proceed again as hereinbefore directed Such procedure shall be repeated

until a tax claim for such city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents and accrued interest shall be sold

REIMBURSEMENT FOR DEFECTIVE TAX CLAIMS OR TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 15 If a transfer of tax claims be vacated or be set aside or cancelled or if it be adjudged in any action that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective or not sufficient to transfer a tax claim to the purchaser thereof or if in any action to foreclose a tax claim it be adjudged that the entire tax claim is void and not a valid claim on the premises which it purports to affect and that the complaint be dismissed the purchaser may surrender such transfer of tax claim together with a certified copy of such judgment or decree to the receiver of taxes and thereupon shall be repaid by the city the amount paid for such transfer of tax claim with interest from time of such payment at the rate set forth in the transfer of tax claim and the city shall pay the taxed costs and disbursements of any action or proceeding in which such adjudication is made

REIMBURSEMENT WHEN PART OF TAX CLAIM IS DEFECTIVE.

Section 16 If in any action to foreclose a tax claim it shall be adjudged that some but not all of the items constituting such tax claim are void and not a valid lien on the premises covered by such tax claim or if in any action or proceeding it be adjudged that a transfer or tax claim is invalid or defective as to some though not as to all of the items transferred the holder of the transfer of tax claim by instrument in writing duly acknowledged shall retransfer to the city the items thus affected and shall be repaid by the city such portion of the amount paid for such transfer of tax claim as may be applicable to the items thus affected with interest from the time of such payment at the rate set forth in the transfer of tax claim and the city shall pay the taxed costs and disbursements of any action or proceedings other than an action to foreclose the tax claim in which such adjudication is made The provisions of this section shall not apply to a tax claim which has been reduced as provided in section fourteen unless by such an adjudication the amount of the tax claim which shall remain valid and enforceable be reduced below the sum bid for the same and interest thereon at the rate to which the holder of the transfer of tax claim is entitled and the amount repaid by the city shall not exceed the difference between the sum to which the tax claim has been reduced and the sum paid therefor with interest thereon at the rate to which the holder of the transfer of tax claims is entitled

OWNERS MAY QUESTION TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS.

Section 17 Any person interested in or holding a lien upon any real property affected by any unpaid tax claim or transfer of tax claim may file a written notice with the receiver of taxes claiming that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective or that a tax claim which has been transferred pursuant to this title or which is advertised to be transferred is invalid defective void or ineffectual or should be vacated or set aside . The receiver of taxes shall transmit all such notices to the city solicitor who shall examine into the facts and proceedings resulting in the tax claim or transfer of tax claim mentioned in such notice Before a determination is had the city solicitor shall serve a copy of such notice upon the holder of the transfer of tax claim which is thus questioned or which transfers the items thus questioned and shall give such holder an opportunity to be heard

The city solicitor shall certify in writing his opinion upon the matters and questions raised by such notice and if he concludes that a defense in an action to foreclose the tax claim would succeed in whole or in part he shall so certify and shall recommend what action shall be taken by the city concerning the same If the city solicitor concludes that such defense would succeed in whole or in part and recommends repayment by the city of the amount paid for a transfer of tax claim which would be applicable to any item he shall state the reasons for such recommendation and if it be approved by the receiver of taxes he shall require the surrender of the transfer of tax claim or retransfer to it of the item or items of tax claim which are found to be void or defective and shall make repayment therefor in the same manner as if such transfer of tax claim tax claim or items had been adjudicated in the manner provided in sections fifteen and sixteen

Neither the provisions of this section nor any act or proceeding thereunder shall impair or in any other manner affect the rights or remedies of any person interested in or holding any lien upon real property to question the validity of any city tax school tax municipal claim water rents or tax claim or any part or item of any tax claim

CITY SOLICITOR TO PROTECT INTEREST OF CITY.

Section 18 No claim shall be made against the city under sections fifteen sixteen or seventeen by the holder of any tax claim unless action to foreclose the tax claim or transfer of tax claim upon which such claim is founded be commenced within five years from the time of the sale resulting in such transfer of tax claim Nor shall any claim be made against the city under sections fifteen or sixteen unless within ten days after the commencement of any action or proceedings to vacate set aside or cancel a transfer of tax claim or a tax claim or an item mentioned in a transfer of tax claim or unless within ten days after the service of any pleading or other paper in an action or proceeding in which any transfer of tax claim or item mentioned in a transfer of tax claim is brought into question sought to be set aside vacated or cancelled or which sets forts or pleads any defense to an action to foreclose a tax claim a notice in writing is served upon the city solicitor setting forth the question or objection raised to the best knowledge of the holder of the transfer of tax claim or his attorney at law and demanding that the city take up the prosecution or defense of the action or proceeding All proceedings in such action or proceeding shall be stayed for thirty days or such shorter time as the city solicitor shall stipulate in writing

It shall be the duty of the city solicitor to examine the questions raised and in order to protect the interests of the city he shall have the right to be substituted for the attorney of record of the holder of the transfer tax claim or to appear as attorney of record for the holder of any such transfer of tax claim to conduct or defend any such action or proceeding in the name of the holder of the transfer of tax claim and to bring any other action or proceeding for on behalf of and in the name of the holder of such transfer of tax claim as he may deem advisable to take appeals and to argue appeals taken by the adverse party as he may deem advisable It shall be the duty of the city solicitor to protect the interest of the city in all matters actions and proceedings relating to tax claims and transfer of tax claims to intervene on behalf of the city or of the holder of a transfer of tax claim in or to make the city a party to any action in which he believes it to be to the interest of the city so to do by reason of any matter arising under or relating to any tax claim or transfer of tax claim or advertisement of sale of tax claims

In any action or proceeding in which the city solicitor pursuant to this section shall be substituted or shall appear it shall be without expense to the holder of the transfer of tax claim and all costs recovered on behalf of such holder of a transfer of tax claim in any action or proceeding conducted or defended by the city solicitor shall belong to the city and shall be collected applied and disposed of in the same manner as are other costs recovered by the city

DEFECTIVE OR INVALID TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIM PROCEDURE ANEW

Section 19 If a transfer of tax claim be vacated or be set aside or cancelled or if it be adjudged that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective or insufficient to transfer a tax claim to the purchaser thereof or if in any action to foreclose a tax claim it be adjudged that a tax claim is not a valid lien on the premises which it purports to affect because of some irregularity in the proceedings had and if in pursuance of any such adjudication the purchaser of said transfer of tax claim shall have surrendered such transfer of tax claim to the receiver of taxes and shall have been repaid by the city the amount paid for such transfer of tax claim with interest and costs and disbursements of the said action of proceeding in which such adjudication was made then and in that event the tax claim which was purported to be transferred and assigned in such transfer of tax claim shall remain as a valid lien upon the premises which it affects except to such extent as it may have been adjudged irregular or invalid and the receiver of taxes shall proceed to sell anew as provided in section one of this act so much of the said tax claim as is not invalid as if no prior sale purporting to transfer the said tax claim had taken place

LOST TRANSFER OF TAX CLAIM DELIVERY OF DUPLICATE IN CASE OF

Section 20 Whenever any transfer of tax claim given by the receiver of taxes as in this title provided shall be lost the city solicitor may receive evidence of such loss and on satisfactory proof of the fact may direct the receiver of taxes to execute and deliver a duplicate to such person or persons who shall appear entitled thereto and may also in his discretion require a bond of indemnity to the city

BILLS TO HAVE NOTICE OF SALES OF TRANSFER OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 21 There shall be printed in a conspicuous place on all bills for city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents the following notice

"Whenever any city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rent shall remain unpaid for the term of two years from the time same shall have been first due and payable the tax claim on the property will be sold to satisfy such arrears of city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents and all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents up to a day to be named in the advertisement of sale as therein stated" except however that whenever bills are rendered for the current year and a tax claim has been sold for prior city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents then said bills shall have printed thereon in a conspicuous place the following notice

"Tax claim has been sold for prior unpaid city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents against this property"

Section 22 This act shall not affect or impair any act done or right accruing accrued or acquired nor any penalty or forfeiture incurred prior to the time when this act takes effect by virtue of any Act of Assembly or part thereof repealed amended or modified by this act but such right penalty or forfeiture may be asserted enforced prosecuted or inflicted as fully and to the same extent as if this act had not been passed or said acts or parts of acts not been amended repealed or modified No tax sale heretofore made shall be affected by this act but the rights of all persons with respect thereto shall be the same as if this act had not been passed and all actions suits proceedings or prosecutions under any Act of Assembly or part thereof hereby amended repealed or modified and pending when this act takes effect may be prosecuted and defended to final effect in the same manner as they might prior to the time when this act takes effect

Section 23 This act shall take effect at once

Section 24 All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 350, as follows

An Act relating to plumbing house drainage sewers and cess pools in cities of the third class and empowering the councils of said cities to prescribe by ordinance rules regulations and requirements for the construction of plumbing house drainage sewers and cess pools the manner of doing said work and the reconstruction and repair thereof and authorizing council to fix the license fees for licensing of persons engaged in plumbing work and other fees in connection with plumbing

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the council in each city of the third class in this Commonwealth is hereby empowered and required to pass ordinances prescribing rules regulations and requirements for the construction of plumbing house drainage sewers and cess pools and for the reconstruction and repair thereof which rules regulations and requirements may include the manner in which the said work shall be done and the kind size and quality of the materials to be used therefor

Section 2 The said council shall also have power by ordinance to fix the amount of license fees to be paid by all plumbers master plumbers journeymen or by any other person or persons entitled to license and to require the payment of the proper inspection permits and other fees

Section 3 Any acts of Assembly part or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 361 (House Bill No. 319, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 363, as follows

An Act to refund to the Sanitary Casket Protector Company of Berks county money erroneously paid as tax on capital stock

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of forty dollars and eighty-three cents ($40.83) is hereby specifically appropriated to refund to the Sanitary Casket Protector Company of Hamburg Berks county Pennsylvania money erroneously paid by it to the Auditor General in one thousand nine hundred thirteen as tax on capital stock for one thousand nine hundred twelve for which said company under the laws of the Commonwealth was not liable

Said amount shall be paid on warrant of the Auditor General on due proof that such moneys were as aforesaid erroneously and actually paid into the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 384 (House Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs; making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same and for paper.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 389 (House Bill No. 3), entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 396 (House Bill No. 420), entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the centennal anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Butler, Butler County.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 470, as follows:

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg Mississippi for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg Mississippi in June and July One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park October sixteenth seventeenth eighteenth and nineteenth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act

Whereas A memorial celebration and peace jubilee was held at Gettysburg Pennsylvania on the fiftieth anniversary of the battle fought at that place during the Civil War in July nineteen hundred and thirteen and such celebration gave to the veterans of the Union Army known as the Army of the Potomac and the Confederate Army known as the Army of Virginia an opportunity of meeting in such a gathering of peace and unity and

Whereas Coincidently with that battle and equally important event to this country occurred in July eighteen hundred and sixty-three in the siege and defense of Vicksburg the survivors of the Armies of the Tennessee and of the Mississippi who participated in that siege now desire to join in a National Memorial Reunion and peace Jubilee to commemorate the half century of peace and prosperity to the American nation and further to strengthen the fraternal ties of brotherly amity in a United Nation of States and

Whereas The United States Congress in sixty-fourth Congress passed an Act approved September eighth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen appropriating the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to provide and furnish under the direction and management of the Secretary of War the necessary supply of water sewerage sanitation and hospital service for the health and accommodation of the attending veterans and to provide and furnish all necessary tents and garrison equipment together with the required rations and supplies properly prepared and served as may attend the said National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park October sixteenth seventeenth eighteenth and nineteenth nineteen hundred and seventeen Now therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there shall be provided and furnished at the

expense of the Commonwealth to all surviving honorably discharged soldiers resident in Pennsylvania at the date of the passage of this act and whose names are borne upon the rolls of the Forty-fifth Fiftieth Fifty-first and One Hundred Regiments of Pennsylvania Volunteers and Durell's Battery of Pennsylvania which organizations participated in the Siege of Vicksburg transportation to cover distance from the railway station in Pennsylvania at which such soldier lives or from the railway station in Pennsylvania nearest to their places of residence by the shortest and most convenient route to Vicksburg Mississippi and return and it shall be so arranged as to terms of passage that the said transportation shall be good for at least twenty days

Section 2 That the Adjutant General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed authorized and empowered to provide transportation for said soldiers as aforesaid to and from Vicksburg Mississippi For such transportation he is authorized to pay such sums of money as shall be agreed upon and the Adjutant General is further authorized to provide such blanks and establish such rules for the reception of application and the issuance of orders for transportation as may be deemed proper and shall give publicity to the provisions of this act in order that all soldiers entitled to transportation under the same may avail themselves of its benefits

Section 3 That any person who shall impersonate any soldier entitled to the provisions of this act to secure transportation under it or use or attempt to use the transportation provided for such soldiers or any soldier who having procured such transportation and who shall sell barter trade or dispose of such transportation in any manner whatsoever to any other person shall be guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisonment not more than one month or both at the descretion of the court

Section 4 That the sum of ten thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expense of transportation provided for in this act Said appropriation to be paid on the warrant of the Auditor General upon the requisition of the Adjutant General drawn in the usual manner The Adjutant General shall within ninety days after the close of the National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee file with the Auditor General itemized vouchers showing the disbursements for said transportation

Section 5 That the Governor shall appoint three commissioners members of the Grand Army of the Republic Department of Pennsylvania who need not necessarily be members of the organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg The duty of said commissioners shall be to make all necessary arrangements for the comfort of the representatives of the regiments aforesaid including Durell's Battery while in attendance at said reunion The sum of six hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of the said commission Said appropriation to be paid by warrant of the Auditor General upon the requisition of the Adjutant General who shall file with the Auditor General within ninety days after the close of the National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee itemized vouchers showing the disbursements of said commission for said expenses

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 474, as follows:

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one entitled "An Act providing when how upon what property and to what extent liens shall be allowed for taxes and for municipal improvements and for the removal of nuisances the procedure upon claims filed therefor the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payments of such claims the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales"

Whereas The Superior Court by a recent decision has decided that the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one entitled "An Act providing when how upon what property and to what extent liens shall be allowed for taxes and for municipal improvements and for the removal of nuisances the procedure upon claims filed therefor the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales" has been in part repealed by an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and eighty-five) entitled "An Act providing for the return of taxes on seated lands in counties poor districts boroughs incorporated towns and townships for county poor borough town or township taxes respectively and providing for the sale of such lands for taxes" so that such tax liens have become invalidated and unenforceable and

Whereas A number of the tax collectors of the State of Pennsylvania as well as the counties townships and boroughs have been relying upon the act of one thousand nine hundred and one for the enforcement of their tax claims within their respective districts and in consequence of which a large amount of taxes will be totally lost therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all tax liens and claims heretofore filed under and by virtue of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and sixty-four) entitled "An Act providing when how upon what property and to what extent liens shall be allowed for taxes and for municipal improvements and for the removal of nuisances the procedure upon claims filed therefor the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales" and its several supplements and amendments and any tax liens filed within three months after the approval of this act in accordance with the provisions of said act be and the same are hereby validated and made effectual as if the act of May twenty-first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen had not been passed provided the tax liens shall in other respects be legal and valid and provided further That this act shall not apply to any cases already adjudicated or to any suits now pending and undetermined

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 489, as follows:

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction to portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of section one of an act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred forty-six) entitled "An Act regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes" which reads as follows

"Rheostats.

All rheostats to be mounted on slate insulator properly supported said supports to be made of iron and securely fastened to the floor rheostats to be securely fastened to slate insulator"

be amended to read as follows

Rheostats.

All rheostats to be mounted on slate insulator properly supported said supports to be made of iron and securely fastened to the floor rheostats to be securely fastened to slate insulator wherever practical rheostats may be put up outside the booth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 490, as follows:

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any city or borough within this Commonwealth shall have under existing laws paved curbed and guttered or otherwise improved its highways or any of them at the expense in whole or in part of the owners of

property bounding and abutting thereon and such owners or any number of them shall have paid the assessments levied against them by such city or borough for such improvement into the respective treasury the said cities and boroughs are hereby authorized and empowered to refund to the said owners of property or to their heirs or assigns the amount of the assessment thus paid by them if it shall have been determined in any proceeding at law or in equity by a court of competent jurisdiction that the owners of property bounding or abutting on said highway or highways are not liable for the payment of such improvement

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 491, as follows:

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor for the county of Schuylkill at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight and every third year thereafter and fixing the salary of the three said directors to be paid out of the treasury of the county of Schuylkill and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of the act approved the twelfth day of June one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and twenty-nine) entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor for the county of Schuylkill at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight and every third year thereafter and fixing the salary of the three said directors to be paid out of the treasury of the county of Schuylkill and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving" which reads as follows

"Section 2 That the salary of each director elected under this act shall be twelve hundred ($1,200) dollars per annum payable in monthly installments together with all necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties subject to the approval of the county controller" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 2 That from and after the passage of this act the salary of each director of the poor for the county of Schuylkill shall be two thousand five hundred dollars per annum payable in monthly installments out of the treasury of the county of Schuylkill which shall be in full and in lieu of all other compensation for the services of said directors of the poor

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 505, as follows:

An Act directing the commission appointed under the act of April twenty-third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a commission of three persons learned in the law to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates and making an appropriation" to publish preliminary drafts of bills prepared by said Commission codifying the law of decedents' estates providing for the distribution thereof and making an appropriation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the commission appointed under the provisions of the act of April twenty-third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-seven) entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a commission of three persons learned in the law to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates and making an appropriation" is hereby directed to have printed and bound in buckram five thousand copies of the preliminary drafts of bills codifying the law of decedents' estates with accompanying notes as prepared by said commission

Section 2 The said five thousand copies shall be distributed as follows One hundred copies to the Governor one hundred copies to the Attorney General fifty copies to the State Library fifty copies to the Legislative Reference Bureau twenty copies to each Senator of the present General Assembly twelve copies to each Member of the House of Representatives of the present General Assembly one copy to each judge within the Commonwealth one copy to each law library and the remaining copies to the members of said commission

Section 3 For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act the commission is authorized to use any unexpended balance appropriated to said commission under the provisions of said act of April twenty-third one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and in addition thereto the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to the use of said commission Payment of the aforesaid balance and of the aforesaid appropriation shall be made on order of the chairman of said commission and on warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 515, as follows:

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of thirty thousand dollars ($30,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg to cover a deficiency in the appropriation for maintenance for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 532, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of article three of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of Article three of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending laws in relation thereto" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Any borough or township or part of a township adjoining any city of the third class and being a part of the county in which the same is situated may be annexed to such adjoining city in the following manner namely In case of a borough the town council may pass an ordinance for such annexation whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such borough shall present a petition asking therefor in case of a township or part of a township whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such township or part of a township shall present a petition to council of said city asking for such annexation which said petition in case a part only of a township desires to be admitted shall be accompanied by a plot of the same" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Any borough or township or part of a township adjoining any city of the third class and being a part of the county in which the same is situated may be annexed to such adjoining city in the following manner namely In case of a borough the town council shall pass an ordinance for such annexation whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such borough shall present a petition asking therefor in the case of a township or part of a township whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such township or part of a township shall present a petition to council of said city asking for such annexation which said petition in case a part only of a township desires to be admitted shall be accompanied by a plot of the same

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 533, as follows:

An Act requiring boards or commissioners having charge of public grounds and parks in cities of the first class to set aside in certain cases lands suitable for the erection of a stadium

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority

of the same That any board or commissioners in any city of the first class vested with power to regulate grounds and parks for the health and enjoyment of the people under and by virtue of any special act of the General Assembly shall set aside such part or parcel of land for the purpose of the erection of a stadium as councils may by ordinance or resolution deem necessary for the said purpose

Section 2 That the said piece of ground so set aside together with the said stadium and appurtenances thereto shall be placed under the care and maintenance of the said city

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 109, entitled

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth; requiring nonresidents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth; providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions, and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 121, entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same, and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven, entitled "An Act relating to borough officers, employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions," extending the same to apply to cities of the third class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 330, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth by adding thereto sections four and five.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 381, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 401 (House Bill No. 515), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to cemeteries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 401 (House Bill No. 515), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 402 (House Bill No. 516), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred twenty-two), entitled "An Act to provide efficient and practical means for the prevention, control and eradication of a disease affecting chestnut trees, commonly called the chestnut tree blight; providing for the destruction of trees so affected; creating a commission to carry out the purpose of this act; fixing penalties for violation of the provisions hereof, and making an appropriation therefor," and the amendment to the same approved the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred thirteen).

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 402 (House Bill No. 516), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 403 (House Bill No. 517), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fiduciaries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 403 (House Bill No. 517), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 404 (House Bill No. 518), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 404 (House Bill No. 518), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 405 (House Bill No. 519), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to bounties for the killing of animals.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 405 (House Bill No. 519), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 406 (House Bill No. 520), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to banks and banking.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 406 (House Bill No. 520), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 407 (House Bill No. 521), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to attorneys-at-law.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 407 (House Bill No. 521), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 408 (House Bill No. 522), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to canal companies.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 408 (House Bill No. 522), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 409 (House Bill No. 523), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to civil procedure.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 409 (House Bill No. 523), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 410 (House Bill No. 524), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to game and fish.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 410 (House Bill No. 524), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 411 (House Bill No. 525), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to food.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 411 (House Bill No. 525), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 412 (House Bill No. 526), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to constables.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 412 (House Bill No. 526), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 413 (House Bill No. 527), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to corporations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 413 (House Bill No. 527), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 414 (House Bill No. 528), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to counties and the officers and employes thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 414 (House Bill No. 528), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 415 (House Bill No. 529), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to courts of justices of record and not of record.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 415 (House Bill No. 529), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 416 (House Bill No. 530), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to estates of decedents.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 416 (House Bill No. 530), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 417 House Bill No. 531), entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four and five of an act, approved the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws seventeen), entitled "An Act making constables of townships and boroughs ex-officio fire, game and fish wardens, prescribing their power and duties, fixing their fees as wardens, and prescribing their punishment for failure to perform their duties," insofar as they relate to fire wardens.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 417 (House Bill No. 531), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 419 (House Bill No. 533), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relative to domestic animals.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 419 (House Bill No. 533), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 420 (House Bill No. 534), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to forests and forest reserves.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 420 (House Bill No. 534), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 421 (House Bill No. 535), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insurance.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 421 (House Bill No. 535), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 422 (House Bill No. 536), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to intoxicating liquors.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 422 (House Bill No. 536), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 423 (House Bill No. 537), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 423 (House Bill No. 537), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 424 (House Bill No. 538), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to escheats.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 424 (House Bill No. 538), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 425 (House Bill No. 539), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the fees of public officers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 425 (House Bill No. 539), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 426 (House Bill No. 540), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to fences.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 426 (House Bill No. 540), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 427 (House Bill No. 541), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to municipalities.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 427 (House Bill No. 541), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 428 (House Bill No. 542), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly for the protection of the public health.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 428 (House Bill No. 542), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 429 (House Bill No. 543) entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to hawkers and peddlers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 429 (House Bill No. 543), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 430 (House Bill No. 544), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly establishing holidays.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 430 (House Bill No. 544), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 431 (House Bill No. 545), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly declaring certain offices incompatible.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 431 (House Bill No. 545), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.
Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 432 (House Bill No. 546), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to inns and taverns.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 432 (House Bill No. 546), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 433 (House Bill No. 547), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to insolvency and assignment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 433 (House Bill No. 547), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 434 (House Bill No. 548), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to vital statistics.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 434 (House Bill No. 548), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 435 (House Bill No. 549), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to weights and measures.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 435 (House Bill No. 549), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 436 (House Bill No. 550), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to navigation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 436 (House Bill No. 550), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 437 (House Bill No. 551), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to negotiable instruments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 437 (House Bill No. 551), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 438 (House Bill No. 552), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to notaries public.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 438 (House Bill No. 552), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 439 (House Bill No. 554), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to landlords and tenants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 439 (House Bill No. 554), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 440 (House Bill No. 555), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 440 (House Bill No. 555), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 441 (House Bill No. 556), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to jurors.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 441 (House Bill No. 556), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 442 (House Bill No. 557), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mechanics liens.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 442 (House Bill No. 557), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 443 (House Bill No. 558), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to married women.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 443 (House Bill No. 558), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 444 (House Bill No. 559), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the militia.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 444 (House Bill No. 559), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 445 (House Bill No. 560), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to mines and mining.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 445 (House Bill No. 560), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 446 (House Bill No. 561), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventeen), entitled "A Supplement to the act passed the twenty-ninth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act to prevent the destruction of timber,' and supplementary to the act, entitled 'An Act to prevent the damages which may happen by firing woods,' passed the eighteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 446 (House Bill No. 561), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 447 (House Bill No. 562), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seven), entitled "An Act providing a fixed charge on lands acquired by the State for forestry reserves, and the distribution of revenue so derived, for school and road purposes." in so far as it fixes a charge and provides for the distribution of revenues so derived for school purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 447 (House Bill No. 562), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 448 (House Bill No. 563), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 448 (House Bill No. 563), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 449 (House Bill No. 564), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to trade marks

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 449 (House Bill No. 564), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 450 (House Bill No. 565), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred ten), entitled "An Act to encourage the planting of trees along the roadsides of this Commonwealth, and providing a penalty for killing, removing or injuring the same; what disposition is to be made of moneys collected as penalties, and for keeping a record, by the supervisor of roads or boards of supervisors of roads, of trees so planted and upon which a tax abatement has been granted."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 450 (House Bill No. 565), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 451 (House Bill No. 566), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to trade regulations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 451 (House Bill No. 566), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 452 (House Bill No. 567), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to roads and bridges.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 452 (House Bill No. 567), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 453 (House Bill No. 568), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly fixing the salaries of public officers and employes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 453 (House Bill No. 568), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 454 (House Bill No. 569), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts of Assembly relating to servants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 454 (House Bill No. 569), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 455 (House Bill No. 570), entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred three (Pamphlet Laws four hundred fifty-four), entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the erection and fitting of a sanatorium, and for the maintenance thereof, on the State Forestry Reservation at Mont Alto, in Franklin or Adams Counties, and authorizing the Commissioner of Forestry to make and enforce rules and regulations governing the same."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 455 (House Bill No. 570), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 456 (House Bill No. 571), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the State Library.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 456 (House Bill No. 571), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 457 (House Bill No. 572), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to real property.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 457 (House Bill No. 572), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 458 (House Bill No. 573), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to oaths and affirmations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 458 (House Bill No. 573), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 459 (House Bill No. 574), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to crude and petroleum oils.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 459 (House Bill No. 574), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 460 (House Bill No. 575), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public accounts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 460 (House Bill No. 575), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 461 (House Bill No. 576), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public officers and employes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 461 (House Bill No. 576), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 462 (House Bill No. 577), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public lands.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 462 (House Bill No. 577), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 463 (House Bill No. 578), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to public revenues, State and local.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 463 (House Bill No. 578), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 464 (House Bill No. 579), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public schools.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 464 (House Bill No. 579), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 465 (House Bill No. 580), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the public printing and binding including the distribution of the public documents.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 465 (House Bill No. 580), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 466 (House Bill No. 581), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain acts and parts of acts of Assembly relating to the poor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 466 (House Bill No. 581), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 467 (House Bill No. 582), entitled

An Act to clarify the statute law of the Commonwealth by repealing certain penal laws or parts thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 467 (House Bill No. 582), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 632, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 500, entitled

An Act entitled "An Act permitting the release of insane persons committed to the institutions of the Commonwealth and regulating such release and the appointment of parole officers."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 502, entitled

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth to certify the proceedings upon which this commitment was made to the superintendents of the said institution.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 503, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April sixth, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-one," approved the sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-two.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 513, entitled

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants; creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the powers and duties of said office.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-one, entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County,' " approved the eighth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-two, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 534, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen of an act, entitled "An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County," approved the sixth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county, issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-three.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-three.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act, entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans court in the County of Allegheny and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-six.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County and regulating compensation," approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health by regulating the possession, control, receipt, administering, prescribing, dispensing, sale, delivering and giving away of certain drugs and keeping records thereof by regulating the administering, dispensing, prescribing and delivery of certain drugs to habitual users of said drugs and regulating the treatment and cure of said habitual users of said drugs by providing for the revocation of the licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists and registered nurses for drug addiction and for violating the provisions of this act and otherwise fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio in Allegheny County to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 545 (House Bill No. 177), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital, located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 549 (House Bill No. 249) ,entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 550 (House Bill No. 250), entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 556 (House Bill No. 583), entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five," as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement or reconstruction of certain State highways in certain cases upon the property abutting the line of improvement and providing for the collection of such assessments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover the deficiency to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farveiw, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State forests.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act empowering certain corporations, societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the Court of Common Pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 595, entitled

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings, partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 597, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to preserve the purity of the waters of the State for the protection of the public health," approved the twenty-second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and sixty) extending the provisions of said act to provide for compensation to the owners of property who may be injured by the operation of said act and prescribing the manner by which said compensation shall be determined.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 632, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads form all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor, to lie on the table one day, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
	Nason,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

RECESS.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed the Senate will be in order.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 255, entitled

An Act to fix the time for filing nomination papers for State and municipal officers, and for the determination by the courts of contested papers.

Also from the Committee on Elections, reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 256, entitled

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective officers of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions.

Also from the Committee on Elections, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 257 entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National Party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses, provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the 12th day of July, A. D. 1913, so as to change the time of filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying, selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

House Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

House Bill No. 349, entitled

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy State fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five Deputy State Fire Marshals, to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal, for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of process and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives, as follows:

House Bill No. 176 (Senate Bill No. 633), entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred nineteen), entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to national party conventions, and of certain party officers including state committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the state of the expenses of the same; authorizing the state committee of a political party to make and to alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided herein and repealing inconsistent legislation."

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

House Bill No. 225 (Senate Bill No. 634), entitled

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons, either in property or person, upon any property owner by the said county, city, borough or township or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 264 (Senate Bill No. 635), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred sixty-seven), entitled "An act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease and the compensation therefor."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 414 (Senate Bill No. 636), entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation and prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a public service commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested, the State or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing the terms, salaries and compensation of the members of the commssion, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its

orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas, and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions, mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission, and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act entitled "To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars; and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the proviso of clause seven of section thirty-four of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act;" providing for switch and other connection between the lines of street railway companies and railway lines owned, leased or operated by municipal corporations, when required by the Public Service Commission; providing for the establishment of through routes and joint rates over such connecting lines; and prescribing and defining the duties of the Public Service Commission relating to such connections, through routes and joint rates.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 488 (Senate Bill No. 637), entitled

An Act providing for leave to pay fines and costs in criminal proceedings by installments.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 799 (Senate Bill No. 638), entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the court of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 852 (Senate Bill No. 639), entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 640, entitled

An Act to amend sections three, four, five, six and eleven of an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities, and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Monday, March 26, 1917, at 9 o'clock P. M.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.23 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, March 26, 1917, at 9 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, March 21, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Our Father, breathe upon and give us a morning blessing. For keeping us through the night we thank Thee and praise Thy name.

As a new day has dawned upon us, may new divine light and peace be poured upon us. Make our pathway full of gladness. Be merciful to the Speaker and all the members of the House.

Show Thyself as the giver of every good and perfect boon and help us to be grateful.

We cannot go out into the new way of this day without Thy presence.

Give us Thy protection, Thy guidance and ever needed help; yea, give us hearts to live more cheerfully day by day.

Gather us all near Thy heart and overspread our respective homes with Thy wings.

We ask all in the Redeemer's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Albee, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 1037.

An Act to facilitate the collection of taxes assessed upon occupations; authorizing and requiring employers to furnish certain information to tax collectors and to deduct from the wages of employes, in certain cases, sums sufficient to pay delinquent taxes assessed on occupations owing by such employes; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BENCHOFF. House Bill No. 1046.

An Act requiring owners, drivers or operators to equip motor-vehicles with non-glare lenses or dimmers and to use the same when passing other vehicles on the public highways; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to approve lighting devices and equipments; providing penalties, and regulating the disposition thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. BENCHOFF. House Bill No. 1047.

An Act requiring owners of lands to cut down and dig out certain weeds growing on their lands; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BENCHOFF. House Bill No. 1048.

An Act regulating the driving or operating of motor-vehicles under certain conditions; providing a penalty and regulating the disposition thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 1049.

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Teachers' Institute of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOLLERN. House Bill No. 1050.

An Act to establish as a State Highway that certain public road leading from Chest Spring to Loretta in Cambria County.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 1051.

An Act to amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act designating the employes of the Insurance Department, and fixing their salaries."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 1052.

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Teachers' Annuity and Aid Association of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1053.

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled 'An Act providing for the payment of judgments and mortgages, and other claims, which are liens on property affected by public improvements or appropriated by the exercise of the right of eminent domain,' " excepting proceedings to ascertain damages and benefits by reason of municipal street or sewer improvements.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 1054.

An Act relating to eggs; prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell, eggs, for and as fresh, that are not fresh eggs; or of branding, or of labeling, or marking eggs, as being fresh eggs, that are not fresh eggs; prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 1055.

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of providing readers for certain blind students, who are residents of the Commonwealth, in attendance at Institutions of higher learning.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MILLIRON. House Bill No. 1056.

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Health to accept private and philanthropic donations to assist in the care and treatment of indigent tuberculous persons.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1057.

An Act granting certain powers to cities of the second class in relation to underground tunnels, tubes and subways, including their construction, maintenance and operation, and the leasing thereof or parts thereof, and providing for the ascertaining of the damages by reason of such construction, or by reason of the taking, using or appropriating of land necessary and incidental thereto, conferring the power of eminent domain in connection therewith, and providing for the approval of the contracts provided for herein by the Public Service Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 1058.

An Act authorizing the establishing of contagious disease hospitals in the several counties of the Commonwealth, to be constructed and maintained out of county funds.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. RAMSEY. House Bill No. 1059.

An Act designating certain days as legal public school holidays.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1060.

An Act empowering cities of the second class to purchase, lease, locate, construct, and equip, or otherwise acquire, transit facilities, and to own, maintain, use, and operate the same within their corporate limits, and within the limits of adjacent cities, boroughs, and townships; to exercise the right of eminent domain in connection therewith, and prescribing the manner of ascertaining the damages sustained in connection with such exercise; to sell, pledge, or lease transit facilities; to grant licenses for the use of the same; to enter into agreements for the construction and operation of the same; to connect the tracks of railways with the tracks of railroad or railway companies; and under certain conditions to use portions of the tracks of the latter; and empowering railroad, railway, and motor power companies to sell, purchase, and lease transit facilities to and from said cities, and to contract with said cities respecting the acquisition, construction, operation1, and use of transit facilities, subject to the provisions of "The Public Service Company Law" of July twenty-six, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and its supplements and amendments.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1061.

An Act creating additional subjects of taxation in cities of the second class by providing that all real estate in cities of the second class owned or possessed by any corporation shall be subject to taxation for city and school purposes the same as other real estate in said cities.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. GRAEFF. House Bill No. 1062.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Carbon and Schuylkill.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. GRAEFF. House Bill No. 1063.

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court, the judges of the Superior Court, the judges of the Courts of Common Pleas, and the judges of the Orphans' Courts.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 1064.

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads, connecting county seats, principal cities and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same, requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except were the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of townships, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain

acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1065.

A Further Supplement to an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes and to prescribe the townships of the first class to make regulations for the form of government for townships of each class," authorizing construction of new buildings and repair the old ones; requiring approval of plans; providing for inspection; prescribing limits within which certain kinds of material may not be used; providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. SIMPSON. House Bill No. 1066.

An Act making an appropriation to the Homestead Hospital, Homestead, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HOUGH. House Bill No. 1068.

An Act making an appropriation to the Woods Run Settlement Association, Petoskey Street, North Side, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PICKERING. House Bill No. 1069.

An Act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BURNETT. House Bill No. 1070.

An Act to amend section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities and towns, and extending to the State line, describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth, providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same, requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part, requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof, conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner, providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof, providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein, providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except were the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State, providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads, defining highways and State-aid highways, providing methods of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads, and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions, providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement, providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs, providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. BOYD. House Bill No. 1071.

An Act granting to the borough of Norristown a right of way over the lands of the State Hospital for the Insane of the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania, at Norristown, and providing for the payment of damages.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BOULTON. House Bill No. 1072.

An Act to authorize the construction of branches by railroad companies.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 1073.

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs" and repealing certain sections of said act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 1074.

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs;" and repealing certain acts relating to boroughs.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. GOODNOUGH. House Bill No. 1075.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section four of Article V, and Section five of Article V of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 1076.

An Act authorizing the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to convey to the estates of Susan E. Bayard and Mary Bayard certain lands in the Seventh Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, County of Allegheny.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. STERLING. House Bill No. 1077.

An Act regulating the auditing of the accounts and examining the securities of Building and Loan Associations; providing for filing of reports thereof; prescribing the duties of official examiners qualified by the Banking Department; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. DAWSON. House Bill No. 622.

An Act to protect the lives and health and secure the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of cities, boroughs and municipalities by compelling persons, firms, associations, corporation, owners and operators engaged in the business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of such municipalities to so conduct and carry on said business of mining anthracite coal within the limits of said municipalities as to provide and maintain such support for the surface overlying such mines, mining operations and workings and surface adjacent thereto and for the support of the superstructures, residences, public schools, hospitals, churches, public buildings, theatres, industrial establishments, water, gas and electric light plants and sewage systems, roads, streets and highways erected or constructed upon the said overlying and adjacent surface as will prevent the subsidence or cave-in of such overlying and adjacent surface or the endangering or destruction of human life or of said superstructures and improvements thereon erected or constructed; and making violations thereof a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment upon conviction or both within the discretion of the court. Providing also for inspection and examination of every mine or mining operation by the several mine inspectors of the anthracite mine inspection districts and making it the duty of each of said mine inspectors, in addition to the duties now required by law, to inspect and examine the mines within their respective districts carried on within the limits of every municipality to see that the mining operations so carried on are conducted in a manner to provide and maintain support for the said overlying surface and surface adjacent thereto and the superstructures and improvements thereon erected and constructed as will prevent subsidence or cave-in of said surface; and providing for a report of the kind and character of support provided and maintained in each of such mines and mine

workings to the Chief of the Department of Mines and of the failure to provide and maintain such support at points or places where such support is deemed necessary by him; and to report generally upon the conditions of the mines and mining operations and workings and the precautions taken in each mine and mining operation and working to secure the safety of said surface and the superstructures and improvements erected thereon and also empowering the said inspectors and each of them to institute proceedings in the name of the Commonwealth for any violations of this act which shall come to his knowledge through and by reason of such inspection. And providing also that precautions may be instituted in the name of the Commonwealth by any municipality or individual endangered, injured or threatened. And providing also that a subsidence of such surface or cave-in shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this act by the owner, operator or contractor of the underlying coal mine or mining operation carried on beneath such subsidence or cave-in; and providing also that a prosecution for violation of this act may be instituted at any time within two years next after the time when any subsidence or cave-in becomes visible upon the surface; and providing also that where mining operations are or threaten to be carried on in violation of the provisions of this act any municipality or person may institute proceedings to restrain such operations. And providing also that such remedy shall be in addition to and independent of other remedies provided in this act; and that the provisions of this act shall not affect any action or actions now brought or pending; and for the repeal of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Re-referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, buroughs, townships, school districts and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Mr. HESS, from the Committee on Education, re-reported as committed House Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 46, entitled

An Act requiring employers to permit all employes to have a leave of absence of two hours on election without any deduction in wages.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 900, entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act, entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act to further amend section thirteen of an act, approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 1001), entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," as amended.

Mr. LAULER, from the Committee on Military, reported as committed House Bill No. 419, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States from Pennsylvania in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one to sixty-five, fixing the rate of said pensions, the manner of obtaining same, and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as amended House Bill No. 866, entitled

An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof, defining the words "Drug" and "Poison," and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law, and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality, strength and purity.

Mr. ROBERTSON, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 677 (Senate Bill No. 75), entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight) entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 502 (Senate Bill No. 84), entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 503 (Senate Bill No. 85), entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie county, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 504 (Senate Bill No. 86), entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 505 (Senate Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 507 (Senate Bill No. 112), entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb a resident of Dauphin county Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Mr. WICKMAN, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as committed House Bill No. 500 (Senate Bill No. 69), entitled

A Supplement to the second section of an act entitled, "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled, 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine,' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per

centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distribution.

Mr. SWEITZER, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed House Bill No. 422 (Senate Bill No. 33), entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported with a negative recommendation House Bill No. 808, entitled

An Act repealing sections three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen and fourteen of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act amending sections one, two, eight, twenty-one, twenty-five, twenty-nine, thirty-five, thirty-six, sixty, sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-six, seventy and seventy-one of an act, entitled 'An Act providing for the examination, licensure and registration of persons, firms or corporations engaged or engaging in the business or work of plumbing or house drainage, and prescribing certain rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction of plumbing, house drainage, and cesspools, in cities of the second class, and imposing fines, penalties, and forfeitures for violation thereof,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the provisions of said act to cities of the third class, having a system of water supply and sewerage, of this Commonwealth; and providing further rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction or reconstruction of plumbing, house drainage, and cesspools; and providing penalties and forfeitures for violation thereof," in so far as they relate to cities of the third class.

Mr. McCAIG, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 398, entitled

An Act relating to the collection of county taxes in cities of the third class; providing for a notice of taxes due; and providing for rebates and penalties on such taxes in certain cases.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 156 (House Bill No. 1038)

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 180 (House Bill No. 1039)

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHugh of Weatherly, employed as a game warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 213 (House Bill No. 1040)

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 317 (House Bill No. 1041)

An Act validating certain election of boroughs, towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 318 (House Bill No. 1042)

An Act to amend sections one, three and five, article three of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 342 (House Bill No. 1043)

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats and providing a penalty," giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 344 (House Bill No. 1044)

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest, and for service of process, and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fines collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 347 (House Bill No. 1045)

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 21st day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory, building, rooms, or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1887, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 285 (House Bill No. 1067)

An Act for the printing, binding and distribution of the "Analytical Index of the Official Opinions of the Attorney General's Department," and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 242 (House Bill No. 1091)

An Act amending an act approved the ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, entitled "An Act to authorize foreign corporations to become corporations of Pennsylvania and to prescribe the mode of their so doing," by regulating the manner and place of acknowledging and recording the certificate therein provided for crediting such domesticated corporation with bonus previously paid by it to the Commonwealth and extending the provisions thereof to corporations incorporated under the several supplements to the act approved the twenty-ninth

day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 36 (House Bill No. 1092)

An Act regulating the deposit of moneys belonging to the several counties of the Commonwealth in the banking institutions thereof and providing for the collection of interest thereon.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Senate Bill No. 171 (House Bill No. 1093)

A Supplement to the act of April twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," providing for the election of a township solicitor in townships of the first class; fixing his term of office, prescribing his duties and qualifications and authorizing the board of township commissioners to fix his compensation.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

Senate Bill No. 247 (House Bill No. 1094)

An Act to fix the salary of the Commission Clerk in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 249 (House Bill No. 1095)

An Act amending section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act ceding jurisdiction over real estate in the County of Philadelphia to be acquired by the United States," approved April fifteenth, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three, increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from twenty thousand square feet to forty thousand square feet, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, by increasing the limitation as to area of land the jurisdiction of which is ceded from forty thousand square feet to eighty thousand square feet.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 286 (House Bill No. 1096)

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 326 (House Bill No. 1097)

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Printing.

Senate Bill No. 352 (House Bill No. 1098)

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 355 (House Bill No. 1099)

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compenastion Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 356 (House Bill No. 1100)

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 364 (House Bill No. 1101)

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers, reviewers and surveyors in the county of Allegheny," approved the thirtieth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 365 (House Bill No. 1102)

An Act to repeal section one of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny," approved the eighth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 366 (House Bill No. 1103)

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York, Mercer, Union, Huntingdon, Luzerne and Schuylkill," approved the fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, in so far as the same relates to the county of Allegheny.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 370 (House Bill No. 1104)

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act relating to unused streets, lanes and alleys," approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 371 (House Bill No. 1105)

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act for the reformation and employments of vagrants and other disorderly persons in the county of Allegheny," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 372 (House Bill No. 1106)

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny county to compromise with the holders of the bonds of the said county," approved the twenty-second day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 373 (House Bill No. 1107)

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny county, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock; in relation to a tax on dogs in the said county of Allegheny; incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company; relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River; authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown; relative to miners in Schuylkill County; legitimatizing James C. Collins; relative to the premium on fox scalps in the county of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 377 (House Bill No. 1108)

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act, entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, and giving the courts power to en-

force its provisions," approved the fourteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 468 (House Bill No. 1109)

An Act to enable two or more boroughs that are contiguous or in close proximity, to be united and to become one city, wherever each of said boroughs shall have heretofore voted or shall hereafter vote to become a city of the third class, under laws now enacted or which may hereafter be enacted and wherever each of said boroughs has duly received or shall hereafter duly receive letters patent constituting it a city of the third class, but where sufficient time shall not have elapsed after the granting of such letters patent for the holding of a municipal election; providing for the consequences of such consolidation the government of such consolidated city, the payment of the indebtedness of each of the united territories and the enforcement of debts and claims due to and from each; and fixing the jurisdiction over the said consolidated city in the courts of the county in which the majority of its inhabitants shall reside.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 487 (House Bill No. 1110)

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 492 (House Bill No. 1111)

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. PHILLIPS asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Bell, on account of sickness.

Mr. BECHTOLD asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Ulsh, on account of sickness.

Mr. SPEICHER asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Lohr, on account of sickness.

Mr. RUDISILL asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Barner of Cumberland County.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 142, entitled

An Act providing for the examination, licensure and registration of persons, copartnerships, associations or corporations engaging in the business or work of electrical construction and any maintenance, alterations or repairing in connection therewith in any buildings or structures in cities of the second and third classes of this Commonwealth and providing penalties.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That for the purposes of this act the definition of certain terms herein contained shall be as follows

The words "master electrician" shall mean a person co-partnership association or corporation having a regular place of business who by the employment of journeymen performs the work of installing wires conduits apparatus fixtures and other devices for carrying or using electricity for light heat or power purposes

The words "journeyman electrician" shall mean a person who personally does any work of installing wires conduits apparatus fixtures and other devices

The word "person" includes all individuals copartnerships associations and corporations

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RE-COMMITTED.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 142, File Folio 189, be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Corporations for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. WAGNER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 854, as follows:

An Act providing for the appointment of probation officers in certain counties fixing their powers duties and salaries

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in counties having a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants the Court of Quarter Sessions shall appoint a chief probation officer whose salary shall not exceed three thousand dollars per year and such additional probation officers as the majority of the judges may determine at salaries not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year whose compensation shall be fixed by the majority of the judges of said court and whose powers and duties shall be similar to those heretofore exercised by probation officers appointed by the court of quarter sessions of the peace of said county In addition to such compensation the probation officers shall receive such expenses as may be necessary and shall have been approved by the judge of the juvenile court Said compensation and expenses shall be paid monthly out of the treasury of the county in the manner in which other county expenses are paid by law

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

MR. FLYNN IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 924, entitled

An Act preventing tampering with, visiting or conversing with any juror summoned for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for the jury commissioners the sheriff the county commissioners to typewrite print write or furnish any list of the jurors drawn or to be summoned for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth except the written list to be copied in the sheriff's records for use in summoning said jurors which list shall be in the exclusive possession and control of the sheriff or his chief deputy

Section 2 No panel of jurors for service in the courts of this Commonwealth shall be drawn for a longer period than two weeks preceding the time of service

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 No sheriff or deputy sheriff who shall summon a juror or jurors for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth shall make known to any one other than the juror summoned the fact that such juror has been summoned for jury service nor shall any juror or jurors summoned make known the fact to any person other than his family or those by whom he is employed or his own employes or other person directly interested by reason of his absence on jury duty the fact that he has been summoned for service nor shall any member of his family his employer or employes or other person directly interested by reason of his absence on jury duty make known such fact unless the same shall be necessary to account and provide for the absence of such summoned juror or jurors from his or their occupation or business

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 3, line 4, by inserting after "business" the following:
Nor shall any person converse with or communicate with any person drawn as a juror about any matter or thing relating to or concerning his duties as a juror.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth and sixth sections and preamble were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 4 The list of jurors summoned to serve in any of the courts of this Commonwealth shall be printed by the clerk of the proper court from a list furnished him by the cheriff and the said list shall be in the custody and control of and handled and controlled by the said clerk solely and shall not be given out by him to any person except to counsel or suitors at and immediately before beginning the selection of a jury for the trial of a cause which said list so in the hands of counsel or suitors for the selection of a jury shall immediately upon the selection of the jury be returned to the clerk of said court and to no other person
Section 5 Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars and undergo an imprisonment at labor not exceeding one year or both or either
Section 6 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed
Whereas It is common knowledge that jurors drawn and summoned to serve in the various courts of this Commonwealth are repeatedly visited and approached either personally or indirectly through acquaintances or members of the families of such jurors and
Whereas The practice in a great many cases has led to a miscarriage of justice by the disagreement of jurors the increase or diminution of the verdict which should be rendered and the frequent acquittal of defendants clearly guilty under the evidence and
Whereas Such tampering with visitation and conversations direct and indirect with the jurors so drawn summoned and impaneled is due largely to the publication of the lists of those drawn and summoned or about to be summoned for service therefore

The title was read as follows:

An Act preventing tampering with, visiting or conversing with any juror summoned for service in any of the courts of this Commonwealth and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 1, by inserting before "preventing" the following: "Relating to jurors, the drawing thereof, publication and delivery of the names of persons drawn as jurors and."
Amend title, line 3, by inserting after "Commonwealth" "about any matter or thing relating to his duties as a juror."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker I move that House Bill No. 924. File Folio 1005, be recommitted to the Committee on **Judiciary Special.**
Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 735, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census"
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred two) entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census" which reads as follows
Section 1 Be it enacted et cetera That in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census the annual salaries of the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician shall be as follows
"Of the jury commissioners twelve hundred dollars each
"Of the county jailor five thousand dollars
"Of the jail physician twenty-four hundred dollars
"Such salaries to be paid monthly out of the county treasury" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows
Section 1 Be it enacted et cetera That in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census the annual salaries of the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician shall be as follows
Of the jury commissioners twenty-five hundred dollars each
Of the county jailor five thousand dollars
Of the jail physician twenty-four hundred dollars
Such salaries to be paid monthly out of the county treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 738, as follows:

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads improved and maintained by such counties the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads designating such persons county road caretakers and providing for badges evidencing their authority
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the several persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair public roads or highways improved and maintained as county roads within their respective counties shall be and they are hereby designated county road caretakers and the caretakers so appointed shall have all the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth to keep the peace in and along the county roads of such county and to enforce all laws regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon and to enforce all rules or regulations governing the use of such roads and to make arrests therefor
Section 2 No such caretaker shall be entitled to any portion of any fine or penalty imposed upon any person or persons for any violations of any act of Assembly or rule relating thereto but all such fines and penalties when the proceeding is initiated by such caretaker shall belong to and be paid into the county treasury for the benefit of the respective county
Section 3 The county commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to furnish each of said caretakers as an evidence of their authority a badge having impressed thereon the words "Police ———— County —— Road Caretaker"

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 449, entitled

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth

The first, second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is hereby made the duty of the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth and they are hereby authorized and empowered to keep the several county bridges within their respective counties in good condition and repair. All such work shall be done by contract or otherwise as shall seem to them expedient

Section 2 No contract shall be let for any such work until a proper resolution shall have been passed authorizing and directing the same All such contracts shall be let and entered into in the manner prescribed by law for the letting of county contracts

Section 3 The county commissioners shall have the authority when they deem it expedient so to do to cause such work to be done under the direction of the employes of such county having such work in charge and to that end to purchase such material and employ such labor as may be necessary

Section 4 The following acts or parts of acts to wit

Section four of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lewisville and Prospectville Turnpike Road Company in Montgomery County and relative to certain State roads in Allegheny and Washington Counties and in Luzerne Schuylkill and Columbia Counties and relating to the first United States Bank and Court of Quarter Sessions' approved April twenty-second one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to lateral railroads and county commissioners in Allegheny County to incorporate the New Castle and Enon Valley Plank Road Company in Lawrence County changing the word Beaver to that of Lawrence in a certain act approved the twenty-sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to the claim of Jacob Rheem and Daniel Beelman and to the estate of Mary Ann Taylor late of the City of Philadelphia deceased" approved the twelfth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and thirty-six)

Section six of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County'" approved the eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary" approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act requiring county commissioners to repair all county bridges and to pay the expense of such repairs out of the county treasury" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary' approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and twenty)

And all other acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 2, by inserting "the" before "several."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 482, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act creating a sinking fund commission in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants prescribing its powers and duties and repealing acts inconsistent herewith" approved the first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act creating a sinking fund commission in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants prescribing its powers and duties and repealing acts inconsistent herewith" approved the first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws one hundred) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 649, entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the Anthracite Coal Region and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the Chief of the Department of Mines is directed to have prepared and printed an edition of five thousand volumes of the report of the commission appointed pursuant to a joint resolution approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "A Joint Resolution for the appointment of a commission by the Governor of this Commonwealth for the purpose of investigating and reporting upon both physical conditions and legal rights in the matter of surface support where anthracite coal has been removed or the right to remove said coal is vested in others than the owner of the surface and for the further purpose of suggesting new legislation relative to the same and making an appropriation to meet the expenses of said commission" for the purpose of investigating and reporting upon both physical conditions and legal rights in the matter of surface support where coal has been removed or where the right to remove coal is vested in others than the owner of the surface and for the purpose of suggesting new legislation relative to the same and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 5, by striking out "for the," and strike out lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 and the following on line 11, "lation relative to the same."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second and third sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 The said publication is to contain a complete copy of said report including all photographs cuts and plates

Section 3 The necessary printing and binding shall be done by the State printer upon order of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding and upon requisition of the Chief of the Department of Mines

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the anthracite coal region and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 384, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May one thousand nine hundred seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over"

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-four) entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over" which reads as follows

"Section 1 That the salaries or compensation of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States census shall be as follows

"Clerks of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace at the rate of eight thousand dollars per annum deputy clerk thirty-five hundred dollars per annum three court clerks each three thousand dollars per annum three assistant court clerks each (sixteen hundred) dollars per annum one record clerk fifteen hundred dollars per annum one license clerk one fee clerk one road clerk each fourteen hundred dollars per annum one search clerk two subpoena clerks one assistant license clerk one assistant road clerk three assistant record clerks one custodian of records five miscellaneous clerks and one stenographer at the rate of twelve hundred dollars each per annum one assistant custodian of records and a messenger each at one thousand dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws" is further amended to read as follows

Section 1. That the salaries or compensation of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States Census shall be as follows

Clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace at the rate of eight thousand dollars per annum deputy clerk thirty-five hundred dollars per annum three court clerks each three thousand dollars per annum three assistant court clerks each two thousand dollars per annum one record clerk fifteen hundred dollars per annum one license clerk one fee clerk one road clerk each fourteen hundred dollars per annum one search clerk two subpoena clerks one assistant license clerk one assistant road clerk three assistant record clerks one custodian of records five miscellaneous clerks and one stenographer at the rate of twelve hundred dollars each per annum one assistant custodian of records and a messenger each at one thousand dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 9, by striking out "and" and inserting in lieu thereof "or."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 17, by striking out "clerks" and inserting in lieu thereof "clerk."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 4, by inserting "Anno Domini" after "May."

Amend title, page 1, line 4, by inserting "and" after "hundred."

Amend title, page 1, line 7, by striking out "the."

Amend title, page 1, line 12, by striking out "and" and inserting in lieu thereof "or."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 170, as follows:

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of section one of the act approved the fifteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and ninety-two) entitled "An act to provide revenue by taxation" which reads as follows

"Except however that any bank or savings institution incorporated as aforesaid in lieu of the method hereinbefore set out for ascertaining the actual value of the shares of capital stock thereof may elect to collect annually from the stockholders thereof a tax of ten mills on the dollar upon the par value of all shares of said bank that have been subscribed for or issued and pay the same into the State Treasury on or before the first day of March in each year

and the shares of such bank or savings institution and so much of the capital and profits of such bank or savings institution as shall not be invested in real estate shall be exempted from local taxation under the laws of this Commonwealth" be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 951, entitled

An Act amending section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners the county solicitor and the chief clerk to the county commissioners of each county to organize themselves into a state association for the purpose of holding annual meetings and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof" approved the tenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners the county solicitor and the chief clerk to the said commissioners of each county to organize themselves into a State association for the purpose of holding annual meetings and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof" approved the tenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 2 The actual expenses of the county commissioners county solicitor and chief clerk attending such meetings of said State Association including traveling expenses and hotel bills actually paid by them expenses of committees together with the necessary expenses of the convention including printing and the employment of stenographers shall be paid by the various counties by orders drawn on the county treasurer The time spent in attending said meetings shall not be more than four days exclusive of the time employed in traveling thereto and therefrom The expenses herein mentioned as the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than ten dollars to any county per annum" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows to wit

Section 2 The actual expenses of the county commissioners county solicitor and chief clerk attending such meetings of said State Association including traveling expenses and hotel bills actually paid by them expenses of committees together with the necessary expenses of the convention including printing and the employment of stenographers shall be paid by the various counties by orders drawn on the county treasurer The time spent in attending said meetings shall not be more than four days exclusive of the time employed in traveling thereto and therefrom The expenses herein mentioned as the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 5, by inserting "and" after "commissioners."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 13, by striking out "meetings" and inserting in lieu thereof "meeting."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read as follows:

An Act amending section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners, the county solicitor, and the chief clerk to the county commissioners, of each county, to organize themselves into a State Association, for the purpose of holding annual meetings, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof," approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 2, by inserting "and" after "commissioners."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 905, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor of valuation resides" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the qualified voters of every election district in boroughs and townships in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania wherein more than one election district is authorized and where but one assessor for valuation of taxable property resides in the borough or township having more than one election district shall on the third Tuesday of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two and annually thereafter elect a properly qualified person for assistant assessor in each of said election districts who shall perform all the duties relating to elections now required to be performed by assessors in boroughs and townships having but one election district

In case of a vacancy in said office the court of quarter sessions or any judge of the said court of the same county shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy

All acts and parts of act inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the qualified voters of every election district in boroughs and townships in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania wherein more than one election district is authorized and where but one assessor for valuation of taxable property resides in the borough or township having more than one election district shall at the next municipal election and every four years thereafter elect a properly qualified person for assistant assessor in each of said election districts who shall perform all the duties relating to elections now required to be performed by assessors in boroughs and townships having but one election district

In case of a vacancy in said office the court of quarter sessions or any judge of the said court of the same county shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 9, by striking out "of" and inserting in lieu thereof "for."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 20, by striking out "act" and inserting in lieu thereof "acts."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 72, as follows:

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand for collecting moneys upon liquor licenses either for the use of counties cities boroughs or townships shall retain a commission of five per centum upon the first five thousand dollars and one per centum upon all addition sums so collected

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 694, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four), entitled "An Act providing for the original location, laying and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of the Commonwealth and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein; making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads; authorizing the relocation, opening, straigtening, widening, extension and alteration of the same and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor and the payment of damages resulting from such taking and the manner in which such damages may be determined; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough and apportioning the cost of such improvement and authorizing the vacation of any county road," authorizing boroughs, towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways.

The first, second and third sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the proper authorities of any borough or township or any incorporated town of this Commonwealth be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth providing that the said county commissioners shall construct an improved highway or highways under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement and the expense or cost of said construction shall be borne jointly by the said borough township or incorporated town and the said county in such ratio or proportions as may be agreed on in said contract or contracts

Section 2 Payment for the construction of said highway or highways as provided for in section one of this supplement shall be made by the county which shall be reimbursed by the said borough township or incorporated towns in such sums as agreed upon in said contract or contracts upon presentation to them from time to time of estimates and bills for work already performed and paid for under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement

Section 3 The several boroughs townships or incorporated towns in this Commonwealth who shall enter into a contract or contracts with the county commissioners of their respective counties for the joint construction of improved highways under the provisions of this supplement are hereby authorized to incur such indebtedness and issue interest bearing bonds therefor as may be necessary to pay their proper share of said cost of construction as agreed in said contract or contracts subject however to the constitutional limitations of such indebtedness

The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 Any highway constructed jointly under the provisions of this supplement shall be repaired and maintained at the expense of the proper county but nothing shall prevent the proper authorities of a borough township or incorporated town from entering into a contract or contracts with the county commissioners of the proper county for the maintenance of said improved highway under such terms and conditions as may be mutually satisfactory

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. McPEAKE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 4, page 3, line 23, by striikng out "proper."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The fifth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four), entitled "An Act providing for the original location, laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of this Commonwealth, and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein; making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads; authorizing the relocation, opening, straightening, widening, extension and alteration of the same, and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor, and the payment of damages resulting from such taking, and the manner in which such damages may be determined; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough, and apportioning the cost of such improvement; and authorizing the vacation of any county road;" authorizing boroughs, towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. McPEAKE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 4, by inserting "out" after "laying."
Amend title, page 1, line 5, by striking out "the" following "of."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 734, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay-out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited"

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred ten) entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay-out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within the respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the board of township commissioners in townships of the first class shall have power to enact ordain survey lay-out widen straighten vacate and relay all roads streets lanes and alleys within the township upon the petition of any owner or owners of property through whose lands any such road street lane or alley shall pass or upon whose land the same shall abut if in the judgment of said board of commissioners the same shall be deemed proper and necessary for the public convenience or benefit and thereupon the said board shall give ten days' notice to the property owners affected thereby of the time and place when and where all parties interested may meet and be heard and witnesses may be summoned and examined by said board and said parties interested at said meeting or any adjournment thereof and after such hearing and consideration of the matter should the said board or a majority thereof decide in favor of granting the prayer of said petition they shall make written report together with a draft or survey of said road street lane or alley fixing the width thereof and noting the improvements along the line thereof together with the names of the owners of property through which the same shall pass or whereon it shall abut which report and draft shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county wherein said township is situate Provided however That any citizen or freeholder of said township may within thirty days after the filing of said report upon entering in said court sufficient surety to indemnify the said board for all costs incurred in the proceedings file in said court exceptions to the said report together with a petition for review in conformity with the now existing road laws of this Commonwealth" be amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the board of township commissioners in townships of the first class shall have power to enact ordain survey lay-out widen straighten vacate and relay all roads streets lanes and alleys and parts thereof within the township upon the petition of a majority in interest of the owners of property or properties through whose lands any such road street lane or alley shall pass or upon whose land the same shall abut if in the judgment of said board of commissioners the same shall be deemed proper and necessary for the public convenience or benefit and thereupon the said board shall give ten days' notice to the property owners affected thereby of the time and place when and where all parties interested may meet and be heard and witnesses may be summoned and examined by said board and said parties interested at said meeting or any adjournment thereof and after such hearing and consideration of the matter should the said board or a majority thereof decide in favor of granting the prayer of said petition they shall make written report together with a draft or survey of said road street lane or alley fixing the width thereof and noting the improvements along the line thereof together with the names of the owners of property through which the same shall pass or whereon it shall abut which report and draft shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county wherein said township is situate Provided however That any citizen or freeholder of said township may within thirty days after the filing of said report upon entering in said court sufficient surety to indemnify the said board for all costs incurred in the proceedings file in said court exceptions to the said report together with a petition for review in conformity with the now existing road laws of this Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I desire to make the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 8, by striking out "the" following "within" and inserting in lieu thereof "their."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading. "

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 855, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses theerof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise" is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 856, as follows:

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State asylum for the chornic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor" as amended fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws three hundred seventy-nine) entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State asylum for the chornic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor" as amended by an act approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred six) entitled "An Act amending the fifteenth section of an act approved the twenty-second day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one entitled 'An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor' as amended by the first section of an act approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act amending section fifteen of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the selection of a site

and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State Asylum for the Chronic Insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor" approved the twenty-second day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one so as to fix the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita' by increasing to three dollars and fifty cents the maximum amount per capita for weekly maintenance one dollar and fifty cents thereof to be paid by the county or poor district from which the patient shall have been received" which reads as follows

"Section 15 That the cost of the care and detention of the said chronic insane in said asylum shall not exceed the sum of three dollars and fifty cents per week for each patient including clothing one dollar and fifty cents thereof to be charged upon and paid by the several counties and poor districts from which the said insane are received but the State shall not be required to pay more than the remainder of the actual cost of maintenance in said institution after said payment by said counties and should any surplus remain annually after the cost of maintaining said patients as aforesaid has been ascertained the same shall be returned to the Commonwealth" be further amended to read as follows

Section 15 That the cost of the care and detention of the said chronic insane in said asylum shall not exceed the sum of four dollars per week for each patient including clothing two dollars thereof to be charged upon and paid by the several counties and poor districts from which the said insane are received but the State shall not be required to pay more than the remainder of the actual cost of maintenance in said institution after said payment by said counties and should any surplus remain annually after the cost of maintaining said patients as aforesaid has been ascertained the same shall be returned to the Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with.

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 787 (Senate Bill No. 190), entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 788 (Senate Bill No. 191), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes" approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal tar and asphalt

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 499 (Senate Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 424 (Senate Bill No. 9), entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 510 (Senate Bill No. 126), entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 423 (Senate Bill No. 96), entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class, regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 785 (Senate Bill No. 188), entitled

An Act authorizing executors, administrators, guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 786 (Senate Bill No. 189), entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up at this time House Bill No. 337 (Senate Bill No. 34), on page 11 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 337 (Senate Bill No. 34), entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Amend Section 1, line 11, by inserting after the word "any" the following: "Individual or with any."

Amend Section 1, line 13, by striking out "current or."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instruction of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 414, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act defining public service companies and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities by prescribing defining and limiting their powers and regulating their incorporation and to a limited extent regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies creating and establishing a public service commission for the regulation aforesaid prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers including the exclusive power to regulate the construction altering relocation or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations street railway corporations or other public service companies and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies providing for the ascertainment by the commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction alteration relocation or abolition and for the payment of such expense and damages severally or proportionately by the public service companies interested the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken injured or destroyed authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing the terms, salaries and compensation of the members of the commission its officers counsel and employes prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases and of all injunctions mandamus or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission and to restrain such orders subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court prescribing penalties fines and imprisonment for violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission making it the duty of the public service commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains' by amending section nine thereof repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three entitled 'An Act to enforce provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals' and an act entitled "To provide the maximum car service charges including car storage charges that railroad companies and corporations or associations may charge and collect on each car loading and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars' approved the twenty-fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act" providing for switch and other connections between the lines of street railway companies and railway lines owned leased or operated by municipal corporations when required by the public service commission providing for the establishment of through routes and joint rates over such connecting lines and prescribing and defining the duties of the public service commission relating to such connections through routes and joint rates

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the sponsor of this bill as to what is its intent.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, this bill is designed to correct some errors of the Public Service Act intended particularly to facilitate rapid transit in Philadelphia.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171,

Albee,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Benchoff,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Bennett,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Beyer,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Boulton, H.,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gormley,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Gransback,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Campbell, J. O.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Sterling,
Campbell, T.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stern,
Canon,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Christman,	Hess,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Clements,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Hoffman,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rich,	Walker,
Cummins,	Jones,	Richards,	Wallace,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dale,	Lafferty,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Robertson,	West,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wood,
Donneley,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Drake,	McCullough,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,			Speaker.

NAYS—1.

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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. SIMPSON asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 225 on page 11 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 225, entitled

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county city borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons either in property or person upon any property owner by the said county city borough or township or road street or highway within the said county city borough or township and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—168.

Albee,	Fowler,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Gans,	McPeake,	Showalter,
Baker,	Geary,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Black,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Sones,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Burnett,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Musser,	Stern,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Neary,	Stites,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Cook,	Horton,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Crosby,	Jack,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lafferty,	Reitzel,	Wells,
Dean,	Lauler,	Reynolds,	West,
Dell,	Leary,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Richards,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Ringler,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Malie,	Rininger,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Mangan,	Robertson,	Wood,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Ross,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Zanders.
Flynn,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Speaker.

NAYS—8.

Benninger,	Chestnut,	Snyder,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Horne,	Stites,	Wallace,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 488, entitled

An Act providing for leave to pay fines and costs in criminal proceedings by installments.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—188.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baker,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Black,	Graham,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Helt,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Neary,	Sterling,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stern,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Horne,	Perry,	Strauss,
Clements,	Horton,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Howarth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cox,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wagner,
Curry,	Lauler,	Richards,	Wallace,
Dale,	Leary,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dean,	Malie,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Mangan,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drake,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.	Wynne,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fackler,			Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 176, as follows:

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and nineteen) entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certian offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and nineteen) entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation" which reads as follows

"Section 3 One primary shall be held each year in every election district of this Commonwealth in which nominations are to be made or delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen or party officers including members of the National committee are to be elected as herein provided The said primaries shall be held on the third Tuesday of September in all odd-numbered years and on the third Tuesday of May in all even-numbered years the primary held on the third Tuesday of September shall be known as the Fall primary and the primary held on the third Tuesday of May shall be known as the Spring primary.

"Candidates for all offices to be filled at the general election shall be nominated at the Spring primary Delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen and such party officers including members of the National committee as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by a vote of the party electors shall be elected at the Spring primary except as otherwise provided in this act

"The vote for candidates for the office of President of the United States as herein provided for shall be cast at the Spring primary

"Candidates for all offices to be filled at the municipal election shall be nominated at the Fall primary" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 One primary shall be held each year in every election district of this Commonwealth in which nominations are to be made or delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen or party officers including members of the National committee are to be elected as herein provided The said primaries shall be held on the third Wednesday of September in all odd-num-

bered years and on the third Tuesday of May in all even-numbered years The primary held on the third Wednesday of September shall be known as the Fall primary and the primary held on the third Tuesday of May shall be known as the Spring primary

Candidates for all offices to be held at the general election shall be nominated at the Spring primary Delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions State committeemen and such party officers including members of the National committee as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by a vote of the party electors shall be elected at the Spring primary except as otherwise provided in this act

The vote for candidates for the office of President of the United States as herein provided for shall be cast at the Spring primary

Candidates for all offices to be filled at the municipal election shall be nominated at the Fall primary

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—187.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Flynn,	McKay,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Gans,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Bennett,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Black,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Bovee,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Musser,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Clements,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Stoffiet,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Conner,	Horne,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Horton,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Hough,	Pickering,	Urich,
Cox,	Howarth,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Curry,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lafferty,	Rhodes, W. M.,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Leary,	Richards,	Wickman,
Dean,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Robertson,	Wood,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Eby,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Speaker.
Fackler,			

NAYS—2.

Rothenberger, Showalter,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER VOTE.

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I move to reconsider the final passage vote on House Bill No. 225, entitled

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons either in property or person upon any property owned by the said county, city, borough or township or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

on page 11 of to-day's calendar, from the fact that a number of members have voted under a misapprehension.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The SPEAKER. This bill has passed the House finally, has gone to the Senate and can only be recalled by a concurrent resolution, under the rules.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 852, entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset, and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania .

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—189.

Albee,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Gans,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Aston,	Geary,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Baker,	Glass,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Somerman,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Helt,	Musser,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Hess,	Neary,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stites,
Canon,	Hollern,	Perry,	Stoffiet,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Christman,	Horton,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hough,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Cook,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Walker,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Richards,	Wallace,
Curry,	Leary,	Ringler,	Walter,
Dale,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dawson,	Malie,	Robertson,	West,
Dell,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Fackler,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Scott,	Wynne,
Flynn,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Fowler,	McPeake,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 799, as follows:

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the court of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas oyer and terminer and general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred

thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants shall receive such salary as shall be fixed by the respective courts not exceeding the sum of sixteen hundred dollars nor less than one thousand dollars per annum The said salary to be paid out of the county treasury monthly

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts general local or special inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

Section 3 This act shall not be construed to repeal or limit any of the provisions of the act entitled "An Act fixing the salary or compensation of the crier of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace oyer and terminer and general jail delivery in several counties of this Commonwealth having more than one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants" approved June ninth one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred twenty-one)

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—174.

Albee,	Eby,	McCurdy,	Shunk,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fackler,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Black,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stites,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Christman,	Hollern,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Conner,	Horton,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cook,	Hough,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cox,	Howarth,	Rich,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Richards,	Wells,
Cummins,	Jack,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Jones,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, D. F.,	Lafferty,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dean,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Donneley,	Malie,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Drake,	Marvin,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and sixty-seven), entitled "An Act relating to domestic animals and their destruction to prevent spread of disease and the compensation therefor."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—145.

Aron,	Fretz,	McCaig,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Gans,	McCullough,	Shunk,
Aston,	Glass,	McCurdy,	Siggins,
Baker,	Golder,	McKay,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Goodnough,	McKinney,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	McNichol,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	McPeake,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Graham,	McVicar,	Sones,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Mehring,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haight,	Mervine,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Michel,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Hecht,	Miller, A. D.,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Miller, Allan,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Miller, C. G.,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hess,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stites,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Clements,	Horne,	Perry,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Pickering,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Dawson,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	West,
Dithrich,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wickman,
Drake,	Laucks,	Richards,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wood,
Dunn,	Leary,	Rinn,	Woodward,
Eby,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wynne,
Fackler,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Speaker.
Franklin,	McArdle,	Shaffer C. A.,	

NAYS—9.

Albee,	Dean,	Mitchell,	Sinclair,
Chestnut,	Milliron,	Ringler,	Sweitzer,
Corbin,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 843, entitled

An Act authorizing Edward Fay and Son, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Albee,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Aston,	Franklin,	Meurkle,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Milner,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Morgan, T. J.,	Somerman,
Black,	Haight,	Murphy,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Hess,	Palmer,	Steedle,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Strauss,
Clements,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Taylor,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rich,	Wagner,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Lafferty,	Ringler,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Woodward,

Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKinney,		Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 770 as follows:

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners' inquests and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That each person attending a coroners inquest in answer to a subpoena shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar for each day of attendance and mileage at the rate of three cents for every mile circular actually travelled in attending such inquest

Section 2 The coroner shall certify with his report the name of each witness the time such witness attended any inquest and the amount of fees and mileage such witness is entitled to receive On confirmation of the report by the court of quarter sessions the county commissioners shall draw warrants upon the county treasury for the payment of such fees and mileage

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—157.

Albee,	Geary,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Aron,	Glass,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. L.,
Aston,	Goodnough,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baker,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Baldi,	Gormley,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldridge,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Gransback,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bennett,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Hess,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Stites,
Boyd,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Conner,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rich,	Wagner,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Lafferty,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dewey,	Lauler,	Rogers,	West,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Drinkhouse,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	Malie,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wobensmith,
Ehrhardt,	Mangan,	Scott,	Wood,
Erdman,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Woodward,
Fackler,	Maurer,	Shattuck,	Wylie,
Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Showalter,	Wynne,
Flynn,	McCullough,	Shunk,	Zanders,
Franklin,	McCurdy,	Siggins,	Baldwin,
Fretz,	McKay,	Simpson,	Speaker.
Gans,	McKinney,		

NAYS—9.

Black,	Drake,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,
Campbell, J. O.,	Eby,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 780 (Senate Bill No. 106), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to validate all sales, public and private, and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors of administrators," approved the tenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCurdy,	Scott,
Aron,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Gans,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, F. L.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Black,	Graham,	Milner,	Snyder,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Helt,	Musser,	Steedle,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Neary,	Sterling,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Clements,	Horne,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Conner,	Hough,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rich,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Richards,	Wells,
Dean,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Malie,	Rogers,	Wood,
Drake,	Mangan,	Ross,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wynne,
Eby,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 508 (Senate Bill No. 114), entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property, under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three; defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—191.

Albee,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Showalter,
Aron,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Aston,	Geary,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baker,	Glass,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allen,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Milner,	Somerman,
Black,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Hess,	Musser,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stites,
Canon,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Strauss,
Christman,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Clements,	Horton,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Powell,	Taylor,
Conner,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Cox,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wagner,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Walter,
Dean,	Leary,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Dell,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	West,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McKay,	Scott,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Flynn,			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate,' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children, and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders," approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four); extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life, and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and its amendments of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

BILL POSTPONED.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, Senator Schantz, who introduced this bill, desires to have some amendments made to it and has asked me to have it postponed for the present. I therefore move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 496 (Senate Bill No. 16), entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one) entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipeline, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power and air or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance, or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing penalties for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," in relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—184.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milner,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Black,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Helt,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Hess,	Ogden,	Steedle,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Taylor,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Cook,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jones,	Rich,	Urich,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Vickerman,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wagner,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Weimer,
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wells,
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drake,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Erdman,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 328 (Senate Bill No. 8), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one milion population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—187.

Albee,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, F. L.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Helt,	Neary,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stern,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Sweifzer,
Clements,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Cox,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wagner,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dean,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dell,	Leary,	Robertson,	West,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wood,
Eby,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Scott,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered. That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER VOTE.

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 225, File Folio 875, entitled

An Act requiring that the proper officers of every county, city borough or township of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be notified of any injury sustained by any person or persons either in property or person upon any property owned by the said county, city, borough or township or road, street or highway within the said county, city, borough or township and providing that no recovery may be had on any action for damages arising therefrom in the event of failure to give such notification.

passed finally this morning be reconsidered.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, the point of order is, that the bill has already passed the House and been referred to the Senate for concurrence and is no longer the property of the House.

The SPEAKER. The Chair would ask the Clerk if the bill is in the possession of the House.

The Clerk advised the Speaker that the bill is not in possession of the House and therefore the motion of the gentleman from York is not in order. The point of order is well taken.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I would respectfully appeal from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the appeal.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I find in the decisions of the House on page 1079 of Smull's Legislative Hand Book a decision of the Speaker which I believe is fairly on this point: The motion being made by the gentleman who voted affirmatively and seconded by one who voted the same way. According to this decision, "Mr. Skinner submitted the point of order that House Bill No. 297 having passed the House finally, and being now in possession of the Senate, no further action can be taken upon the pending motion to reconsider until the bill itself has been returned from the Senate to the House. The Speaker Pro Tempore (Mr. Burdick) decided the point of order not well taken, that a motion to reconsider if made on the day the bill passes, or within the proper time, though the bill had gone to the Senate, is in order."

I think that rules the question fairly and squarely and rules this point of order.

The SPEAKER. The rules of the House have been amended since that decision has been made.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, not on that point, on investigation of the present rules.

The SPEAKER. The Chair would differ from the gentleman.

Does the gentleman appeal from the decision of the Chair?

Mr. WALLACE. I do, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, in further support of the motion, in the rules of 1915, which are still in force in this House, in Rule 23 we have the following:

"A motion for reconsideration shall be permitted, when made and seconded by members who were in the majority on the original question, and within five days in which the House is in session after the decision, excepting when a bill or resolution shall have been recalled from the Governor, in which case a motion to reconsider shall be entertained though more than five days shall have elapsed. When a motion to reconsider is lost, it shall not be again renewed on the same question."

The SPEAKER. I think if the gentleman from Lawrence examines that rule he will find it only refers to a defeated bill and a defeated bill, of course, is still in the possession of the House.

I would like to ask the gentleman if he can inform the House what the rules of the House were in 1865, when the decision which he has quoted was rendered.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, as far as I have been able to learn they are the same on this particular point as the present rule.

The SPEAKER. I would like to know whether the gentleman is satisfied that that is the rule at this time.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I am satisfied in my own mind.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the appeal from the decision of the Speaker Pro Tem on the point of order raised by the gentleman from Pittsburgh, Mr. Simpson, the bill having passed out of the possession of the House, whether the House has the power to consider a bill or a matter that is not before the House and not in possession of the House; whether you will sustain the decision of the Speaker Pro Tempore.

On the question,

Will the House sustain the decision of the Speaker Pro Tempore?

The question was decided in the affirmative and the decision sustained.

MR. FLYNN IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 336 (Senate Bill No. 49), entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, this bill provides that the County Commissioners are to furnish an office for a judge, be it in the court house or in some other place. Now, "furnishing" is a relative term. It may mean equipping it with a library for the judge, a typewriter, and all of the paraphernalia that goes with an office. In some of the smaller interior counties we feel that there is no necessity for a bill of this character, yet I do not wish to oppose it without having had some communication or conference with the sponsor, and in order that I may have a chance to talk it over with him I wish to ask that this bill be postponed for the present.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman wish to make a motion that the vote by which the bill passed third reading be reconsidered?

MOTION TO RECONSIDER VOTE.

Mr. SHOWALTER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 336 (Senate Bill No. 49), passed third reading be reconsidered.

Mr. BIDELSPACHER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—132.

Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Scott,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Fowler,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Bennett,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Stern,
Brady,	Gransback,	Milner,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Strauss,
Clements,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Helt,	Ogden,	Thomas,
Conner,	Hess,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Hollern,	Powell,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Wells,
Cummins,	Hough,	Reitzel,	West,
Curry,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Wickman,
Dale,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rich,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wood,
Dunn,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wynne,
Erdman,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Zanders,
Fackler,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—16.

Albee,	Eby,	Maurer,	Rudisill,
Chestnut,	Jack,	McCurdy,	Sampsel,
Dell,	Lanius,	Murphy,	Showalter,
Drake,	Lewis,	Musser,	Sweitzer,

The majority required by the Constituion having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 612, entitled

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 877, entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes by topics of the existing general laws of this Commonwealth for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly; fixing the compensation of the assistant director and making an appropriation therefor," fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 43, entitled

An Act to provide badges for the officers and enlisted men who served in the army and navy of the United States during the Spanish war and Philippine insurrection and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hunderd and thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary,' approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three," so that said bridges may be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without advertising for bids if done under the supervision of the county commissioners.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 879, entitled

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to townships, supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 820, entitled

An Act requiring the erection of detour signs by the authorities by whose direction any public highway may be closed and providing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to divorce."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. ROSS asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 274 on the third reading postponed Calendar, page 10.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 274, entitled

An Act requiring State, county and local fair associations to provide on the grounds used for fair or exhibition purposes a sufficient number of public comfort stations or toilets; requiring the same to be kept in a sanitary condition and providing penalties for violation of this act.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 274, File Folio 663, be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for amendment.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 104

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

With information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend section one, line fourteen, by inserting after the word "conditions" the following: "and further pledges the faith of the Commonwealth to make adequate provisions to meet the Federal apportionment and properly to maintain the roads so constructed."

On the question,
Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Mr. LEWIS. Mr. Speaker, the amendments are satisfactory.

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—180.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Aron,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Graham,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haight,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hess,	Patterson,	Stites,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Canon,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Taylor,
Clements,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Marvin,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Lafferty,	Ringler,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Walker,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Wallace,
Dale,	Leary,	Robertson,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ross,	West,
Dewey,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Scott,	Woodward,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McKay,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Fackler,			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced returned bills from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 349

An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Asembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five deputy state fire marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees, the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

House Bill No. 52

An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act

House Bill No. 111

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

House Bill No. 134

An Act authorizing George C. Souder, of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

House Bill No. 141

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

House Bill No. 270

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended, providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported the following bills have passed both houses of the General Assembly, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 87

An Act authorizing William H. Heard, of Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

House Bill No. 349

An Act transferring parts of the funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal, for the payment of the salary of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy state fire marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five deputy state fire marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants, for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto, for the services of clerks, for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property, for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson, for the payment of costs and witness fees the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying out the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal.

House Bill No. 85

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying, selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Whereupon,

The Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 95.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 20, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 95, entitled

"An Act to amend an act entitled 'A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York,' approved the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and three), to enlarge the powers and duties of the directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York; to authorize the said directors to purchase lands and erect buildings thereon for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York, and to sell the site and buildings of the present almshouse; to authorize the county commissioners of the County of York to procure a loan to purchase said lands, erect said buildings, furnish the same and prepare said plans and specifications, and to use certain funds now on deposit and belonging to the poor directors, and such sums as may be realized from the sale of the present almshouse and to levy and collect the taxes necessary to redeem said loan and authorizing the court to appoint viewers to examine the work done and report upon the completion of the contract and fixing the pay of said viewers,' "

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 447.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 447, File Folio 895, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act approved the eighteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled 'An Act for the better regulation of public pool rooms, billiard rooms, bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,' " and to regulate the time for closing the same.

was defeated on final passage on Wednesday, March 14, 1917, be reconsidered.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 12.55 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, March 22, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.
The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

O God our Heavenly Father,—We cannot go into this day without Thy blessing. Keep us from being so absorbed in our own plans that we do not accept Thy plan and do Thy will.

We pray Thee to give us grace to live to-day as we should and avoid temptations that loom up everywhere.

Help us to be honest, to be thoughtful, to be kind to all we meet and a strength to many.

Wilt Thou bless all of our work to-day, for without Thy benediction there can be no true prosperity. As earth's flowers need heaven's sun and rain, so our lives need heaven's grace and love to make them what they should be.

Breathe on us now whilst we pray and give us the Holy Spirit as we go forth.

We ask all these favors with the forgiveness of our sins in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Bovee, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. McKAY. House Bill No. 1078.

A Supplement to an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to restrain and regulate the sale of vinous and spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 1079.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BIDELSPACHER. House Bill No. 1080.

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act extending the powers and duties of foresters, forest rangers, game protectors, deputy game protectors, special deputy game protectors, fish wardens and deputy fish wardens of this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. DRAKE. House Bill No. 1081.

An Act to amend section one, clause (b) of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation of fire and marine insurance companies; and for the regulation of home and foreign fire and marine insurance companies.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 1082.

An Act providing and regulating the teaching of physical training in public schools of school districts of the first, second and third class, and State Normal Schools; creating a Department of Physical Training in the Department of Public Instruction, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. House Bill No. 1083.

An Act making an appropriation for vocational schools and departments for the training of vocational teachers and for the Bureau of Vocational Education.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1084.

An Act authorizing J. A. Croup, of Concord Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Butler County.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. House Bill No. 1085.

An Act authorizing the county controllers in counties containing population of less than two hundred and sixty thousand to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his term of office and salary to be paid by the county.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. House Bill No. 1086.

An Act to regulate and establish certain fees to be charged by constables in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 1087.

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all Houses of Detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia; providing that the Board of Managers of the said Houses of Detention shall be appointed and removed by the Judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MURDOCH. House Bill No. 1088.

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of April, one thousand nine hundred five, entitled "An Act amending section two of an act, entitled 'A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act, entitled "A further supplement to an act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth,' approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five; providing for the extension of the provisions of this act to townships of the first class;" by providing for the extension of the provisions of this act to towns and townships of the second class.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HALDEMAN. House Bill No. 1089.

An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint a commission to enter into negotiations for and to purchase the property of the late Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker, in Montgomery County, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REYNOLDS. House Bill No. 1090.

An Act supplementing and amending section ten (10) of an act, entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia, prescribing its jurisdiction and powers, providing for the service of its writs, process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therin, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof," approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by adding the words "and injuries to property" following the words "personal injuries," so that the exception in the said section shall read: "Except that in actions for damages for personal injuries and injuries to property it shall have jurisdiction where the sum demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00)."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1112.

An Act to further amend section two of an act approved the seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act regulating and defining the powers and duties of the Dental Council and the State Board of Dental Examiners; providing for appointment of examiners; defining qualifications of applicants for examination; condition of granting licenses; regulating and limiting the practice of dentistry; prohibiting practice by, or employment of, unlicensed persons, and providing punishment therefor; and disposition of fees and fines, and fixing the appropriation to the Dental Council," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1113.

An Act permitting county controllers in certain counties to intervene in suits by or against the county.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. ERDMAN. House Bill No. 1114.

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Lehigh and Berks.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SPROWLS. House Bill No. 1115.

An Act to amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith.'"

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SWEITZER. House Bill No. 1116.

An Act relating to the destruction of noxious weeds; conferring certain powers and duties upon the Secretary of Agriculture, and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1117.

An Act providing that appointive officers and employes employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or by any county or municipality thereof in its civil service, who have a wife, children or parent dependent upon them for support, shall not be deemed or held to have resigned or abandoned their offices or employments by reason of enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in time of war or contemplated war; prohibiting the removal from their offices or employment of such officers and employes during the period of their service in the army or navy; directing that one half of the salaries or wages of such officers or employes not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, be paid during the term of their service in the army or navy to such dependents thereof; authorizing the employment, during said term, of substitutes to perform the duties theretofore performed by such officers employes, respectively, and providing for the compensation of such substitutes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 1118.

An Act for the better protection of fish; requiring citizens of the United States residing within and without this Commonwealth to procure a license to fish or angle in the waters of this Commonwealth or in the waters bounding or adjacent thereto, and regulating the issuance of such license; providing penalties for the violation of this act, and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the penalties recovered and license fees received.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. PERRY, from the Committee on Law and Order, reported as committed House Bill No. 62, entitled

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting of licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1028, entitled

An Act authorizing James L. Baker and Mary A. Baker, his wife, of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Mr. STERLING, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 947, entitled

An Act to further protect the rights and liberties of the people of this Commonwealth when under arrest in cities of the first class upon a bailable criminal charge; making its infraction a misdemeanor and providing penalties.

Mr. WHITAKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 775, entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with article five, section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

Mr. BALDRIDGE, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 889, entitled

An Act providing for the payment by State Hospitals for the insane of the traveling expenses from said hospitals to their homes, respectively, of indigent inmates of said hospitals discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities, and for the reimbursement to such hospitals of the amounts so paid.

Mr. BALDRIDGE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 995, entitled

An Act to prohibit the killing of foxes by certain methods in York County, and fixing a penalty for violation of the act.

Mr. BALDRIDGE, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 659, entitled

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices; imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General; prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; providing for the confiscation of certain machines; and making an appropriation.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1033, entitled

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents, to partitions in the Common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators, to pleadings in certain actions of debt, to action of ejectments, to the protection of fences, to partnerships, to limitations of writs of entry in manors, lands, and tenements, to the exemption laws, to reports of the Supreme Court, to appeals relating to wards, boroughs, and township officers, to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates," by regulating the number of appraisers.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia."

Mr. DEWEY, from the Committee on Forestry, reported as committed House Bill No. 954, entitled

An Act regulating hunting, trapping and fishing on unseated and auxiliary forest reserve lands; providing for the propagation of game and fish on such lands; and providing penalties for violations.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as amended House Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act authorizing a State Association of Township Supervisors, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof by the respective counties.

Mr. McKINNEY, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 221, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," by including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines.

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1111 (Senate Bill No. 492), entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk, Pennsylvania.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1038 (Senate Bill No. 156), entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 783 (Senate Bill No. 147), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the term of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the term of inspectors now in office

Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 957 (Senate Bill No. 148), entitled

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws; authorizing the appointment of the commissioners; defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1110 (Senate Bill No. 487), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payment herein provided for.

Mr. BRADY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 958 (Senate Bill No. 196), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 934 (Senate Bill No. 205), entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbier, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Mr. ERDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 938 (Senate Bill No. 219), entitled

An Act to authorize counties, cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection, alterations, addition and repair of public buildings.

Mr. DELL, from the Committee on Forestry, reported as committed House Bill No. 936 (Senate Bill No. 212), entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Mr. LAUCKS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1099 (Senate Bill No. 355), entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. LANIUS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Christman.

Mr. MARVIN asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. George W. Williams.

RESOLUTION AMENDING RULE NO. 39.

Mr. FITZGIBBON offered the following resolution and asked and received unanimous consent for its immediate consideration, the resolution being twice read as follows:

Resolved, That House Rule number thirty-nine be amended to read as follows:

39. None but members of the Senate, their officers, the Governor and heads of State Department, judges of the courts of this Commonwealth, the members of their families and families of the members of the present House and Senate, former members of the Legislature, when introduced by a member of the present House, and others who may be specially introduced by a member, by permission of the Speaker, shall be permitted to come upon the floor of the House during its session; and no person, not a member of the Legislature, shall be permitted to come upon the floor of the House, or sit in any seats appropriated for the members, or interrupt a member by speaking to him in his seat, while the House is in session; and it shall be the duty of the sergeant-at-arms or doorkeeper to give notice to any person offending against this rule.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from McKean County explain wherein it changes the present rule?

Mr. FITZGIBBON. Mr. Speaker, the only change is to amend Rule 39 giving the families of the members of the present House and Senate the privilege of the floor.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of information.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of information.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask for a point of information. It says here, "and others who may be specially introduced by a member, by permission of the Speaker." Will that give the right to any member to ask permission from the Chair to bring any brother in here?

The SPEAKER. Under the amendment suggested or presented to the House by the gentleman from McKean, the members of the family of any member of this House shall have the privilege of the floor. The rule is only changed to the extent of permitting the members of the families of the members of the Senate and the House.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I am asking whether the rule now will not permit me as a member of this House to obtain permission from the Chair to bring any friend in here.

The SPEAKER. The rule speaks very plainly for itself.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the Chair interpret that further as to whether or not with permission I may bring a friend in.

The SPEAKER. The rule of the House provides that if any member of the House desires to bring a friend on the floor of the House he can do so with the consent of the Speaker, and if I understand the rule correctly he may do so. The rule really speaks so plainly that I do not see how there can be any other interpretation taken of it.

Mr. REITZEL. Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that we have a Rules Committee, if there are any changes to be made in the rule, it seems to me that it would be wise and expedient to refer that resolution or any contemplated to the Committee on Rules.

The SPEAKER. For the information of the gentleman from Lancaster the Chair desires to say that when this resolution was presented and unanimous consent asked for immediate consideration there were no objections from any source. The gentleman can amend the resolution, or should he desire to make a motion the Chair will entertain it.

Mr. REITZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move you that this resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

It was adopted.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO LAST DAY FOR INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL offered the following resolution, which was twice read and laid over under the rules:

Be it Resolved, That Tuesday, April the tenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be fixed as the last day for introduction of bills in the House, except those pertaining to local legislation in which advertising has already been started.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection, the Chair would like to dispose of the first reading calendar at this time. The Chair hears no objection.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school district, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 46, entitled

An Act requiring employers to permit all employes to have a leave of absence of two hours on election without any deduction in wages.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 900, entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act, entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act to further amend section thirteen of an act, approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 1001), entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 419, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States from Pennsylvania in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one to sixty-five, fixing the rate of said pensions, the manner of obtaining same, and making an appropriation for the payment thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McCULLOUGH. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 419, File Folio 1441, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. FITZGIBBON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 398, entitled

An Act relating to the collection of county taxes in cities of the third class; providing for a notice of taxes due; and providing for rebates and penalties on such taxes in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 866, entitled

An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof, defining the words "Drug" and "Poison," and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law, and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality, strength and purity.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 677 (Senate Bill No. 75), entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight) entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 502 (Senate Bill No. 84), entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 503 (Senate Bill No. 85), entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie county, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 504 (Senate Bill No. 86), entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie county Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 505 (Senate Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 507 (Senate Bill No. 112), entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb a resident of Dauphin county Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 500 (Senate Bill No. 69), entitled

A Supplement to the second section of an act entitled, "A Supplement to the twenty-fourth section of an act entitled, 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine,' approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, amending the twenty-fourth section by providing for the payment by the State Treasurer of one-half of the two per centum tax on premiums paid by foreign fire insurance companies to the treasurers of the several cities and boroughs within this Commonwealth," approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, amending the same to provide for the payment of the net proceeds of the entire two per centum tax for the purpose indicated in the original act and supplement including townships among the distributees and providing for certain conditions upon said distribution.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for a second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WICKMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 500 (Senate Bill No. 69), be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 422 (Senate Bill No. 33), entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 633, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twenty-seven) entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no person firm or corporation shall sell offer or expose for sale any of the following named seeds within the State of Pennsylvania containing any of the seeds of dodder or Canada thistle in excess of one (1) seed in three thousand (3,000) and which do not conform to the following standards of purity as determined by weight

"For medium red clover mammoth red clover crimson clover alfalfa timothy-grass seed barley spelt wheat buckwheat oats and rye ninety-seven per centum (97) pure

"For Alsike clover perennial rye-grass German millet and Hungarian millet ninety-five per centum (95 per centum) pure

"For white clover ninety per centum (90 per centum) pure

"For redtop grass solid or hulled eighty-five per centum (85 per centum) pure

"For Canadian blue-grass orchard grass Kentucky blue-grass and redtop grass unhulled seventy-five per centum (75 per centum) pure" is hereby amended to read as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no person firm or corporation shall sell offer or expose for sale any of the following named seeds within the State of Pennsylvania containing any of the seeds of dodder or Canada thistle in excess of one (1) seed in three thousand (3,000) and which do not conform to the following standard of purity as determined by weight

For medium red clover mammoth red clover crimson clover alfalfa timothy-grass seed barley spelt wheat buckwheat oats and rye ninety-eight per centum (98 per centum) pure

For Alsike clover perennial rye-grass German millet and Hungarian millet ninety-six per centum (96 per centum) pure

For white clover ninety-five per centum (95 per centum) pure

For redtop grass solid or hulled eighty-five per centum (85 per centum) pure

For Canadian blue-grass orchard grass Kentucky blue-grass and redtop grass unhulled seventy-five per centum (75 per centum) pure

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 439, as follows:

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all land now owned or hereafter purchased by the Commonwealth for State forests and which by existing law is exempt from taxation for county purposes shall be subject to an annual charge of one cent per acre for county purposes

Section 2 The Commissioner of Forestry shall draw his warrant in favor of the treasurer of each county for the amount due each county which said warrants after the approval of the Auditor General shall be paid by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the counties in whose favor the same may be drawn

Section 3 That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 451, as follows:

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds of certain life insurance and annuity contracts bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month

Whereas it is to the interest of the Commonwealth and the various counties and municipal divisions thereof to encourage its citizens to reasonably provide for their own support during old age whereby the financial burden of their maintenance may be avoided therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any policy or contract of insurance or annuity hereafter taken out or issued by any insurance company domestic or foreign lawfully doing business in this Commonwealth to any solvent citizen thereof whereof the said insured or purchaser of said annuity shall be the beneficiary or annuitant not exceeding in income or return therefrom one hundred dollars ($100) per month shall be exempt and free and clear from the claims of all his or her creditors and from all legal and judicial processes of execution attachment or otherwise whatsoever

Section 2 This act shall not be construed to in any wise affect modify or repeal any other exemption laws of this Commonwealth now in force or hereafter to be passed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 815, as follows:

An Act authorizing Wilbur Jones Kay Fanny Kay his wife Ellingwood Kay Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay their children residents of the borough of East Washington and Mabel Mason resident of the borough of Washington all of Washington County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Wilbur Jones Kay Fanny Kay his wife Ellingwood Kay Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay their children residents of the Borough of East Washington and Mabel Mason resident of the borough of Washington all of Washington County Pennsylvania are authorized to bring suit jointly or severally in the court of common pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally due either jointly or severally to the said Wilbur Jones Kay Fanny Kay his wife Ellingwood Kay Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay their children and Mabel Mason as damages for personal injuries and for injuries to property sustained by them upon a State Highway near the residence of Howard Clark in said county on the eighth day of October nineteen hundred and fifteen through the alleged negligence of certain officers and employes of this Commonwealth and for the purpose of this suit the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met hereby assumes the same legal liability for the acts of said officers and employes as now exists in the case of ordinary employer and employee but the right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any other defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 773, as follows:

An Act authorizing directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the directors or overseers of the poor of any poor district are authorized to provide a building or rooms in any building separate and apart from the insane department of such poor district in which to care for treat and maintain persons committed to their care who are temporarily mentally deranged but whose condition does not warrant their classification as an insane person or their commitment to the insane department of said poor district

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 409, entitled

An Act to compel land owners in townships of the second class to clear the highways abutting on their land of brush and trees and imposing certain duties and liabilities on township supervisors

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That every person owning land abutting on any public highway in any township of the second class shall at least once in each year not later than the first day of October cut all brush and trees growing within the boundaries of such highway and along the sides thereof This provision does not apply to trees of a diameter of four inches or more at a point two feet above the surface of the ground Such persons shall also trim all trees growing along such highways or overhanging the same and shall keep them trimmed so as to allow a clearance of at least sixteen feet above the surface of the highway

When any land owner owns the property on one side of such highway only he shall not be compelled to keep the same cleared beyond the center line of such highway

BILL RECOMMITTED.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section

Mr. JOHN P. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

Mr. SHATTUCK. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 612, entitled

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to, as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the armed organized land forces of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be and constitute the National Guard thereof styled the Pennsylvania National Guard and shall be subject at all times to the orders of the officers thereof

Section 2 Definitions—For the purposes of this act the words "National Defense Act" shall be taken to mean an act of Congress entitled "An Act for making further and more effectual provision for the national defense and for other purposes" approved by the President June third nineteen hundred and sixteen and any and all acts that may hereafter be enacted amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto The word "company" shall apply to and indicate the infantry headquarters supply cavalry field artillery engineer signal field hospital machine gun ambulance and field bakery units corresponding in general organization to a company of infantry The words "regiment" and "battalion" shall apply to any organization of any arm of the service equal in organization to a regiment or battalion of infantry as the case may be or so denominated by law

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 Composition of the National Guard—The National Guard of this Commonwealth including the existing organizations shall consist of nine regiments of infantry one regiment of engineers one regiment of cavalry three regiments of field artillery the signal corps the field bakery the brigade and division headquarters with their detachments and troops four field hospitals four ambulance companies an administrative staff corps an adjutant-general's department an inspector-general's department a judge-advocate-general's department a medical department a quartermaster corps and the necessary additional officers and enlisted men to be detailed to and form the staff of the respective division and brigade headquarters Hereafter the enlisted personnel of all the organizations of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall at all times be maintained at a strength not below the minimum strength fixed by act of Congress or the President and the rules and regulations promulgated in relation thereto The mobile troops of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be organized as far as practicable into brigades and a division

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 2, section 3, line 15, strike out "regiment," insert "regiments."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 4 Increase in Organizations—Should at any time the total number of enlisted men allotted as the strength of the Pennsylvania National Guard under and pursuant to the provisions of the National Defense Act and all acts of Congress amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto exceed the number required to complete the organizations hereinbefore provided for at their proper numerical strength then and in such case the Governor as commander-in-chief shall have the power and is hereby authorized and directed to prescribe in orders for the organization of any and all such additional units as may be required to conform as far as practicable to the requirements for the National Guard under the laws of the United States and to form the same into battalions regiments brigades and divisions as the total numerical strength may require

Section 5 Powers of the Governor—The Governor of this Commonwealth as commander-in-chief shall have the power and is hereby authorized and directed to alter increase divide annex consolidate disband organize or reorganize any organization department corps or staff so as to conform as far as practicable to any organization system drill instruction corps or staff uniform or equipment or period of enlistment now or hereafter prescribed by the laws of the United States and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder for the organization and regulation of the National Guard for that purpose the number of officers noncommissioned officers and enlisted men of any grade in any organization department corps or staff may be increased or diminished and the grade of such officers non-commissioned officers and enlisted men may be altered to the extent necessary to secure as far as practicable such uniformity Officers rendered surplus by either the disbandment consolidation or reorganization of their respective organizations shall be placed in the national guard reserve or such officers may be held as supernumerary officers during the unexpired portion of their respective commissions at the sole discretion of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and the period of time for which such officers are held as supernumerary may be included in computing the necessary length of service to entitle a commissioned officer to be placed upon the retired list

The Governor as Commander-in-Chief shall have power in case of war invasion insurrection riot or imminent danger thereof to increase the land forces of this Commonwealth and organize the same in accordance with the existing rules and regulations governing the armies of the United States as the exigency of the occasion may require and such organization and increase may be either pursuant to or in advance of any call made by the President

Section 6 General Officers of the Line—Officers commissioned to and holding in the Pennsylvania National Guard the grade of a general officer shall hereafter be known as general officers of the line The number of general officers of the line is hereby fixed at one major-general and not to exceed five brigadier generals General officers shall be appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate but no person shall be appointed a general officer who shall not have served at least fifteen years as a commissioned officer either in the National Guard of any state territory or the District of Columbia or in the United States Army or both Provided however that no officer commissioned as major-general shall remain in command of a division for a longer period than five years Provided further That should said period of five years terminate while such officer is in the active service of the United States the Governor may re-appoint and re-commission him to serve during the further period of such active service

Section 7 Administrative Staff—There shall be an administrative staff composed of so many commissioned officers and enlisted men in addition to the officers and enlisted men of the staffs of the higher tactical units as the same are now or may be hereafter authorized and the Governor is hereby authorized to commission such officers in such number and of such grades and to enlist and warrant such non-commissioned officers in such grades as may comply with the rules and regulations now in force or hereafter to be promulgated in relation thereto Such administrative staff shall furnish the necessary officers and men to provide the administrative sanitary and supply personnel for mobilization and recruiting purposes for the Pennsylvania National Guard in federal service and shall perform such other duties as may be required of them by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief

The eighth section was read as follows:

Section 8 Powers of the Division Commander—The Major-General Commanding the Division Pennsylvania National Guard shall have in time of peace so far as practicable all the power and authority of the Commanding General of a tactical division under the rules and regulations prescribed or hereafter to be prescribed for the government of the armies of the United States subject to the orders and direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief He may with the consent of the Commander-in-Chief employ such clerical and other force as may be required at his headquarters who shall be paid by the Adjutant General such rates of compensation as may be deemed by the Commander-in-Chief just and proper

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 6, section 8, line 16, strike out "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The ninth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 9 Medical Department The medical department shall consist of the medical corps the dental corps the veterinary corps and the enlisted men pertaining thereto The commissioned officers of the medical corps shall be proportionately distributed among the several grades and assigned to duty with troops in such number and of such grades as may comply with the rules and regulations promulgated in relation thereto The enlisted force of the medical department shall consist of such personnel as may conform as far as practicable to the enlisted personnel now or hereafter provided by law or regulations therefor Original enlistments for the medical department shall be made in the grade of private and re-enlistments and promotions of enlisted men therein shall be governed by such regulations as may be promulgated relating thereto
The Governor is hereby authorized to appoint and commission dental surgeons at the rate of one for each one thousand enlisted men of the line of the Pennsylvania National Guard Dental Surgeons shall have the rank and pay of dental surgeons of like grade and service in the regular army

The tenth section was read as follows:

Section 10 Veterinarians The Governor is hereby authorized to appoint such veterinarians and assistant veterinarians as may be necessary to comply with the rules and regulations promulgated in relation thereto and said veterinarians and assistant veterinarians shall constitute the veterinary corps Pennsylvania National Guard They shall have the rank and pay of veterinarians and assistant veterinarians of like grade and service in the regular army

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 7, section 10, line 17, strike out "assistants," insert "assistant."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The eleventh and twelfth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 11 Composition of Units The composition of all units of the Pennsylvania National Guard including the commissioned and enlisted personnel thereof other than those specifically provided for in this act shall be fixed from time to time by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and announced in General Orders and shall as far as practicable be in accordance and in compliance with such regulations as may be promulgated by the Secretary of War for the composition of the National Guard Every such order shall have the same force and effect as if specifically enacted and provided for by statute
Section 12 Commissions of Officers and Prescribed Oath All commissioned officers shall be appointed by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and be commissioned accordingly to the grade in the department corps or arm of the service in which they are appointed and shall be assigned to duty by the Commander-in-Chief They shall take and subscribe the following oaths "I ..... do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Pennsylvania against all enemies foreign and domestic that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and of the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania that I make this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of ..... in the National Guard of the United States and of the State of Pennsylvania upon which I am about to enter so help me God" No officer shall be commissioned until he shall have successfully passed such tests as to his physical moral and professional fitness as shall be prescribed in relation thereto

The thirteenth section was read as follows:

Section 13 Continuity of Rank Whenever an officer shall be recommissioned in the same grade or commissioned in a lower grade than that in which he has served in the Pennsylvania National Guard within three months after the expiration or termination of his previous commission he shall take rank from the date given in his previous commissioner Provided That when a commissioned officer has been in continuous service as such service and commissioner in a higher grade shall not affect the continuity of rank when such officer shall be recommissioned in a lower grade in which he has previously served

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 9, section 13, line 6, strike out "commissioner," insert "commission."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 14 Elimination and Disposition of Officers At any time the moral character capacity and general fitness for the service of any Pennsylvania National Guard officer may be determined by an efficiency board of three commissioned officers senior in rank if possible to the officer whose fitness for service shall be under investigation appointed by the Governor in case of general officers and departmental officers and the Commanding General of the Division in all other cases and if the findings of such board be unfavorable to such officer and be approved by the Governor he shall be discharged Commissions of officers of the National Guard may be vacated upon transfer to National Guard Reserve resignation absence without leave for three months upon the recommendation of an efficiency board pursuant to sentence of a court-martial if recourse has been had to the sureties on his bond in the settlement of his financial or property accounts or if he has been convicted of an infamous crime
Section 15 Vacation of Commission by Promotion When a commissioned officer of the Pennsylvania National Guard is appointed to another office therein and accepts the same such acceptance shall vacate the office previously held
Section 16 Administration of Oaths General field and administrative staff officers are hereby authorized and empowered to administer oaths and affirmations in all matters appertaining to or concerning the Pennsylvania National Guard and the commanding officers of companies are authorized and empowered to administer oaths and affirmations in the enlistments of recruits for their respective organizations Any person who shall falsely swear or affirm to any oath or affirmation before any such officer shall be deemed guilty of perjury and upon trial and conviction thereof shall be sentenced for such offense as provided by law

The seventeenth section was read as follows:

Section 17 Temporary Detail by Commanding Officers When a company is without commissioned officers from any cause the commanding officer of the regiment of which it is a part or if not part of a regiment then the division commander shall detail an officer to command said organization until an officer has been appointed or assigned thereto

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 10, section 17, line 16, strike out "wtihout," insert "without."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The eighteenth section was read as follows:

Section 18 Term of office of general field and line officers The term of every general field and line officer and departmental officer other than those provided for in section nineteen shall be for five years unless his commission be otherwise lawfully determined and annulled Provided that all commissions in force in the National Guard of Pennsylvania at the time of the passage of this act shall continue in force in the Pennsylvania National Guard for the unexpired portion thereof subject to termination as herein provided All appointments to the grade of second lieutenant shall be provisional for a period of one year at the close of which period such appointments shall be made for the full term of five years if the appointee shall have demonstrated under such regulations as may be prescribed in relation thereto his suitability and moral professional and physical fitness therefor and should any appointee be deemed unfit by the Commander-in-Chief his appointment shall be terminated should any such appointee be promoted to a higher grade before the expiration of said one year he shall receive a provisional appointment in such higher grade under like conditions as apply to the appointment of a second lieutenant

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 11, section 18, line 4, insert the word "then" after the word "shall."

Page 11, section 18, line 5, strike out the first word "the," insert "a."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The nineteenth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 19 Term of office of certain staff officers No person shall hereafter be appointed as a staff officer nor as an officer of the pay inspection subsistence or medical department unless such person shall have had previous military experience Every person so appointed to any office or position designated in this section shall hold his position until he shall have reached the age of sixty-four years unless retired prior to that time by reason of resignation transfer to reserve disability or for cause determined by a court-martial legally convened for that purpose or by proceedings by an efficiency board constituted for that purpose All vacancies among said officers holding positions specified in this section shall be filled by appointment from the officers of the Pennsylvania National Guard Provided that when a vacancy occurs in the Adjutant General's Department inspector general's department judge advocate general's department quartermaster's corps ordnance department or signal corps the same may be filled in the discretion of the Governor by the detail of a line officer of the grade in which the vacancy exists Such detail shall be for a period of not to exceed five years at the expiration of which time the officer unless re-detailed shall be assigned to fill a vacancy in his grade in any line organization that the Governor may direct The detail of an officer under the provisions of this section shall create a vacancy in his grade and organization which shall be filled in the same manner as a vacancy due to any other cause

The twentieth section was read as follows:

Section 20 Bonds of officers Certain commissioned officers shall give bonds with corporate surety as follows Officers appointed or detailed as quartermaster of the grade of colonel lieutenant colonel or major severally in the sum of two thousand dollars captains of all companies and commanding officers of field hospitals and ambulance companies severally in the sum of two thousand dollars lieutenants of each and all of said organizations and other captains or lieutenants assigned to field hospitals or ambulance companies severally in the sum of one thousand dollars Provided that the Adjutant General may require a bond in such amount as he may deem sufficient of any officer who may become responsible either for public funds or public property or both The form of all bonds shall be prescribed and furnished by the Adjutant General and shall be conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of the respective offices and the proper accounting for public moneys or public property or both entrusted to said officer and for the safe-keeping and return of the property of the State issued and entrusted to them by the Adjutant General and of the property of the United States issued and entrusted to them by the United States property and disbursing officer or acquired by transfer or inventory or on memorandum receipt or by purchase from State funds whenever and as often as demand is made upon the principal in said bond for an accounting or the payment back of said money and accounting for or invoicing to a designated officer the property issued or assigned to said officers

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 12, section 20, line 19, strike out the words "commanding officers of field hospitals severally in the sum."

Page 12, section 20, line 22, strike out the words "or lieutenants."

Page 12, section 20, line 24, strike out the second word "the," insert "The."

Page 12, section 20, line 28, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

Page 13, section 20, line 5, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 21 Pay of officers on special duty Commissioned officers may be ordered upon special duty at the discretion of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and shall receive the pay of their respective grades during the time they may continue upon duty under such order Provided that when the duty required of them is a duty enjoined by law or regulations upon an officer of higher grade the officer so detailed shall receive the pay of such higher grade

The twenty-second section was read as follows:

Section 22 Retirement of officers Commissioned officers who shall have served forty years either as an officer or enlisted man or both in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall upon application made to the Adjutant General be retired from active service and placed upon the retired list as of the next higher grade except a major-general whose grade upon the retired list shall remain the same and when any commissioned officer is sixty-four years of age he shall be retired from active service and may be placed upon the retired list as of the next higher grade except a major-general whose grade on the retired list shall remain the same Provided that service in the volunteer forces of the United States or in the army navy or marine corps thereof during the war for the suppression of the rebellion or during the war for the suppression of the rebellion or the war with Spain in Mexican border service or in other federal service may be included as of twice its actual length in computing the forty years of service required for retirement The Governor as commander-in-chief shall have power and is hereby authorized to relieve from active service and place upon the retired list as of the next higher grade any commissioned officer who has served continuously in any one grade for fifteen years The commission of any officer so relieved from active duty and placed upon the retired list shall be considered as terminated and the office held by him as vacated When an officer has become incapable from any cause of performing the duties of his office he may be ordered before an efficiency board created as herein provided and sitting as a retiring board If he is found disqualified by reason of physical disability incurred in the line of duty he may be retired as of the next higher grade but if he is found disqualified for any other reason he shall be retired without increase in grade The action of every such board shall be subject to the approval of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 13, section 22, line 25, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

Page 14, section 22, line 8, strike out the words "during the war for the suppression of the rebellion or."

Page 15, section 22, line 1, strike out the word "oppreval," insert "approval."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-third and twenty-fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 23 Holding Officers as Supernumerary Pending Settlement A commissioned officer responsible for State funds or State property or property of the United States issued to him by the Adjutant-General or United States Property and Disbursing Officer or acquired by transfer inventory or purchase from annual allowance of State funds who may tender his resignation and whose accounts are not settled may be relieved from active duty by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and held as supernumerary pending settlement of his accounts and when so relieved from active duty the office in which he is commissioned or to which he has been assigned shall be considered as vacated Provided that a commissioned officer so held as supernumerary shall be amenable to court-martial for military offenses to the same extent and in like manner as if upon the active list

Section 24 Enlistment in the National Guard Hereafter the period of enlistment in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be for six years the first three years of which shall be in an active organization and the remaining three years in the National Guard Reserve and the qualifications for enlistment shall be the same as those prescribed for admission to the Regular Army Provided that the privilege of continuing in active service during the whole of an enlistment period and of re-enlisting in said service shall not be denied by reason of anything contained herein

The twenty-fifth section was read as follows:

Section 25 Enlistment Contract Every man enlisting in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall sign an enlistment contract and take and subscribe to the following oath of enlistment "I do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this ..... day of ..... 19.. as a soldier in the National Guard of the United States and of the State of Pennsylvania for the period of three years in service and three years in the reserve under the conditions prescribed by law unless sooner discharged by proper authority And I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America and to the State of Pennsylvania and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and of the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania and of the officers appointed over me according to law and the rules and articles of war"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 16, section 25, line 15, strike out the word "Unted," insert "United."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 26 Discharge of Enlisted Men from the National Guard An enlisted man discharged from service in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall receive a discharge in writing in such form and with such classification as is or shall be prescribed for the Regular Army and in time of peace discharges may be given prior to the expiration of terms of enlistment under such regulations as the Governor may prescribe subject to the restrictions of the National Defense Act

Section 27 Disbandment of Companies If it appears to the Governor as Commander-in-Chief that a company of the Pennsylvania National Guard has failed to comply with the requirements of the law in matters of uniform equipment discipline or efficiency so that it cannot discharge the duties required of it such company may be disbanded by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may disband any company if in his judgment the interests of the service justify it subject to the restrictions of the National Defense Act

The twenty-eighth section was read as follows:

Section 28 The Adjutant-General The Governor shall appoint by and with the consent of the Senate the Adjutant-General who shall hold office for the term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified but he may be removed at any time by the Governor He shall give bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars in such form and with such sureties as may be approved by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief He shall have the custody of all books accounts and military property of the Commonwealth issued by it pertaining to the Pennsylvania National Guard He shall distribute all orders from the Commander-in-Chief and perform such other duties as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief shall direct He shall make a return annually in duplicate of the Pennsylvania National Guard and a report of their arms uniforms accoutrements and ammunition according to such forms as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War one copy to be filed in the office of the Adjutant-General and one copy to be forwarded to the Secretary of War He may with the consent of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief employ such emergency clerical and other force as may be required in his department or at the State Arsenal who shall be paid such rates of compensation as may be by him deemed just and proper He shall pay the troops and make all other disbursements authorized by this act by warrants drawn by him upon the Treasurer of the Commonwealth countersigned by the Auditor General He shall supply to all officers of the Pennsylvania National Guard copies of drill regulations manuals of rifle practice service manuals and military publications forms and books prescribed for use of the United States Army as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may designate He may with the approval of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief sell or exchange from time to time such military stores belonging to the Commonwealth as are found unserviceable or in state of decay or which it may be deemed for the best interests of the Commonwealth to sell or exchange all moneys received for stores so sold shall be paid into the Treasury of the Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 17, section 28, line 10, strike out the third word "the," insert "The."

Page 17, section 28, line 26, strike out the second word "the," insert "The."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-ninth and thirtieth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 29 Retention of Ancient Privileges Any corps of artillery cavalry or infantry existing in this State on the passage of the Act of Congress of May eighth seventeen hundred and ninety-two which by the laws customs or usages of this State has been in continuous existence since the passage of said act shall be allowed to retain its ancient privileges subject nevertheless to all duties required by law of the militia Provided That said organizations may be a part of the Pennsylvania National Guard and entitled to all the privileges thereof and shall conform in all respects except as to cornets to the organization discipline and training of the National Guard in time of war Provided further That for the purposes of training and when on active duty in the service of the United States they may be assigned to higher units as the Governor may direct and shall be subject to the orders of officers under whom they shall be serving

Section 30 Exemption from Arrest No officer or enlisted man shall be arrested on any warrant except for treason or felony while going to remaining at or returning from a place where he is ordered to attend for military duty

The thirty-first section was read as follows:

Section 31 Encampments and Maneuvers Camps of instruction combined camps with troops of the Regular Army and of other states practice marches maneuvers and other exercises including outdoor target practice shall be held at such times and places and for such organizations and for such periods as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may direct none of which shall exceed fifteen days in any one year During such tour of duty an inspection shall be made by such officers as may be designated for that purpose by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief For services during such tours of duty commissioned officers shall be entitled to the same pay and transportation in kind as officers of like grade of the Regular Army are or may hereafter be entitled to by law and any such payments not made from Federal funds except longevity pay shall be payable from State funds by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner For services during such tours of duty all enlisted men shall be entitled to and shall receive the per diem pay hereinafter prescribed Provided That the difference between the rate of pay for enlisted men as hereinafter provided in this act and the amount that may be received from the Federal Government at Federal rate of pay shall be paid from State funds by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner and in addition thereto enlisted men shall be entitled to transportation in kind and subsistence

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 19, section 31, line 27, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

Page 20, section 31, line 5, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The thirty-second section was read as follows:

Section 32 Pay of Officers and Men on Active Duty and State Service When the Pennsylvania National Guard or any part thereof is ordered on active duty by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and pay is authorized for such duty under the order prescribing the performance thereof the commissioned officers so ordered shall be entitled to the same pay as officers of like grade in the Regular Army of the United States Enlisted men so ordered on active duty shall be entitled to per diem pay as follows Quartermaster sergeants senior grade quartermaster corps master hospital sergeants master engineers senior grade band leaders master signal electricians quartermaster sergeants first class ordnance sergeants first sergeants sergeants first class of engineers signal troops and medical department hospital sergeants medical department regimental and battalion supply sergeants color sergeants and sergeants major three dollars ($3.00) quartermaster sergeants sergeants of engineers and signal troops master engineers junior grade assistant band leaders and sergeant buglers two dollars and twenty-five cents ($2.25) sergeants including supply stable and mess sergeants of infantry cavalry and artillery field hospitals ambulance companies and bands chief mechanics of artillery corporals of engineers quartermaster corps ordnance department signal corps and bands horseshoers musicians first class and cooks of all organizations two dollars ($2.00) corporals of all other arms artificers saddlers wagoners farriers mechanics of artilley and musicians second class one dollar and seventy-five cents ($1.75) musicians third class and privates first class of all arms of the service one dollar and sixty cents ($1.60) privates of all arms of the service and buglers one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) Each enlisted man who after having served three years with the colors shall continue in service with the colors shall be entitled to and receive additional pay to the rate heretofore named in this section of twenty-five cents per day while so serving with the colors the balance of his original enlistment and a like amount for the first three years of any re-enlistment which additional payments shall be made in such manner and upon such forms as the Adjutant-General may direct Provided however That such service pay shall not exceed in any case the sum of fifty cents per day All payments of per diem pay and service pay shall be made by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner No deductions shall be made from the pay of officers or enlisted men in active service for dues or other financial obligations imposed by any by-laws rules or regulations of a civic character

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 21, section 32, line 4, strike out the word "organziations," insert "organizations."

Page 21, section 32, line 19, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

Page 21, section 32, line 23, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The thirty-third section was read as follows:

Section 33 Transportation and Expenses of Officers on Special Duty Officers in attendance upon courts-martial boards of examination efficiency boards and other necessary duty as prescribed by the Adjutant-General shall receive transportation in kind as may be provided for in orders and the necessary expenses lawfully incurred in the performance of any such duty shall be paid upon proper vouchers duly approved by the officer under whose orders the duty is performed

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 22, section 33, line 4, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The thirty-fourth section was read as follows:

Section 34 Annual Appropriations Organizations of the Pennsylvania National Guard found upon examination of the reports made by an inspecting officer duly detailed for that purpose to be up to the standard required in strength drill discipline and efficiency shall receive in annual allowance the following sums of money per annum which shall be used and expended solely for military purposes and for the use and benefit of the organization Each troop of cavalry machine gun troop battery of field artillery and signal corps company fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) each mounted headquarters troop and headquarters company of artillery including band section fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) if without band section seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750) each supply company of mounted troops seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750) each machine gun company and headquarters company of dismounted troops including band section six hundred dollars ($600) each supply company of dismounted troops four hundred dollars ($400) each company of infantry field hospital and ambulance company five hundred dollars ($500) a field bakery such an amount as may be determined by the Adjutant-General not to exceed four hundred dollars ($400) the said allowances to be paid by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner to the commanding officer of the respective organization but it shall be the duty of the Adjutant-General before paying any of the said allowance in money to procure by purchase or otherwise and issue for each enlisted man not already provided therewith such articles of dress uniform and such articles of service uniform and equipment as are required for field service and also such mess tents kitchen tents and military stores required by the respective organizations not furnished and paid for out of federal funds and charge the cost of same to the said annual allowance and the balance if any to be paid and disbursed as hereinafter provided Provided however That any regiment battalion squadron or company may at its own expense provide itself with other uniforms of such style and pattern as a majority of its officers may select and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief approve which uniform shall be the property of the organization or the individual members thereof No portion of any allowance made by the State to any organization shall be expended in procuring such special uniforms or in repairing or caring for the same No part of the annual allowances paid under the provisions of this act to the several organizations of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be used in the purchase erection or construction of any armory unless the title thereto be vested in the Commonwealth The commanding officer of each organization shall at such time as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may direct make a return to the Adjutant-General containing an itemized account and statement of all disbursements of the money appropriated and paid to said organization and not previously accounted for which account and statement shall be verified by the proper original vouchers for such disbursements this accounting to be made under and in accordance with such regulations as may be prescribed by the Commander-in-Chief

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 22, section 34, line 28, add the word "engineers" after the word "of."

Page 23, section 34, line 2, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

Page 23, section 34, line 3, strike out the second word "the," insert "The."

Page 23, section 34, line 6, strike out the first word "the," insert "The."

Page 24, section 34, line 6, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The thirty-fifth section was read as follows:

Section 35 Military Board The Military Board shall consist of the Adjutant-General Auditor General and State Treasurer who shall meet at such times as may be necessary and whose duty it shall be to audit and adjust all claims incident to the organization discipline maintenance and service of the Pennsylvania National Guard other than fixed allowances and which claims on the approval of said Military Board shall be paid by the Adjutant General in the usual manner Each member of the Military Board shall be paid an annual salary of six hundred dollars ($600)

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 24, section 35, line 22, strike out the first word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The thirty-sixth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 36 Armory Rent The commanding officer of each organization excepting division brigade regimental squadron or battalion headquarters in addition to annual allowances provided for herein and under the same requirements and not occupying an armory owned by the Commonwealth shall be paid an annual allowance of two hundred dollars ($200) by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner said annual allowance to be devoted exclusively to the payment of rent of armory

The thirty-seventh section was read as follows:

Section 37 Horse Hire The payment of hire of horses for such officers and enlisted men as are required to be mounted and for horses necessary for batteries of field artillery and for such horses or mules as may be required for machine gun companies and for wagon transportation when in active service including camps of instruction combined camps practice marches parades maneuvers and other exercises when ordered by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief shall not exceed two dollars ($2) per diem per horse or mule to be paid by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner and upon properly itemized and duly approved vouchers

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 25, section 37, line 13, strike out the word "manuvers," insert "maneuvers."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The thirty-eighth, thirty-ninth and fortieth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 38 Necessary Expenses of Headquarters The necessary military expenses of general division brigade regimental and separate battalion headquarters including clerk hire and other actual outlays shall be paid by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner, on the usual lawful vouchers to that effect duly sworn to or affirmed to by the commanding officer or the officer charged with the payment of such expenses such expenses in no event to exceed twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum for the division seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750) for each brigade headquarters five hundred dollars ($500) for each regimental headquarters and two hundred dollars ($200) for each battalion headquarters not a part of a regiment

Section 39 Criminal Offenses Any commissioned officer or enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard who shall embezzle misapply or convert to his own use without authority any moneys received by or entrusted to him for disbursement shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be sentenced as for other like offenses under the penal code of this State

Section 40 Relief for Disability Incurred in Active Service If any officer or enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard is wounded or otherwise disabled while doing duty in active service of the State for which duty a per diem rate of pay is paid he shall receive from the Commonwealth just and reasonable relief in amount to be determined by the Military Board

The forty-first section was read as follows:

Section 41 Rifle Practice Allowances The Adjutant-General shall provide for and issue to the Pennsylvania National Guard for rifle and artillery practice such ammunition as may be necessary for the efficiency of the service and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may fix an annual allowance for rifle or revolver practice expenses to be paid by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 26, section 41, line 24, strike out the first word "the," insert "The."
Page 26, section 41, line 25, strike out the "]," insert "[."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The forty-second section was read as follows:

Section 42 Powers of Officers in Active Service The commanding officer of any troops in active service may place in arrest any officer or enlisted man who shall disobey the orders of his superior officer or any person or persons who shall trespass on parade or camp grounds or in any way or manner interrupt or molest the orderly dischage of duty of those in active service and also may prohibit and prevent the sale of spirituous or malt liquors within two miles of such parade grounds or encampment and also in his discretion abate as a nuisance all hucksters auction sales or gambling

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 27, section 42, line 4, strike out the word "gounds," insert "grounds."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The forty-third and forty-fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 43 Subsistence and Quartermaster Stores The necessary subsistence and quartermaster stores and expenses incident to any active service including the transportation of troops may be contracted for under direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief by the Adjutant-General or any other officer designated for that purpose and paid for in the usual manner

Section 44 Powers of the Governor in Case of Emergency When an invasion of or insurrection in the State occurs or is threatened or a tumult riot or mob shall exist or there is imminent danger thereof the Governor may in his discretion place the Pennsylvania National Guard or any part thereof on active duty

The forty-fifth section was read as follows:

Section 45 Payment of Emergency Expenses When the Pennsylvania National Guard or any portion thereof is ordered on active duty by the Governor as Commander-

in-Chief in repelling invasion subduing insurrection riot or disorder within the State or in the prevention thereof the payment of the troops and all other expenses incident to such service will be made by the Adjutant-General from the funds obtained by warrant drawn by the Governor of the Commonwealth upon the State Treasurer against an appropriation made for such purpose and if the Pennsylvania National Guard or any portion thereof shall be called into the active service of the United States by the President all necessary expenses incident to the mobilization of the Pennsylvania National Guard or any portion thereof under such call excluding per diem pay shall be paid by the Adjutant-General from funds obtained in like manner The necessary transportation subsistence and quartermaster stores and the necessary expenses incident to such active duty within the State or mobilization under the call of the President may be contracted for under direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief by the Adjutant-General or other officer or officers designated for that purpose and the same shall be paid for by the Adjutant-General from funds obtained by warrant drawn by the Governor of the Commonwealth upon the State Treasurer against an appropriation made for such purpose

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 27, section 45, line 29, strike out the first word "the," insert "The."
Page 27, section 45, line 29, strike out the second word "the."
Page 28, section 45, line 7, strike out the word "the," insert "The."
Page 28, section 45, line 13, strike out the second word "the," insert "The."
Page 28, section 45, line 15, strike out the second word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The forty-sixth section was read as follows:

Section 46 Exemption of Uniform The uniform arms ammunition accoutrements of every commissioned officer and enlisted man shall be free from all suits distresses executions or sales for debt or payment of taxes

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 28, section 46, line 21, strike out the word "acourtrements," insert "accoutrements."
Page 28, section 46, line 22, strike out line under "all suits dis-."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The forty-seventh section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 47 Furnishing of Flags Et Cetera The Governor as Commander-in-Chief is hereby authorized to procure and issue from time to time to the Pennsylvania National Guard such flags standards and guidons as may be necessary which as far as practicable shall be similar in style to those of the United States Army

The forty-eighth section was read as follows:

Section 48 Purchasing and Receiving Uniforms in Pawn If any person shall knowingly and wilfully purchase or receive in pawn or pledge any arm accoutrement article of military clothing equipment tent or fly or any quartermaster medical engineer signal property ordnance or ordnance stores the property of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of the United States in use by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to an imprisonment not exceeding one year and a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 29, section 48, line 3, strike out the word "accourtrement," insert "accoutrement."
Page 29, section 48, line 11, strike out the word "imprisoment," insert "imprisonment."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The forty-ninth and fiftieth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 49 Exemptions from Jury Duty and Posse Comitatus In addition to exemptions now allowed by law any person who shall have performed duty in the Pennsylvania National Guard for a period of nine years or who served for nine months or a longer period in active service of the United States and was honorably discharged or mustered out shall be exempt from further military service except in case of war invasion or insurrection and from serving as a juror if he so desires Every officer and enlisted man in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall during his service therein be exempt from service upon any posse comitatus Every officer and enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard while in active service for which a per diem rate of pay is paid shall be exempt from jury duty during the period of such active service and any officer or enlisted man shall during his service in the Pennsylvania National Guard be exempt from serving as a juror if he so desires

Section 50 Exemption from Civil Process No civil process shall issue or be enforced against any officer or enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard in the active service of this Commonwealth or of the United States during so much of the term as he shall be engaged in active service under orders nor until thirty days after he shall have been relieved therefrom Provided that the operation of all statutes of limitations and presumptions arising from lapse of time shall be suspended upon all claims against such officer or enlisted man during such term.

The fifty-first section was read as follows:

Section 51 Methods or Settling Accounts In the settlement and payment of any accounts the Adjutant-General shall require except for incidental expenses or allowances authorized by this act or when it is impracticable an affidavit taken before a person authorized to administer oaths or affirmations in such form as the military board may prescribe Every account before payment shall be approved by the officer ordering the purchase or directing the rendering of service showing that the same is correct as to price that the articles were furnished or services rendered on his order and supplied as charged any person who shall falsely swear or affirm to any oath or affirmation as to any matter provided for in this section shall be deemed guilty of perjury and upon trial and conviction thereof shall be sentenced as provided by law and in addition thereto shall suffer the forfeiture of the whole amount of the articles or service falsely charged for or paid for one-half of which amount shall go to the person or persons who shall give information and shall prosecute such charge to conviction and the other half shall be paid into the treasury of this Commonwealth

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments?

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 30, section 51, line 14, strike out the word "or," insert "of."
Page 30, section 51, line 15, strike out the word "the," insert "The."
Page 31, section 51, line 4, strike out the word "perury," insert "perjury."
Page 31, section 51, line 4, strike out the word "perury," insert "perjury."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fifty-second section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 52 Courts of Inquiry Courts of inquiry to consist of one officer may be instituted by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief or the commanding general of the division for the purposes of investigating the conduct of any officer either upon his own request or upon complaint or charge of improper conduct as an officer or for the purpose of settling rank any court of inquiry with approval of the convening authority may employ a stenographer to take testimony Courts of inquiry shall without delay report a statement of facts to the officer instituting such court who may in his discretion cause charges to be preferred against the accused

The fifty-third section was read as follows:

Section 53 System of Courts-Martial Courts-martial shall be of three kinds namely general courts-martial special courts-martial and summary courts-martial They shall be constituted like and have cognizance of the same subjects and possess like powers except as to punishments as similar courts provided for by the laws and regulations governing the Army of the United States and the proceedings of courts-martial of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall follow as far as practicable the forms and modes of procedure prescribed for said similar courts Except for certain offenses hereinbefore specified all charges and specifications shall be laid under some one or more of the Articles of War which Articles of War shall be of the same force and effect in any proceeding before any court-martial as if the same had been herein enacted at length

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 31, section 53, line 25, strike out the word "courts-martial."
Page 31, section 53, line 26, strike out the word "courts-martial" in two places where it occurs in this line.
Page 32, section 53, line 4, strike out the word "simialr," insert "similar."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fifty-fourth, fifty-fifth, fifty-sixth, fifty-seventh and fifty-eighth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 54 General courts-martial in the Pennsylvania National Guard may be convened by order of the Governor and such courts shall have the power to impose fines not exceeding two hundred dollars ($200) to sentence to forfeiture of pay and allowances to reprimand to dismissal or dishonorable discharge from the service to a reduction of non-commissioned officers to the ranks or any two or more of such punishments may be combined in the sentences imposed by such courts

Section 55 When not in the active service of the United States the commanding officer of each garrison fort post camp or other place brigade detached regiment or separate battalion or other detached or separate command may appoint special courts-martial for his command but such special courts-martial may in any case be appointed by superior authority when by the latter deemed desirable Special courts-martial shall have power to try any person subject to military law except a commissioned officer for any crime or offenes made punishable by the military laws of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and such special courts-martial shall have the same powers of punishment as do general courts-martial except that fines imposed by such special courts-martial shall not exceed one hundred dollars ($100)

Section 56 When not in the active service of the United States the commanding officer of each garrison fort post or other place regiment detached or separate batalion or company or other detachment of the Pennsylvania National Guard may appoint for such place or command a summary court to consist of one officer who shall have power to administer oaths and to try the enlisted men of such place or command for breaches of discipline and violations of the laws governing such organizations except civic by-laws and said court when satisfied of the guilt of such soldier may impose fines not exceeding twenty-five dollars ($25) for any single offense may sentence non-commissioned officers to reduction to the ranks may sentence to forfeiture of pay and allowances The proceedings of such summary court shall be informal and the minutes thereof shall be as far as practicable the same as prescribed for summary courts of the army of the United States

Section 57 All courts-martial including summary courts of the Pennsylvania National Guard when not in the active service of the United States shall have power to sentence to confinement in lieu of fines authorized to be imposed Provided that such sentences of confinement shall not exceed one day for each dollar of fine authorized and imposed

Section 58 When the Pennsylvania National Guard is not in the active service of the United States sentence of dismissal from the service or dishonorable discharge imposed by court-martial shall not be executed until approved by the Governor

The fifty-ninth section was read as follows:

Section 59 When not in the active service of the United States presidents of courts-martial and summary court officers shall have power to issue warrants directed to the sheriff of the proper county or any constable to arrest accused persons and to bring them before the court for trial whenever such persons shall have disobeyed an order in writing from the convening authority to appear before such court a copy of the charge or charges having been delivered to the accused with such order in the manner provided by law for service of civil process and to issue subpoenas and subpoenas ducas tecum and to enforce by attachment attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers and to sentence for a refusal to be sworn or to answer as provided in actions before civil courts

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 34, section 59, line 6, strike out the word "Uunted," insert "United."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixtieth section was read as follows:

Section 60 Collection of Fines The president of any general or special court-martial or the officer of a summary court shall issue his warrant for the collection of all fines imposed by said court-martial a summary court to the sheriff or any constable of the county in which the court was held or in which the delinquent resides whose duty it shall be to collect all fines provided for by this act in the same manner as he is authorized to collect debts on civil process and make his return to the president of said court or to the officer of the said summary court or within twenty days certify to the said president or officer that there is no property of the defendant out of which said moneys can be made Upon such return of "no goods" the said president or officer of the court shall issue his warrant of commitment of such delinquent to the proper jail of the county directed to such sheriff or contsable who shall forthwith execute said warrant and make proper return of the same to said court

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 34, section 60, line 24, strike out the word "a," insert "or."
Page 35, section 60, line 8, strike out the word "contable," insert "constable."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixty-first, sixty-second, sixty-third and sixty-fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 61 Duties of Jailers The keepers and wardens of all county jails are required to receive and confine all military offenders when delivered by such sheriff or constable under the proper certificate of commitment of a general special or summary court-martial for and during the term of sentence as set forth in said commitment

Section 62 Disobedience of Subpoenas Every witness not appearing in obedience to such subpoena when duly served and not having a sufficient or reasonable excuse shall forfeit to the Commonwealth a sum not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each default and the president or officer of such court shall from time to time report to the district attorney the names of such delinquent witnesses together with the names and places of residence of the persons serving such subpoena the better to enable him to prosecute for such forfeiture

Section 63 Execution of Attachment Every attachment for a witness shall be executed in the same manner as a warrant and by the sheriff or a constable of the county and the fees for serving the same shall be paid by the person against whom the same shall have been issued unless he shall show reasonable cause to the satisfaction of such court for his omission to attend in which case the party requiring such attachment shall pay the costs such costs shall be ascertained by the said court which may thereupon issue an execution for the collection thereof against the person liable to pay the same and which shall be collected as other executions are collected by said sheriff or constable

Section 64 Appeals to the Governor An appeal from the approved finding or sentence of a general court-martial may be made to the Governor as Commander-in-Chief within twenty days after the decision appealed from shall have been made known to the accused and shall operate as a stay of execution of sentence until such appeal has been decided

The sixty-fifth section was read as follows:

Section 65 Moneys to be Paid to State Treasurer All fines and penalties imposed and collected through the sentence of courts-martial shall be forwarded to the Adjutant-General and by him paid into the Treasury of the Commonwealth

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 36, section 65, line 20, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixty-sixth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 66 Liability of Public Officers for Non-Execution of Process The neglect or refusal of any sheriff constable or jail-warden to execute any process or to make proper return of all fines and penalties collected or to receive in custody any prisoner shall be deemed a misdemeanor and shall subject the offender to a prosecution by the proper district attorney and to a penalty upon conviction of each such offense of one hundred dollars ($100) to the use of the Commonwealth

The sixty-seventh section was read as follows:

Section 67 Compensation of Court Judge-Advocates and members of courts-martial and courts of inquiry shall be allowed transportation in kind and per diem pay as per military grade for time actually employed in the duties assigned them Transportation in kind shall be furnished to all prosecutors prisoners witnesses sheriffs and constables to and from the place or places designated for the meetings of said courts The per diem pay of military and civilian witnesses shall be the same as in civil courts of law The fees of sheriffs and constables for serving the processes provided for in this act shall be the same as prescribed by law for similar processes of a civil nature and shall upon proper vouchers being filed be paid by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 37, section 67, line 17, strike out the first word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixty-eighth section was read as follows:

Section 68 Leaves of Absence for Certain State Employes All officials and employes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania members of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be entitled to leave of absence from their respective duties without loss of pay time or efficiency rating on all days during which they shall as members of the Pennsylvania National Guard be engaged in the active service of the Commonwealth or in field training ordered or authorized under the provisions of this act

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 37, section 68, line 20, strike out the word "ployes," insert "employees."
Page 37, section 68, line 20, strike out the word "official," insert "officials."
Page 37, section 68, line 20, strike out the word "employes," insert "employees."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixty-ninth section was read as follows:

Section 69 Codification This act shall be known as the "Pennsylvania National Guard Act" and together with any acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof may be codified and published by the Adjutant-General

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 38, section 69, line 4, strike out the word "the," insert "The."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The seventieth section was read as follows:

Section 70 Intent of the Act The various sections of this act are hereby declared to be independent of each other and in the event of any section thereof hereafter being declared unconstitutional it is the intent and meaning hereof that such section alone should be eliminated herefrom without affecting any portion of this act

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 38, section 70, line 7, strike out the word "thereof," insert "hereof."
Page 38, section 70, line 10, add the word "other" after the word "any."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The seventy-first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 71 When Effective The provisions of this act shall become effective on and after June first nineteen hundred and seventeen

The seventy-second section was read as follows:

Section 72 Repeal The Act of Assembly approved April ninth nineteen hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing for the organization discipline maintenance and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth" and all previous acts or parts of acts relating to the National Guard and Organized Militia or either and inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Page 38, section 72, line 20, strike out the words "or either and."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act providing for the organization government discipline maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 877, entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the judicial districts of the Commonwealth shall be numbered composed designated and shall each have the number of judges respectively as follows

The First District shall be composed of the City and County of Philadelphia and shall have fifteen judges learned in the law in the common pleas and five judges learned in the law in the orphans' court and such judges of the municipal court as now or may hereafter be provided by law

The Second District of the County of Lancaster and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Third District of the County of Northampton and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Fourth District of the County of Tioga and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifth District of the County of Allegheny and shall have twelve judges learned in the law in the common pleas and three judges learned in the law in the orphans' court and such judges of the county court as now or may hereafter be provided by law

The Sixth District of the County of Erie and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Seventh District of all the County of Bucks and shall have one judge learned in the lew

The Eighth District of the County of Northumberlan and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Ninth District of the County of Cumberland and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Tenth District of the County of Westmoreland and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Eleventh District of the County of Luzerne and shall have five judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twelfth District of the County of Dauphin and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Thirteenth District of the County of Greene and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fourteenth District of the County of Fayette and and shall have two judges learned in the law and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Fifteenth District of the County of Chester and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Sixteenth District of the County of Somerset and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Seventeenth District of the Counties of Union and Snyder and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Eighteenth District of the County of Clarion and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Nineteenth District of the County of York and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Twentieth District of the Counties of Huntingdon Bedford and Mifflin and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-first District of the County of Schuylkill and shall have three judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twenty-second District of the County of Wayne and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-third District of the County of Berks and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twenty-fourth District of the County of Blair and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-fifth District of the Counties of Cameron and Elk and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-sixth District of the Counties of Columbia and Montour and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-seventh District of the County of Washington and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Twenty-eighth District of the County of Venango and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-ninth District of the County of Lycoming and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirtieth District of the County of Crawford and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-first District of the County of Lehigh and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-second District of the County of Delaware and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Thirty-third District of the County of Armstrong and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-fourth District of the County of Susquehanna and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-fifth District of the County of Mercer and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-sixth District of the County of Beaver and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-seventh District of the Counties of Warren and Forest and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-eighth District of the County of Montgomery and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Thirty-ninth District of the County of Franklin and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fourtieth District of the County of Indiana and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-first District of the Counties of Juniata and Perry and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-second District of the County of Bradford and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-third District of the Counties of Monroe and Pike and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-fourth District of the Counties of Wyoming and Sullivan and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-fifth District of the County of Lackawanna and shall have three judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Forty-sixth District of the County of Clearfield and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-seventh District of the county of Cambria and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Forty-eighth District of the County of McKean and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-ninth District of the County of Centre and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fiftieth District of the County of Butler and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-first District of the Counties of Adams and Fulton and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-second District of the County of Lebanon and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-third District of the County of Lawrence and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-fourth District of the County of Jefferson and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-fifth District of the County of Potter and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-sixth District of the County of Carbon and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-seventh District of the County of Clinton and shall have one judge learned in the law

And in all cases where a county is or shall be attached to a contiquous district the qualified voters of said county shall be entitled to vote for the judge or judges

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 7, line 22, by striking out "all."
Amend section 1, page 7, line 24, by striking out "Northumberlan" and inserting in lieu thereof "Northumberland."

Amend section 1, page 10, line 23, by inserting "of" after "County."

Amend section 1, page 12, line 4, by striking out "contiquous" and inserting in lieu thereof "contiguous."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 The nomination of judges shall be made held and conducted and the returns of votes cast at primary elections for the nomination of judges shall be made computed canvassed and certified as now or may be hereafter provided by law

Section 3 Returns of votes cast in each county at the municipal election for all judges which the qualified electors of such county are entitled to elect of themselves unconnected with any other county or district shall be made out by the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of such county under direction of said court or of the judge person or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns in such county at its his or their meeting to receive and compute the returns of the preceding municipal election which said returns shall be properly attested by the seal of said court one of which returns shall be filed and entered in the office of the prothonotary of such court another of which returns such prothonotary shall enclose in a sealed envelope and direct and immediately mail to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and it shall be the duty of the prothonotary to deliver a copy of such return to each person elected judge at such municipal election

Section 4 In case of the election of a judge or judges in any judicial district composed of two or more counties or of a single county to which one or more counties is or are attached as provided by this act on the day of the sitting of the court or of the judge person or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns in each of such counties the prothonotary of the court of common pleas shall open and in its his or their presence shall make out a return of all votes cast at the preceding municipal election within each county for every person voted for as judge which shall be properly attested by the seal of said court and the said court or judge or person or persons receiving and computing returns shall thereupon appoint one of the judges of election in said county to take charge of such return and produce the same at a meeting of the judges so appointed in each of the counties comprising said district which meeting shall be held on the seventh day after the municipal election at the court house of one of the counties taking said counties alternately in alphabetical order

Section 5 The return judges from the several counties as aforesaid having met shall cast up the municipal election returns from the several counties and shall make copies of a general return of all votes cast at such municipal election in the district for such office of judge each of which they shall certify One of said copies they shall lodge in the office of the prothonotary of each county constituting such judicial district another they shall enclose seal and direct to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and they shall also deliver a copy of such return to each person elected as judge at such municipal election

Section 6 In the judicial district herein known as the fifty-seventh district composed of the County of Clinton a president judge learned in the law shall be elected at the municipal election of the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen whose term of office shall begin on the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and the president judge now in commission for said county shall continue to exercise his jurisdiction therein until the said first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen In all other judicial districts at the municipal election next preceding the expiration of the term of any judge now or hereafter commissioned the qualified electors of any county or counties composing such district shall elect a successor to such judge to serve as provided by law

Section 7 In all districts in which by the provisions of this act two or more judges are provided one of said judges shall be the president judge of said district and the other or others the additional law judge or judges thereof The judge of said district whose commission shall first expire shall be the president judge thereof except when the president judge has been or shall be re-elected in which case he shall continue to be president judge The said additional law judge or judges shall possess the same qualifications which are required by the Constitution and laws for the president judge of said district and shall hold his and their office for a like term and by the same tenure and shall have the same powers authority and jurisdiction and shall be subject to the same duties restrictions and penalties and shall receive the same compensation as the president judge of said district

Section 8 In all cases where by the provisions of this act a district heretofore consisting of more than one county is divided into two or more districts and in all cases in which counties are transferred from one district to another the judge now in office shall continue to serve until the expiration of his term of office as judge of the district which by this act is given the same number as that of the district in which the said judge has heretofore served and at the municipal election next preceding the expiration of the term of office of any any such judge the electors of the county or counties composing such district shall elect a judge to serve as provided by law

Section 9 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 354, as follows:

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes by topics of the existing general laws of this Commonwealth for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein fixing the compensation of the assistant director and making an appropriation therefor" fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein and making an appropriation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Legislative Reference Bureau is directed to continue the work commenced by it under the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes by topics of the existing general laws of this Commonwealth for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein fixing the compensation of the assistant director and making an appropriation therefor" and to report to the next session of the General Assembly the result of its labors and for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly such codes codification and compilations as shall have been completed by the Bureau

Section 2 The bureau is authorized to employ such experts learned in the law or otherwise and such clerical and stenographical help as the bureau may deem necessary in carrying out the provisions of this act

The printing and binding deemed necessary by the director in the proper performance of the duties herein imposed shall be done by the State Printer upon order of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding upon requisition of the director of the bureau

Section 3 To enable the bureau to continue said work the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the Dierctor of the Legislative Reference Bureau for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order.

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 43. as follows:

An Act to provide badges for the officers and enlisted men who served in the Army or Navy of the United States during the Spanish War and Philippine Insurrection and making an appropriation therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Adjutant General shall cause to be prepared and shall distribute to the officers and enlisted men who served in the army or navy of the United States during the Spanish War and Philippine Insurrection and who enlisted from the State of Pennsylvania in organizations as shown by the Adjutant General's report of 1898 and who were honorably discharged appropriate badges commemorative of their services and of the campaigns in said wars The size and style of such badges shall be determined by the Adjutant General If any such officer soldier or sailor be deceased the badge to which he would be entitled shall upon application be delivered to his proper legal representatives

Section 2 The sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) or so much thereof as may be needed is hereby appropriated to the Adjutant General for the purpose of this act out of money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 696, as follows:

An Act amending an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary' approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three' so that said bridges may be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without advertising for bids if done under the supervision of the county commissioners

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and twenty) entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary' approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three" which reads as follows as amended

"Section 2 Said county commissioners shall whenever it may be necessary to paint any of the county bridges and tighten the bolts thereof as required by section one of this act cause to be published at least once a week for four successive weeks in two newspapers of the proper county a list of such bridges stating their location and specifying the kind and quantity of paint to be used and asking for sealed bids for furnishing the material and doing the work upon each separate bridge which bids shall be opened on the first Monday following the close of said four weeks or as soon thereatfer as practicable and the contract for material and work upon each bridge shall be given to the lowest and best bidder" be amended so that the same shall read as follows

Section 2 Said county commissioners shall whenever it may be necessary to paint any county bridge and tighten the bolts thereof as required by section one of this act cause to be published once a week for four successive weeks in two newspapers of the proper county a list of such bridges stating their location and specifying the kind and quantity of paint to be used and asking for sealed bids for furnishing the material and doing the work upon each separate bridge which bids shall be opened as soon after the receipt thereof as practicable and the contract for material and work upon said bridge shall be given to the lowest and best bidder: Provided however That the county commissioners may cause said bridges to be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without said advertisement if they have the work done under their own supervision and for that purpose are authorized to purchase such equipment and material as may be necessary to do said work

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 879, entitled

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to townships, supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

The first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any burial ground is being neglected so as to become a nuisance even though said burial ground may occasionally be used for burial purposes the court of quarter sessions of the county in which such burial ground is situated may direct that such burial ground be placed in care of the township supervisor of the township under the direction and supervision of said court

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 That upon the petition of twenty-five or more citizens residing within a radius of five miles of any such burial ground to the court of quarter sessions the said court may order and direct the township supervisors of the township to cut down in the months of June and August of each year all brush grass briars and weeds growing in such burial ground and to remove the same and place such grounds in good order and condition

The cost thereof shall be paid out of the township treasurer

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. CANON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 2, line 7, by striking out "treasurer" and inserting in lieu thereof "treasury."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 Such burial grounds shall remain open to the public according to such regulations as may be made by the said court

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to township supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 86, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act relating to divorce"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the ninth day of May one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act relating to divorce" be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 854, entitled

An Act providing for the appointment of probation officers in certain counties fixing their powers, duties and salaries.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—126.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Baker,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Black,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stoffiet,
Burnett,	Helf,	Musser,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,

Crosby,	Jones,	Rich,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lauler,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Leary,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Showalter,	

NAYS—1.

Barner,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 735, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners, county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker I move that this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 738, entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads, improved and maintained by such counties, the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth, for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads, and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon, and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers, and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MURDOCH. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 449, as follows:

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is hereby made the duty of the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth and they are hereby authorized and empowered to keep the several county bridges within their respective counties in good condition and repair. All such work shall be done by contract or otherwise as shall seem to them expedient

Section 2 No contract shall be let for any such work until a proper resolution shall have been passed authorizing and directing the same All such contracts shall be let and entered into in the manner prescribed by law for the letting of county contracts

Section 3 The county commissioners shall have the authority when they deem it expedient so to do to cause such work to be done under the direction of the employes of such county having such work in charge and to that end to purchase such material and employ such labor as may be necessary

Section 4 The following acts or parts of acts to wit

Section four of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lewisville and Prospectville Turnpike Road Company in Montgomery County and relative to certain State roads in Allegheny and Washington Counties and in Luzerne Schuylkill and Columbia Counties and relating to the first United States Bank and Court of Quarter Sessions' approved April twenty-second one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to lateral railroads and county commissioners in Allegheny County to incorporate the New Castle and Enon Valley Plank Road Company in Lawrence County changing the word Beaver to that of Lawrence in a certain act approved the twenty-sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to the claim of Jacob Rheem and Daniel Beelman and to the estate of Mary Ann Taylor late of the City of Philadelphia deceased" approved the twelfth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and thirty-six)

Section six of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County'" approved the eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary" approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act requiring county commissioners to repair all county bridges and to pay the expense of such repairs out of the county treasury" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary' approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and twenty)

And all other acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments to this bill.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend the title, by striking out the word "several" and inesrting in lieu thereof the word "certain."

Amend section 1, line 5, by inserting after the word "Commonwealth" the following: "having a population of more than five hundred thousand inhabitants."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments as read? The Chair hears no objection and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill as amended lie over for printing.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 482, entitled

An Act to repeal an act ,entitled "An Act creating a Sinking Fund Commission in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants; prescribing its powers and duties and repealing acts inconsistent herewith," approved the first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—128.

Albee,	Fowler,	McKay,	Siggins,
Aston,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Geary,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Mervine,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Speicher,
Black,	Haight,	Miller, C. G.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Milner,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stern,
Burnett,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollern,	Neary,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Ogden,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Urich,
Cox,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dell,	Laucks,	Robertson,	West,
Dewey,	Leary,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Woodward,
Fitzgibbon,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 649, as follows:

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the Anthracite Coal Region and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the Chief of the Department of Mines is directed to have prepared and printed an edition of five thousand volumes of the report of the commission appointed pursuant to a joint resolution approved the twenty-fourth day of March one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "A Joint Resolution for the appointment of a commission by the Governor of this Commonwealth for the purpose of investigating and reporting upon both physical conditions and legal rights in the matter of surface support where anthracite coal has been removed or the right to remove said coal is vested in others than the owner of the surface and for the further purpose of suggesting new legislation relative to the same and making an appropriation to meet the expenses of said commission" and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

Section 2 The said publication is to contain a complete copy of said report including all photographs cuts and plates

Section 3 The necessary printing and binding shall be done by the State printer upon order of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding and upon requisition of the Chief of the Department of Mines.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—126.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Baker,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mehring,	Sones,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Mervine,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Golder,	Michel,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Milliron,	Stern,
Bovee,	Haight,	Milner,	Stoffiet,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Taylor,
Canon,	Helt,	Neary,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Urich,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Walker,
Corbin,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Wallace,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rich,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lanius,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Laucks,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drake,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Dunn,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Eby,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 384, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred ninety-four) entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" which reads as follows

"Section 1 That the salaries or compensation of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States census shall be as follows

"Clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace at the rate of eight thousand dollars per annum deputy clerk thirty-five hundred dollars per annum three court clerks each three thousand dollars per annum three assistant court clerks each (sixteen hundred) dollars per annum one record clerk fifteen hundred dollars per annum one license clerk one fee clerk one road clerk each fourteen hundred dollars per annum one search clerk two subpoena clerks one assistant license clerk one assistant road clerk three assistant record clerks one custodian of records five miscellaneous clerks and one stenographer at the rate of twelve hundred dollars each per annum one assistant custodian of records and a messenger each at one thousand dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws" is further amended to read as follows

Section 1 That the salaries or compensation of the clerk deputy clerk court clerks and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over as computed by the last preceding United States Census shall be as follows

Clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace at the rate of eight thousand dollars per annum deputy clerk thirty-five hundred dollars per annum three court clerks each three thousand dollars per annum three assistant court clerks each two thousand dollars per annum one record clerk fifteen hundred dollars per annum one license clerk one fee clerk one road clerk each fourteen hundred dollars per annum one search clerk two subpoena clerks one assistant license clerk one assistant road clerk three assistant record clerks one custodian of records five miscellaneous clerks and one stenographer at the rate of twelve hundred dollars each per annum one assistant custodian of records and a messenger each at one thousand dollars per annum Such salaries and compensation to be paid monthly by the treasurer of such county according to existing laws

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, this bill is probably misleading in its title and I wish to explain that it is not a general salary raiser as it affects only the salaries of three men At the last session of the Legislature the Chief Clerks of three courts of quarter sessions were raised to three thousand dollars and the Assistants Clerks to two thousand dollars. This is an increase of these three officials only, and that salary is paid out of the office fees and, therefore, is not a general salary raiser.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—131.

Albee,	Eby,	Maurer,	Sarig,
Aston,	Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Baker,	Erdman,	McCullough,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Siggins,
Barner,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Benchoff,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Beyer,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sones,
Black,	Geary,	Michel,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Graeff,	Milner,	Stern,
Burnett,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hecht,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Thomas,
Cook,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Urich,
Cox,	Hough,	Powell,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	West,
Davis, W.,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Jones,	Rich,	Wickman,
Dell,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Wood,
Donneley,	Leary,	Ross,	Woodward,
Drake,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Baldwin,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 170, entitled

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

BILL POSTPONED.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 951, as follows:

An Act amending section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners the county solicitor and the chief clerk to the county commissioners of each county to organize themselves into a state association for the purpose of holding annual meetings and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof" approved the tenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners the county solicitor and the chief clerk to the said commissioners of each county to organize themselves into a State association for the purpose of holding annual meetings and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof" approved the tenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 2 The actual expenses of the county commissioners county solicitor and chief clerk attending such meetings of said State Association including traveling expenses and hotel bills actually paid by them expenses of committees together with the necessary expenses of the convention including printing and the employment of stenographers shall be paid by the various counties by orders drawn on the county treasurer The time spent in attending said meetings shall not be more than four days exclusive of the time employed in traveling thereto and therefrom The expenses herein mentioned as the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than ten dollars to any county per annum" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows to wit

Section 2 The actual expenses of the county commissioners county solicitor and chief clerk attending such meetings of said State Association including traveling expenses and hotel bills actually paid by them expenses of committees together with the necessary expenses of the convention including printing and the employment of stenographers shall be paid by the various counties by orders drawn on the county treasurer The time spent in attending said meetings shall not be more than four days exclusive of the time employed in traveling thereto and therefrom The expenses herein mentioned as the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I would like the sponsor to explain the purpose of this bill.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, this bill is presented at the request of the County Commissioners' Association of the State. The County Commissioners' Association's Legislative Committee have prepared the bill and asked me to present it. The purpose of the bill is simply this, to permit each county to pay twenty-five dollars towards the expenses of the State Association, where the original law permitted them to pay ten dollars, raising the authority to pay twenty-five dollars instead of ten dollars.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—122.

Albee,	Erdman,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Franklin,	Michel,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Black,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stoffiet,
Coldsmith,	Hecht,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Cook,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Corbin,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cox,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Dale,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Davis, D. F.,	Howarth,	Rich,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Isherwood,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Jones,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dean,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	West,
Dell,	Leary,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shunk,	Speaker.

NAYS—2.

Canon,	Chestnut,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 905, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the qualified voters of every election district in boroughs and townships in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania wherein more than one election district is authorized and where but one assessor for valuation of taxable property resides in the borough or township having more than one election district shall on the third Tuesday of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two and annually thereafter elect a properly qualified person for assistant assessor in each of said election districts who shall perform all the duties relating to elections now required to be performed by assessors in boroughs and townships having but one election district

In case of a vacancy in said office the court of quarter sessions or any judge of the said court of the same county shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy

All acts and parts of act inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the qualified voters of every election district in boroughs and townships in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania wherein more than one election district is authorized and where but one assessor for valuation of taxable property resides in the borough or township having more than one election district shall at the next municipal election and every four years thereafter elect a properly qualified person for assistant assessor in each of said election districts who shall perform all the duties relating to elections now required to be performed by assessors in boroughs and townships having but one election district

In case of a vacancy in said office the court of quarter sessions or any judge of the said court of the same county shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, may we ask the sponsor of this bill for a word of explanation about the changes proposed?

Mr. SARIG. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, all that this bill calls for, all the change that it makes in the present law, is that it changes the term of the Registry Assessor from two to four years. It is really the same as the Real Estate Assessor with the exception of assessing real estate. In districts where there is only one voting precinct the real estate assessor does all the work and there is no registry assessor, but in districts where there is more than one voting precinct they have a separate assessor known as a registry assessor and this registry assessor just now has a term of only two years, whereas the real estate assessor and practically all the other township officials have a term of either four or six years, and this bill simply brings the term of the registry assessor in line with the idea of economy and efficiency.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—125.

Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baker,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Franklin,	Mehring,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Black,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodwin,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graeff,	Milner,	Stern,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Hough,	Powell,	Urich,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Walker,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Dale,	Jones,	Rich,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Leary,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shunk,	
Erdman,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the author of this bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from York, Mr. Spangler, desires to interrogate the gentleman from McKean, Mr. Fitzgibbon.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. FITZGIBBON. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 694, as follows:

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four) entitled "An Act providing for the original location laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of the Commonwealth and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads authorizing the relocation opening straightening widening extension and alteration of the same and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing for the taking of property for such improvement the compensation to be paid therefor and the payment of damages resulting from such taking and the manner in which such damages may be determined providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough and apportioning the cost of such improvement and authorizing the vacation of any county road" authorizing boroughs towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the proper authorities of any borough or township or any incorporated town of this

Commonwealth be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth providing that the said county commissioners shall construct an improved highway or highways under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement and the expense or cost of said construction shall be borne jointly by the said borough township or incorporated town and the said county in such ratio or proportions as may be agreed on in said contract or contracts

Section 2 Payment for the construction of said highway or highways as provided for in section one of this supplement shall be made by the county which shall be reimbursed by the said borough township or incorporated towns in such sums as agreed upon in said contract or contracts upon presentation to them from time to time of estimates and bills for work already performed and paid for under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement

Section 3 The several boroughs townships or incorporated towns in this Commonwealth who shall enter into a contract or contracts with the county commissioners of their respective counties for the joint construction of improved highways under the provisions of this supplement are hereby authorized to incur such indebtedness and issue interest bearing bonds therefor as may be necessary to pay their proper share of said cost of construction as agreed in said contract or contracts subject however to the constitutional limitations of such indebtedness

Section 4 Any highway constructed jointly under the provisions of this supplement shall be repaired and maintained at the expense of the proper county but nothing shall prevent the proper authorities of a borough township or incorporated town from entering into a contract or contracts with the county commissioners of the proper county for the maintenance of said improved highway under such terms and conditions as may be mutually satisfactory

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

BILL POSTPONED.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, by request of my colleague, Mr. McPeake, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 734, as follows:

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay-out widen and open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred ten) entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay-out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the board of township commissioners in townships of the first class shall have power to enact ordain survey lay-out widen straighten vacate and relay all roads streets lanes and alleys within the township upon the petition of any owner or owners of property through whose lands any such road street lane or alley shall pass or upon whose land the same shall abut if in the judgment of said board of commissioners the same shall be deemed proper and necessary for the public convenience or benefit and thereupon the said board shall give ten days' notice to the property owners affected thereby of the time and place when and where all parties interested may meet and be heard and witnesses may be summoned and examined by said board and said parties interested at said meeting or any adjournment thereof and after such hearing and consideration of the matter should the said board or a majority thereof decide in favor of granting the prayer of said petition they shall make written report together with a draft or survey of said road street lane or alley fixing the width thereof and noting the improvements along the line thereof together with the names of the owners of property through which the same shall pass or whereon it shall abut which report and draft shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county wherein said township is situate Provided however That any citizen or freeholder of said township may within thirty days after the filing of said report upon entering in said court sufficient surety to indemnify the said board for all costs incurred in the proceedings file in said court exceptions to the said report together with a petition for review in conformity with the now existing road laws of this Commonwealth" be amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the board of township commissioners in townships of the first class shall have power to enact ordain survey lay-out widen straighten vacate and relay all roads streets lanes and alleys and parts thereof within the township upon the petition of a majority in interest of the owners of property or properties through whose lands any such road street lane or alley shall pass or upon whose land the same shall abut if in the judgment of said board of commissioners the same shall be deemed proper and necessary for the public convenience or benefit and thereupon the said board shall give ten days' notice to the property owners affected thereby of the time and place when and where all parties interested may meet and be heard and witnesses may be summoned and examined by said board and said parties interested at said meeting or any adjournment thereof and after such hearing and consideration of the matter should the said board or a majority thereof decide in favor of granting the prayer of said petition they shall make written report together with a draft or survey of said road street lane or alley fixing the width thereof and noting the improvements along the line thereof together with the names of the owners of property through which the same shall pass or whereon it shall abut which report and draft shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county wherein said township is situate Provided however That any citizen or freeholder of said township may within thirty days after the filing of said report upon entering in said court sufficient surety to indemnify the said board for all costs incurred in the proceedings file in said court exceptions to the said report together with a petition for review in conformity with the now existing road laws of this Commonwealth

BILL POSTPONED.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present?

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 855, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise."

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—107.

Aston,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mervine,	Sones,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Spangler,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Milliron,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stofflet,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Swartz,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Burnett,	Helt,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Powell,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Corbin,	Jack,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Leary,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wood,
Donneley,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Showalter,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McKay,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Flynn,			

NAYS—1.

McVicar,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF THE PHILADELPHIA SAVING FUND SOCIETY.

The SPEAKER. The Chair presents the Report of the Philadelphia Saving Fund Society for the year 1915, which will be noted in the Journal of the House and printed in the Appendix of the Legislative Journal in accordance with the law.

(For Report see Appendix.)

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF THE PITTSBURGH DOLLAR SAVING FUND SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR 1915.

The SPEAKER. The Chair presents the Report of the Pittsburgh Dollar Saving Fund Society for the year 1915, which will be noted in the Journal of the House and printed in the Appendix of the Legislative Journal in accordance with the law.

(For Report see Appendix.)

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 52

An Act to enable city, county, poor, ward, school, borough, and township tax collectors, their executors and administrators if they are deceased, or either surety or sureties, if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes, to collect taxes, for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same, by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds, or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants, or by the expiration of their terms of office, and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

House Bill No. 104

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

House Bill No. 111

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

House Bill No. 134

An Act authorizing George C. Souder, of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County, to sue the Commonwealth.

House Bill No. 141

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

House Bill No. 270

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales," as amended; providing that personal potice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 12.10 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, March 26, at 9 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, March 26, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we are passing through the greatest crisis in our American history and our President has sent out a call to the various states of the Union for the assistance that will be needed to meet the demands of this particular occasion. We thank Thee that His Excellency, the Governor, responded immediately for the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, laying at the President's disposal the military and industrial equipment of this great state. We pray that Thy blessings may be with our President and his counsellors. We thank Thee for the restoration to health of our beloved Senator, W. H. Semmens, and that he is here among us again. We pray Thy blessings upon all of our Senators and their families. We ask this in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SPROUL, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITION PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE BILL NOW BEFORE THE SENATE ENABLING THE COUNCILS OF PHILADELPHIA TO PURCHASE FOODSTUFFS AND SELL THE SAME TO THE PEOPLE WITHOUT PROFIT TO THE CITY.

The Chair presented the following communication from the Investigating Committee of the Mayor's Food Commission of Philadelphia:

Philadelphia, Pa., March 24, 1917.

President of Senate,
Harrisburg, Pa.

At a meeting of the Investigating Committee of the Mayor's Food Commission, held this afternoon, it was unanimously resolved to urge upon the Senate of Pennsylvania and Governor Brumbaugh the absolute necessity for the immediate enactment of the bill now before the Senate enabling the councils of Philadelphia to purchase foodstuffs and sell the same to the people without profit to the city.

JAMES LENNAN,
Chairman.

Which was referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. McKEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Burke.

The CHAIR asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Venango, Mr. Phipps, on account of absence as a witness in the United States Court at Erie.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

VETO OF SENATE BILL NO. 5.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 5, entitled "An Act requiring counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand to establish a pension fund for the employes of such counties and providing for the administration of such fund and payments therefrom.' '

This Bill is to replace an act approved May 11, 1915, which act was represented to the Executive as meeting fully the requirements of the case in the county concerned. Until now the act seems to be doing well. This bill is so wide in its scope, and opens the way for such accidental admissions and withdrawal of beneficiaries as to make it inevitable that its provisions will in the near future impair the fund and defeat the essential good it seeks to accomplish.

This bill does not evidence any expert actuarial study of its fiscal plans and will not in my judgment give the nearly worthy beneficiaries the relief they should have. No pension system should hold any promise it cannot assuredly keep. Were the provisions so modified as to make it a practical and dependable service it would be approved.

For these reasons this bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, in the absence of the Senator from Allegheny, who introduced this bill, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

VETO OF SENATE BILL NO. 37.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith without my approval Senate Bill No. 37, entitled "An Act to amend section five of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred eighteen), entitled 'An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars' by excepting contracts for the repair building or re-building of any bridge or bridges that will cost less than five hundred dollars."

This bill makes it lawful for County Commissioners to enter into contracts for repairing, building, or re-building bridges without due advertisement when such work costs less than five hundred ($500) dollars. The act of July 24, 1913, gives this power to County Commissioners only when the cost is less than two hundred and fifty ($250) dollars.

The trend of all modern accounting of public monies and the expenditure of the same is unmistakably to a more detailed and more open treatment of public expenditures. The concensus of opinion is to let the people know. When over two hundred and fifty ($250) dollars of county funds is to be expended it is well that competitive bids be received and the people given full knowledge of the transaction. This can work no injustice, and can do no harm. The absence of such public treatment of the transaction might work harm. It is well to be on the safe side of the proposition. The law now works no hardship known to the Executive. It is in harmony with the best principles of popular government.

For these reasons this bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. W. P. GRAFF. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 10.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 22, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 6, entitled "An Act to further amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act to amend section first of the Act of Assembly approved the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act authorizing and empowering county controllers in counties containing a population of from three hundred thousand to one million to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of not less than eight hundred thousand nor more than one million four hundred thousand' approved the eighth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 10.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 22, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 10, entitled "An Act permitting counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appropriate and expend moneys for the improvement and maintenance of State highways and State-aid highways or any public highway in any county of the Commonwealth."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 194.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 22, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 194, entitled "An Act to provide for the discharge of the duties of any department of the State Government when by absence or incapacity the head of such department is unable to discharge such duties or during a vacancy in the office of the head of any such department."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 118.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 118, entitled "An Act providing for the location construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads anywhere within the several counties of this Commonwealth either wholly or partly within the territorial limits of cities boroughs and townships thereof authorizing the taking by the several counties of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation thereof and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the entry upon and appropriation by the several counties of highways streets and properties of cities and boroughs necessary for such improvements and for the supervision maintenance and control of said highways streets and properties by said counties after said entry and appropriation providing for the payment by the said several counties of the costs and expenses incurred and necessary in such construction operation and maintenance of such improvements providing for the contracting by the several counties with railway or transportation companies for the concurrent use of such public highways bridges tunnels subways and underground roads and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds by the several counties to provide a fund for said purposes."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations:

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, H. M. Spacht, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Monroe, County of Juniata, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure of person elected to qualify.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John L. Kimmel, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Quemahoning, County of Somerset, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Jonas Sipe who failed to qualify.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ALDERMAN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Lawrence B. Ashcom to be an Alderman in and for the Twentieth Ward of the City of Johnstown, County of Cambria, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice William Reynolds, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss E. M. Duncan, Pittsburgh, April 4, 1917.
Oscar Beilstein, Pittsburgh, April 10, 1917.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Goldie I. Noon, Johnstown, April 30, 1917.

CHESTER COUNTY.

William S. G. Cook, Coatesville, April 10, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Charles P. Ulmer, Philadelphia, April 1, 1917.
Mrs. Bessie M. Snovey, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
John Marsden, Philadelphia, April 29, 1917.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

O. G. Frazier, Donora, April 1, 1917.

YORK COUNTY.

Miss Gertrude C. Anstine, York, April 30, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 26, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Miss Anna R. Beatty, Pittsburgh.
J. H. Beckfield, Pittsburgh.
Miss Florence C. Bennett, Pittsburgh.
Jonathan Callander, Jr., Pittsburgh.

E. C. Chance, Pittsburgh.
Andrew Denes, Pittsburgh.
Robert M. Erskine, Pittsburgh.
Albert J. Halter, Pittsburgh.
Miss H. Heck, Pittsburgh.
Frank R. S. Kaplan, Pittsburgh.
W. M. McMillin, Pittsburgh.
A. F. Moelter, Pittsburgh.
E. Dexter Pool, Pittsburgh.
Andrew M. Schuler, Pittsburgh.
Miss M. Rose Seifert, Pittsburgh.
Charles E. Wooddy, Pittsburgh.
George F. Miller, N. Versailles Twp.
George M. Hugo, N. Versailles Twp.
D. B. Allison, Baldwin Twp.

BERKS COUNTY.

Miss Helen D. Jost, Reading.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

A. S. Buckley, Athens.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Harry A. Bauers, South Fork.
William J. Brendlinger, Conemaugh Twp.
Wilmer R. Sutter, Conemaugh Twp.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.

Job J. Conklin, Harrisburg.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Benjamin Johnson, Jr., Marcus Hook.

ERIE COUNTY.

Frank B. Quinn, Erie.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Harry M. Crawford, South Union Twp.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Albert Steck, Brockwayville.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Geo. W. Benedict, Scranton.
Samuel Moskovitz, Dickson City.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Edward R. Miller, Columbia.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Wm. Y. Cruikshank, Freeland.
Miss Frances F. Willis, Nanticoke.
George Treible, Hazle Twp.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Russell Y. Pullinger, Lower Merion Twp.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Leonard Walker Belz, Philadelphia.
Geo. A. Bumgarner, Philadelphia.
James J. Crosson, Philadelphia.
Angelo De Palma, Philadelphia.
Eugene A. Fite, Philadelphia.
Martin E. Hartley, Jr., Philadelphia.
Nelson P. W. Hill, Philadelphia.
Ephraim Lipschutz, Philadelphia.
Theodore Schneider, Jr., Philadelphia.

SNYDER COUNTY.

Philip M. Teats, Monroe Twp.

VENANGO COUNTY.

Geo. S. Hugus, Sugarcreek Twp.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

J. B. McClure, Donora.
Fred Sowash, West Brownsville.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. McCONNELL,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. McCONNELL,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,	
Hackett,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 770 (Senate Bill No. 641), entitled

An Act providing fees and mileage for witnesses attending coroners' inquests and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 843 (Senate Bill No. 642), entitled

An Act authorizing Edward Fay and Son, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 384 (Senate Bill No. 643), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of the clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace, of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand and over."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 482 (Senate Bill No. 644), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act creating a Sinking Fund Commission in any county now or hereafter containing not less than two hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants; prescribing its powers and duties and repealing acts inconsistent herewith," approved the first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 649 (Senate Bill No. 645), entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Mines to have prepared and printed the report of the Commission relative to surface support in the anthracite coal region and which report was made to the Governor and the General Assembly March first, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

House Bill No. 854 (Senate Bill No. 646), entitled

An Act providing for the appointment of probation officers in certain counties; fixing their powers, duties and salaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 855 (Senate Bill No. 647), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A Further Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 905 (Senate Bill No. 648), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

House Bill No. 951 (Senate Bill No. 649), entitled

An Act amending section 2 of an act entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the county commissioners, the county solicitor, and the chief clerk to the county commissioners, of each county, to organize themselves into a State Association, for the purpose of holding annual meetings, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof," approved the 10th day of May, Anno Domini 1913, by providing that the necessary expenses of the convention shall not be more than twenty-five dollars to any county per annum.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 104.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 16.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 16, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred thirty-one), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 49.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

An Act to authorize and require the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 106.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to validate all sales, public and private, and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators," approved the tenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 114.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 114, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 16, entitled

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 431), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tram-way toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold-air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

Senate Bill No. 106, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators" approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Senate Bill No. 114, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates' passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate" approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine.

House Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expi-

ration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act.

House Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes" and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department.

House Bill No. 111, entitled

An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon.

House Bill No. 134, entitled

An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster Lancaster County to sue the Commonwealth.

House Bill No. 141, entitled

An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto.

House Bill No. 270, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act relating to receiver's sales" as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 650, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to A. K. Cassel for services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. W. W. SMITH (by request of Mr. Salus) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 651, entitled

An Act to regulate the importation into the State of Pennsylvania of dependent, delinquent, or defective children and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 652, entitled

An Act to amend the first and second sections of "An Act to further amend an act approved April ninth, 1870, 'requiring railroad, canal, navigation and telegraph companies to make uniform reports to the Auditor General,' which act as amended by the act of April thirteenth, 1889, extended its provisions to telephone companies and conforming to the requirements of the Constitution provided for the filing of such reports with the Secretary of Internal Affairs, and regulated the time for the filing of the same, which said act is now further amended as to the time of forwarding blanks for such reports; and the provisions of said acts are extended to include all corporations owning or operating lines of railways, canals, transportations, telegraphs or telephones located in whole or in part in Pennsylvania," approved the 19th day of April, A. D. 1897, by changing the time of the forwarding of blanks and the filing and transmitting of annual reports.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. JENKINS (by request) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 653, entitled

An Act to prevent speculation and manipulation in food products by authorizing the seizure and resale of same under certain conditions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 654, entitled

An Act creating a State Board of Agriculture a Department of Agriculture and defining their relations, duties and authorities.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 655, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article 3, Section 6, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. HACKETT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 656, entitled

An Act making husband and wife competent witnesses to prove the fact of marriage.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate bill No. 657, entitled

An Act relating to the filing of mechanics' liens by sub-contractors; requiring certain notices and the filing of copies thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 658, entitled

An Act providing for the return of recognizances and transcripts of docket entries to the Court of Oyer and Terminer or Quarter Sessions by aldermen and justices of the peace within five days from the date of binding over any defendant; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BEALES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 659, entitled

An Act to provide for the pensioning of certain soldiers who served in the Erie Regiment or who volunteered in defense of this Commonwealth as emergency men at the time of the Civil War; conferring certain powers and duties on the Auditor General, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 660, entitled

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Cumberland and Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 661, entitled

An Act to establish as a State highway a certain section of public road in the County of Adams.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 662, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations; and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 663, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a

State Highway Commissioner, two deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriation to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. VARE (by request of Philadelphia "Public Ledger") read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 664, entitled

An Act making an appropriation toward the maintenance of a nautical school at the Port of Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 665, entitled

An Act providing that every advertisement and notice required by authority of law or rules of court to be published in any county in the Commonwealth or in any city coincident to the boundaries of a county, may in addition to the publication of such advertisements or notices required to be made in newspapers published and printed in the English language, in one or more daily newspapers printed in a foreign language or languages, such newspapers printed in a foreign language or languages to be printed in and have general circulation in the county or hte city coincident to the boundaries of said county for at least three years continuously before the publication of such advertisements or notices; and further providing for the prices to be charged for publishing such advertisements or notices in any such foreign newspapers; how often the same shall be published; and the stipulations and regulations under which the same shall be published.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. JONES (by request) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 666, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 667, entitled

An Act requiring all counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. SONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 668, entitled

An Act to provide for the establishment, erection, equipment and management of a Pennsylvania Home for Boys, and for the commitment thereto of delinquent boys, between the ages of six and eighteen years of age and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 669, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment in cities of the first class of a house or houses of detention for witnesses and untried prisoners, for the commitment of such prisoners and witnesses thereto and for the payment of the cost of establishing and maintaining the same by the county wherein said cities are situated.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 670, entitled

An Act to increase the powers of courts in proceedings for desertion and non-support of wives, children or aged parents, and in proceedings for failure to comply with orders of court in fornication and bastardy proceedings or other proceedings for the support of illegitimate children; directing that imprisonment in such cases be at hard labor in such institution as the court shall name; providing for the payment by such institution, or in certain cases by the county from which the defendant was committed, of the sum of sixty-five cents per day, to be paid to the person designated by order of the court; providing for the issuance of attachments and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeiture of bonds, bail bonds or recognizances; and providing for the payment by the county of the expenses incident to carrying out this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 671, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes, approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. WARNER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 672, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 14th day of May, 1915, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 673, entitled

An Act prescribing the methods for the ascertainment and payment of costs, damages and expenses incident to the construction of any sewer, sewer system or sewage disposal plants, pumping stations, or other incidental construction, and incident to the acquisition of sites therefor in townships of the first class, and conferring certain rights upon taxpayers in connection therewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 674, entitled

An Act requiring corporations, domestic or foreign, doing business in this Commonwealth to have certain information printed on their business papers and documents.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 675, entitled

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the 1st day of January, 1896, within or without the State of Pennsylvania, between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act, where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage, notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed, and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 676, entitled

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth providing for a review by the courts of common pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and the filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violation of the orders of the fire marshals.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 677, entitled

An Act conferring upon the county commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals, and to furnish necessary equipment, stationery and clerk hire therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 678, entitled

An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy and assistant fire marshals and to fix the salaries of the fire marshal and the deputies and assistant fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal have been established under existing laws.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 679, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor, prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 680, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the district attorney, in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, of a chief county detective, an assistant county detective, and special county detectives, defining their duties; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 681, entitled

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from five dollars per day to ten dollars per day.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. TOMPKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 682, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven of an act approved the 1st day of May, 1876, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish an insurance department,' approved the 4th day of April, 1873, providing for the incorporation and regulation of insurance companies, and relating to insurance agents and brokers and to foreign insurance companies."

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 683, entitled

An Act regulating public stables in which horses, afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drinking from public watering troughs; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 684, entitled

An Act relating to divorce and defining the conditions under which remarriage may be lawful by husband or wife after both separating and decree, a mensa et thoro, for a certain time and providing the procedure in and effect of the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 685, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section thirteen of article four of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 686, entitled

An Act prohibiting the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises owned, leased by or optioned to or held in trust for persons, firms, joint stock associations or corporations engaged in the brewing or sale of malt liquors or the distilling or sale of spirituous liquors or on premises owned, leased by or optioned to or held in trust for members of firms, or stockholders or officers of corporations or interest holders in or officers of joint stock associations engaged in the brewing or sale of malt liquors or the distilling or sale of spirituous liquors.

Which was committed to the Committee on Law and Order.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 687, entitled

An Act defining how and when borough and township auditors shall audit borough, township and school accounts; providing for the publication of the same in one or more newspapers of the county; and providing a penalty.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 688, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of county treasurers, in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards, for services rendered the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 119, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

RECONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 173.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 173, on first page of the calendar of March 20th, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing, of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth; and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, 1915 (P. L. 644).

was defeated.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I voted no.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I voted no.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 253, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgment and costs recovered in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County in the suit of Joseph Moore, James S. T. Moore, Annie M. Polk, Rebecca E. Swiggett, Mary E. Williams, Spencer C. Moore vs. Robert K. Young, Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the consideration of Senate Bill No. 19, on third reading postponed for the present, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree; repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

Mr. HINDMAN. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the third reading and consiedration of Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree; repealing inconsistent legislation and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title in line 1, by inserting after the word "degree" the word "and"; also in line 2, by striking out after the word "legislation" the following: "and providing that neither this act nor said repeal shall apply to any case in which it shall appear that said crime was committed prior to the date of the approval of this act"; also in section 1, line 6, by striking out after the word "imprisonment" the following: "by separate or solitary confinement"; also in section 2, line 10, by striking out after the word "repealed" the balance of the section.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The PRESIDENT. The Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Jenkins, will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, the calendar gives me the credit for being the sponsor of Senate Bill No. 263, a very excellent bill. I cannot claim that credit, it belongs to the Senator from Erie, Mr. Nason.

The PRESIDENT. The correction will be made upon the record.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 263, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties, boroughs, townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof," by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 264, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population."

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special, for the purpose of amendment, to be reported out to-night so that it may be on the calendar to-morrow.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 276, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee.		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 307 (House Bill No. 286), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch, deceased.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 308 (House Bill No. 324), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said department.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 310 (House Bill No. 366), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward I. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 314, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 11th day of April, 1913 (Pamphlet Laws 58), entitled "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof,' approved the 11th day of March, A. D. 1909; providing for the denaturing by kero-

sene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation," providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, co-partnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell, and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title on page 1, line 5, by striking out "oflering," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "offering;" also in line 12, by striking out "Dominin" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Domini;" also in line 17, by striking out "copartnerships assicaations" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "copartnership associations;" also in section 1, page 5, line 2, by striking out after the word "full" the word "years" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "year;" also page 6, line 15, by inserting after the word "upon" the word "payment."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 320, on third reading, entitled

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the ctiy treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred one.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 339, entitled

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes, school taxes, municipal claims and water rents in cities of first class.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 6, page 7, line 26, by striking out after the word "tax" the word "claim" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "claims;" also page 8, line 12, by striking out the word "claim," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "claims;" also in section 14, page 14, line 21, by inserting after the word "bid" the word "is;" also page 15, line 5, by striking out the word "seasons" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "reasons;" also in section 15, page 16, line 21, by striking out "dismsised" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "dismissed;" also in section 16, page 17, line 8, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of;" also in section 17, page 19, line 3, by inserting after the word "or" the word "the;" also in section 19, page 21, in line 27, by striking out the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or;" also in section 21, page 22, line 25, by striking out the word "rent" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "rents;" also in section 22 page 23, line 19, by inserting after the word "acts" where it appears the second time the word "had."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 350, on third reading, entitled

An Act relating to plumbing, house-drainage, sewers, and cesspools in cities of the third class and empowering the councils of said cities to prescribe by ordinance, rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction of plumbing, house drainage, sewers and cesspools the manner of doing said work, and the reconstruction and repair thereof; and authorizing council to fix the license fees for licensing of persons engaged in plumbing work and other fees in connection with plumbing.

be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Affairs for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to enlarge cemeteries.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title in line 2, by inserting after the word "to" the words "establish or."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

SPECIAL ORDER ON THIRD READING, MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 26, AT 10 O'CLOCK.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State police force as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I desire to ask unanimous consent to amend this bill. I do not have the amendment prepared because I want to give my reasons first and then I will send the amendment to the desk.

The PRESIDENT. Is there any objection to the Senator from Schuylkill proceeding at this time?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I object.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair hears objection.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, If the Senator objects I will be compelled to vote against the bill. If he lets me say what I would like to say I am convinced he will change his mind.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I have no objection to the Senator's explanation.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I have no objection to the State Police. When the bill was first presented in 1903, to establish the State Police, since my name was one of the last on the roll to be called, when the very life of the institution of this constabulary was threatened, or the institution of it was threatened, I voted in favor of the State Police. I have regularly, at every session, when there has been an attempt to improve the State Police, or

increase it, when I had opportunity, voted for the State Police. I submit to the Senate of Pennsylvania that I believe that the importance of the State Police will not be recognized to be stronger at any time than now, especially when the National Guard may be called away and be away from the State, or employed in other duties for a period of time, and when there may be disturbance throughout the Commonwealth, and they may be called upon to pacify whatever section in which they are needed and the strong hand is required to do so, I think it is important that the State Police should be continued and be increased. It is not my purpose to vote against this bill but I believe there is objection to the bill which will perhaps cause its defeat especially because of the increase of the salaries of the head officers. My objection is not a personal one. It is based upon the proposition that the salary of the chief officer, who is in charge of two hundred and forty men, who shall be paid under this bill six thousand dollars, the four captains shall be paid $2520, making in all $16,000, for the purpose of controlling three hundred and twenty men. The salary of the chief of the constabulary of $6,000 per year will be more than that of a major general of the United States army, who has charge of thirty thousand troops; it will be more than the salary of a brigadier general. In view of the fact, however, coming back to the major-generalship, I believe his salary with all his maintenance being furnished to him, is about $7,000, and he must be in the field continually day after day in charge of thirty thousand men. The Chief of the State Police lives in Philadelphia, he is not in charge every day, he does not give such service that the State should pay $6,000, in my opinion, and it does strike me that members of the Senate, men whose business it is to see that no extravagant salaries are paid nor encourage extravagant salaries in any department, should consider well before paying $6,000 to the head of a department that has but three hundred twenty men under his control, if this bill should become a law. The captains of the State Police, four of them, will get $2520. Now it does strike me that this is an extravagant and improvident salary for the services performed. I know the argument is made that the head of the constabulary is an efficient man. That is granted; there is no question about that; but the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, who has been in charge of the State Militia for a number of years, has rendered great service, and is here daily, gets no more, and it does seem to me there is no reason given, no cause assigned why this salary of the Chief of the Constabulary should be $6,000. Why it should be made at this time I do not know except that it may be considered an opportune moment to pass this bill, which could not be passed at any other time. Now I am not arguing against the protests which are filed against the State Police. They may be meritorious from some points of view, but from my point of view I cannot maintain them and will not try to maintain the opposition, but I do think the promoter and proposer of this bill should give it consideration and should agree that the salaries should be amended so that they shall be commensurate with the services rendered by the officers who command these State Police. You can readily reckon how much it would cost to govern each man at $16,000, 320 men to be supervised by four captains and one chief. But the argument is made that no one else could be found who is so efficient. I answer that by saying that if in this great crisis, when we are perhaps at the brink of war, if the head of this department should be called hence, the State of Pennsylvania would be in dire distress and therefore $6,000 would not take care of that. That is no argument why this head of the department should be paid this amount of money. I do not intend to vote against the bill. Rather than see it fall, I would vote for it. I do not know anything about the State Police. I might criticize them, and I believe justly, but I do not believe this is the time to do it, because the answer might be made there is a personal element connected with it, which I do not disavow, but I wish to say my objections are not based upon any personal element whatever, but are based entirely upon a sound business reason, that there is no call to pay a man $6,000 to command 320 State Police, who are already under the command of four captains, who are also to receive $2,500 for their services. The men who do the work, the private under this bill, his salary is increased $100. The salary of the officers is increased double. The salary of the private is increased one-eighth. It seems to me the discrimination is unjust and unfair and I ask the promoter of this bill, so that it may be saved, because I will submit that the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, the element of that position, has a great deal more to do with the passage of this bill than the merits of it, and I trust that we shall not be subject to having the State Police embarrassed, particularly at this time, because some one is unwise enough to try to impose upon the Commonwealth high salaried officers, when there are other officers in this Commonwealth who are giving just as much service and perhaps greater service, at all the time through the year, who are not paid half that salary, and I ask this Senate to consider the proposition to have this bill go back to the committee for the purpose of amendment, or to have the bill amended now, so that we can save the bill from defeat, which I believe it will meet when it comes to be voted upon.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, while I do not understand that there is anything directly before the Senate, inasmuch as the Senator from Schuylkill has seen fit to state his views upon this bill, I shall endeavor to reply to some of them. It seems to me highly inconsistent for the Senator from Schuylkill, who at one election was elected to two offices ——

The PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Schuylkill desire to offer amendments at this time?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President I do. I want to write them out, and I will listen to the Senator from Bucks, Mr. Buckman.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, as I was about to say, the Senator from Schuylkill was at one election elected to two offices, one of them a member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, the other the Auditor General of Pennsylvania. His salary as a member of the Senate of Pennsylvania is $1,500; his salary as the Auditor General of Pennsylvania is, on its face, $8,000, but in addition to being the Auditor General he is also a member of the Department of Agriculture, a member of the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings, a member of the Military Board, a member of the Sinking Fund Commission, a member of the Board of Health Commissioners, a member of the Board of Public Accounts, a member of the Economy and Effiicency Commission, receiving from those different offices $9,800 per annum and having under his control less than—I am quite safe in saying less—than one-half of the men that will be under the superintendent of the State Police. The superintendent of State Police, created in 1905 and ever since that time, has been receiving a salary of but $3,000 per annum; in 1911 the salaries of the entire police force, consisting of officers and enlisted men, was increased thirty-three and one-third per cent. The Superintendent of Police at that time, in order to save the passage of the bill and not to hinder the enlisted men from receiving an increased salary, withdrew his own amendment by which he would have been receiving a similar percentage of increase of salary and ever since that time he has been receiving but $3,000 per year. Had he received at that time the one-third increase the other men received, he would have been receiving $4,000 per year for the past six years, and this very bill, by increasing the force fifty per cent., raising the number of enlisted men from approximately 200 to 300, it is but fair that he should receive fifty per cent. increase, which, if he had been given $4,000, would now make $6,000. I submit to the Senate, and that seems to be the only question of attack by the Senator from Schuylkill, that this salary is eminently fair, particularly so in view of the great responsibility which devolves upon the Superintendent of this magnificent force. While I do not understand that there has been any amendment offered I hope that if one is offered it will be voted down at this time.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I owe an apology to the Senate perhaps for this delay, but the bill was called before I had the amendment prepared and I regret that I am not in a condition of health to reply to the Senator as I ought to. I wish to say this, since reference has been made to the salary of the Auditor General and the State Senator: It is true the Auditor General's salary was cre-

ated before I had anything to do with it or it might not have been so much; and secondly, the salary of the State Senator never was enough, because a State Senator should not only have more salary, but let me say another thing to the Senator to my left, a Senator should be considered with much more respect than he receives, not only by the head of this department and his deputy, but many other departments and in answer to the Senator permit me to say that he has not given any reason why the salary of the man who only has in charge 320 men should be $6,000. The Auditor General controls and supervises thirty-six or thirty-eight million dollars' expenditures of the State per year and a State Senator votes upon things that are of great importance to this Commonwealth. I do not want to say anything in derogation of the State Police nor its head, that is not my purpose, but I do say it is too much money to pay to the head of the State Police. It is embarrassing to the State and it will paralyze—and I say that advisedly—other departments of government, because there is only one reason why this salary is to be made now and that is because there is a powerful element in the State Senate desires it, not because there is an appeal, and no other chairman in the Senate could put it across, if it is put across, but the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations.

The amendments were read as follows:

Amend Section 1, lines 9 and 10, by striking out the words and figures "six thousand dollars ($6,000) per annum" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "four thousand five hundred dollars ($4,500) per annum;" also in Section 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out the words and figures "three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500) per annum" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) per annum;" also on page 2, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words and figures "twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "two thousand dollars ($2,000) per annum."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I object.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair hears objection.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

It was agreed to.

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Beales,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Semmens,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Smith, W. W.,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Sones,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,		

NAYS—11.

Craig,	Kline,	McKee,	Stewart,
Graff, J. F.,	Leiby,	Nason,	Whitten,
Hackett,	McConnell.	Schantz.	

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 360, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five, section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to abolish the office of associate judge not learned in the law

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 361 (House Bill No. 319), on third reading, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriate to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspector of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act to refund to The Sanitary Casket Protector Company of Berks County, money erroneously paid as tax on capital stock.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 384 (House Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania, heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs; making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same and for paper.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 385 (House Bill No. 120), entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 389 (House Bill No. 3), entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I have the honor to represent the eighth district of Pennsylvania, in which is situated the Frandford Arsenal, one of the largest Federal institutions in this State. This bill gives the National Government permission to purchase additional ground there, on which to erect buildings for the finishing, manufacture and preparation of munitions of war. It is absolutely necessary that the State of Pennsylvania gives this permission before the National Government can take title, but I have a few notes here which may help the passage of this measure. Personally I do not think there is any doubt about its passage but when you take into consideration that there has been an appropriation of $125,000 for the ground, and $750,000 for the erection of buildings, it means where there are at present employed three thousand people an additional two thousand. There has been authorized an appropriation of $10,000,000 for the manufacture of small munitions, which means work for these people for an additional four years. I feel we are entitled to ask the vote of every man in this Senate. I trust this measure will receive it.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363) on third reading, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 396 (House Bill No. 420) on third reading entitled

A Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment and prescribing a Commission of centennial affairs to aid in celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of the borough of Butler, Butler County, and making an appropriation.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 399 (House Bill No. 618, as follows:

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the waters of Lake Erie within the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth is hereby closed for a period of five years to the catching of or fishing for sturgeon Such five year period shall commence to run from the time of the adoption or passage of the last rule order resolution or statute by the Province and States hereinafter designated

Section 2 No person shall catch or fish for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth during the closed season provided by the preceding section of this act

Section 3 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in a summary proceeding before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall be sentenced for each offense to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100.00) or to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding one year or both.

All fines imposed under this section shall be paid to such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace and by such officer immediately sent to the Commissioner of Fisheries at Harrisburg together with a statement of the prosecution in which the fine was imposed and for which statement such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace is allowed the sum of fifty cents. All moneys arising from such fines shall immediately on its receipt be paid by the Commissioner of Fisheries into the State Treasury

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

Section 5 The provisions of this act shall not become effective until a rule order or regulation shall be adopted by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada and a statute shall be passed by each of the states of New York and Ohio which rule order regulation

or statutes shall prescribe a similar closed season under penalty for catching or fishing for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie respectively under the jurisdiction of the said Province of Ontario and the states of New York and Ohio

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 400 (House Bill No. 724) as follows:

An Act to authorize councils of the cities of this Commonwealth to authorize the purchase of food products to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds of said sale

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for councils of cities of this Commonwealth to authorize in a manner prescribed by councils the purchase of food products and the sale thereof to residents of said cities in such manner as said councils may direct

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 470 entitled

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg, Mississippi, for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in June and July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee, to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park October sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the preamble, page 2, line 23, by inserting after the word "served" the words "to such veterans;" also page 2, line 27, by striking out "seeventeen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "seventeen;" also section 1, page 3, line 6, by striking out the word "hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Hundredth."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendments were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 474, entitled

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for conference.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 489 entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title, page 1, line 8, by striking out after the word "construction" the word "to" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of".

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 490, entitled

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,			Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 491, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 505, entitled

An Act directing the Commission appointed under the act of April twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a Commission of three persons, learned in the law, to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates, and making an appropriation," to publish preliminary drafts of bills prepared by said Commission codifying the law of decedents' estates; providing for the distribution thereof; and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 515, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 532, entitled

An Act to amend section one of article three of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 533, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring boards or commissioners having charge of public grounds and parks in cities of the first class to set aside in certain cases lands suitable for the erection of a stadium.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), entitled

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), as follows:

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first Monday of January nineteen hundred and eighteen the fee for jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings or upon any proceedings or by virtue of any writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth directing an inquest or requiring the services of jurors the fee for the services performed by said jurors shall be the sum of five dollars and fifty cents for each and every session at which said juror shall be in attendance

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title, in line 3, by inserting after the word "thousand" the words "and not more than one million four hundred thousand"; also in section 1, line 7, by inserting after the word "thousand" the words "and not more than one million four hundred thousand."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill as amended.

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the consideration of Senate Bill No. 397 (House Bill No. 432), on third reading postponed for the present, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WEAVER. Mr. President, this comes on me rather suddenly, and I am not absolutely certain that this is the bill to which my attention has been called several times by a number of publishers of Westmoreland County. Does this bill provide for the publication in legal journals in counties having over 150,000?

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, for the information of the Senator from Westmoreland, I will say that the bill does provide that in counties of over 150,000 people that by a special order of court all legal advertising shall be inserted in the legal publication. I understand that this is true in most counties by order of court anyhow, but this is simply to legalize it.

Mr. WEAVER. Mr. President, we have this situation in Westmoreland County at the present time: I think at the last census our population was something over 231,000. Some time ago there was an effort made to have not only the judge of the orphans' court but the judges of the common pleas and quarter sessions to make an order enforcing publication in a law journal which we have in that place in the Borough of Greensburg. Under the rule of the judge of the orphans' court the publication is made, but the judges of the common pleas court have refused to make an order of that kind and gave their reasons for doing so. I have received protests from almost all the newspapers in Westmoreland County protesting against this for the reason that they feel it will be absolutely inimical to their interests. Of course there is a provision in the bill that it might be dispensed with by special order of court, but that puts the attorney in this position, that he is bound to ask the court in every particular case to make the rule dispensing with the publication in that particular case, and this becomes exceedingly troublesome under these circumstances. I would like very much to vote for this bill if it were not for that fact, and had I not received so many protests from my friends among the publishers.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, to enlighten the Senator further, I am the publisher of two daily papers, and I do not see anything inimical to my interests in the passage of this bill. If the court is opposed to the including of the law journal in the list of publications required, the people who have advertising of that class do not have to put it in the law journal. It requires an order of the court just the same.

Mr. WEAVER. Mr. President, I do not understand that one general order will dispense with the necessity for publication. If I were satisfied of that, I know the Judges of the Court of Common pleas in our county would promptly do it. I am fearful that a special order would have to be made in every particular case, but that would be a nuisance to the attorneys, to say nothing of the court.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—33.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McKee,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,		

NAYS—2.

Tompkins, Weaver,

A majorty of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORT OF AUDITOR GENERAL CALLED FOR BY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communication in writing from the Auditor General of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

The Officers and Members of the General Assembly:

In response to the concurrent resolution of March 20th, 1917.

There are no items in the accounts of the Auditor General's Department which fail to balance.

The receipts from sums appropriated to the Department, exactly balance the expenditures therefrom and the cash in hand.

Assuming, however, that by the "Accounts of the Auditor General" is meant the "Accounts of the Commonwealth" which the Auditor General is required to keep, I answer that the accounts of the Commonwealth from the first Tuesday of May, 1913, to date, show no items which fail to balance; providing the various departments, officers, etc., have in their hands the cash balance with which they are charged on our books. And each and all of them are bonded to more than the balance charged.

The State Treasurer is the officer charged with the handling of the cash of the Commonwealth.

The receipts and the disbursements of the Commonwealth, and the State Treasurer's affidavit of the cash on deposit in the various State depositories also balance exactly.

At the beginning of the business on Tuesday, May 6th, 1913, the State Treasurer was charged on the books of the Commonwealth with having in his hands cash in the total sum of $8,930,424 45

At the close of business on February 28, 1917, the books of the Commonwealth as kept by this Department charged the State Treasurer with having received from May 6, 1913, to February 28, 1917, ...	$134,200,817 51	
The books of the Commonwealth on the said February 28, 1917, credited the State Treasurer with having paid out over his signature, between said dates		$135,909,016 55
He was therefore chargeable upon the books of the Commonwealth as kept by the Auditor General's Department, with the difference, or balance, ...		7,222,225 41
	$143,131,241 96	$143,131,241 96
And as his sworn statement of moneys on deposit in the various State depositories as of date of February 28, 1917, showed the same figure, he was charged with that amount as a cash balance for the beginning of the month of March	$7,222,225 41	

The Auditor General's office has never, since the first Tuesday of May, 1913, been permitted to close, nor the bookkeepers to leave the cage unless a balance was struck. The rule is, "balance or stay," and when a balance is struck in the Auditor General's office, it is the duty of the State Treasurer and all other Departments, Bureaus and Commissions of the State Government, to balance therewith.

Because certain unknowing and, at present, irresponsible people have not realized this was the condition of the accounts of the Commonwealth, the General Assembly, both by its General and Appropriation Laws, provided that the Auditor General might choose, and the Auditor General has chosen, and still chooses to prove that fact by the audit and certificate of disinterested, responsible and reputable firms of Certified Public Accountants.

The appropriation of $25,000.00 made in the General Appropriation Act of 1915 for the payment of extra clerks, etc., showed a balance unexpended on February 28, 1917, of $4,073.14 and the expenditures had been vouched in detail, approved by the State Treasurer and paid by him.

The Deficiency Appropriation, $25,000.00, carried in the General Deficiency Bill of 1917, was not approved until March 8th, 1917, and no expenditures have been made therefrom for the compensation of expert accountants to this date.

As to the other matters, I have the honor to assure the General Assembly that the books of the Department are open and the vouchers are on file subject to examination by any responsible citizen of the Commonwealth and especially by any member of the General Assembly, in accordance with my tender laid upon the desk of each member at the opening of this session. They will remain open until the first day of May, 1917, at 12 o'clock, noon, at which time I shall turn them over to my successor duly elected by the people of the Commonwealth, accompanied by the certificates of two responsible audit companies as to their condition.

If in any further way I may be able to serve the General Assembly, or any member thereof, as a representative of the people of his district, I shall be glad to do so. And I specifically reserve the right to present the certificate of the said Certified Public Accountants to the General Assembly and further answer the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. POWELL,
Auditor General.

State of Pennsylvania,
County of Dauphin, ss:

Before me, the undersigned, personally came H. L. Brindle, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

That he is the Chief Bookkeeper in the Auditor General's Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and has been continuously employed as a bookkeeper in said Department for about ten years last past.

That at the beginning of business May 6th, 1913, the State Treasurer, was chargeable with a balance in cash of $8,930,424.45.

That the books of the Department from May 6th, 1913, to February 28th, 1917, charge the State Treasurer with duly countersigned receipts in the sum of $134,200,817.51, or a total charge of $143,131,241.96.

That the books of the Department credit the State Treasurer with payments duly made in the sum of $135,909,016.55. The books therefore showed him chargeable with a balance as of the close of business February 28th, 1917, in the sum of $7,222,225.41.

That the affidavit of the Treasurer as to moneys on deposit in the various banks as of the date of February 28, 1917, showed the same figure, and the Treasurer was therefore charged with that sum as a balance at the beginning of business on March 1st, 1917.

H. L. BRINDLE.

Sworn and subscribed before me this twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

ELWIN C. DEWEY.
Notary Public.

My Commission Expires March 25th, 1921.
(SEAL)

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOR SPREADING OF REPORT OF AUDITOR GENERAL ON JOURNALS OF SENATE AND HOUSE.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution in connection with the report just read, at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

In the Senate, March 26, 1917.

Resolved (if the House concur), That the reply of the Auditor General of Pennsylvania to the joint resolution of March 20, 1917, requiring of him certain information relative to the accounts of the Commonwealth and the adminisration of his Department, which said reply is as follows:

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The books of the Commonwealth on the said February 28, 1917, credited the State Treasurer with having paid out over his signature, between said date, ...		$135,909,016 55
He was therefore chargeable upon the books of the Commonwealth as kept by the Auditor General's Department,		

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If in any further way I may be able to serve the General Assembly, or any member thereof, as a representative of the people of his district, I shall be glad to do so. And I specifically reserve the right to present the certificate of the said Certified Public Accountants to the General Assembly and further answer the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
A. W. POWELL,
Auditor General.

be spread upon the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I would like to have one thing in my mind settled. As I understand the reading of the report of the Auditor General there is still $4,000 of the $25,000 contingent fund left as a balance in the State Treasury to the credit of the Auditor General. There is also remaining untouched the $25,000 of the deficiency fund appropriated by the House and Senate within the last ten days. If I am not correct, I would like to be corrected.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I do not see why any money in connection with the month of March applies to this report in any way. This report covers the period from the time the Auditor General took office until the 28th of February last, the last time the books were balanced. Therefore the question the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, asked is irrelevant to this report.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I would ask whether my information is correct, whether there is a balance in the hands of the Auditor General in these two funds.

The report of the Auditor General was read by the Clerk a second time.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend the resolution by referring the report to the Committee on Appropriations and printed copies be furnished to the members of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare, accept the amendment?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, the reason for having this spread on the records is this: When we passed that resolution, requesting this report from the Auditor General, that resolution that we passed goes on the statute books. The Auditor General, no matter who he is or what he is, if he is on the level, at least is entitled to have this go on the records, so that people can see that when he was asked for a report he furnished it. He certainly is entitled to have this go on the record. I therefore do not accept the amendment.

The PRESIDENT. The amendment offered by the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre, does not appear to be seconded.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I am rather in the dark as to the purport of this second resolution. If it is for the purpose of certifying by the action of this chamber our acquiescence in the management of the Auditor General's office at this particular time, then I would like to have that fully explained to this Senate, because, if I am going to place a certificate of character upon the Auditor General's report, which is in such an indefinite form as to its conclusions, I would like to know if that is the purport of this particular resolution.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, that is not the purport of this resolution. The original resolution was printed on the statute books by reason of it passing this Senate and the House, and this is simply a report from the Auditor General in answer to the former resolution and this resolution is for the purpose of having printed the Auditor General's report. There certainly can be no harm in that; that does not harm anybody. When we ask for a report and the Auditor General makes it, then it certainly ought to go on the record. That is all. It does not say the office is right or it does not say it is wrong. It just says what the Auditor General's report is. That certainly could not harm the state or anyone in the state.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, if the resolution is for the mere spreading of the report on the record I will vote for the resolution.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for conference.

PRINTING OF REPORT OF AUDITOR GENERAL.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the report be referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and that one hundred copies of the report be printed and placed on the desk of every member of the Senate.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair desires to inform the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre, that under the resolution which has just been adopted, the report will be spread at length in the Legislative Journal, so that every member will have it before him for his information.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion,

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, it will be in much more concrete form if it is prnited in pamphlet form and put on the desks of the Senators.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 190.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced returned to the Senate, Senate Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

with information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 191.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of

manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt, roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bids to be considered in commitee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 109, entitled

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth; requiring non-residents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth; providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any person residing outside of this Commonwealth to hunt for wild birds or wild animals of any kind found in the fields in the forests or on the waters of this Commonwealth with firearms or with a device of any kind propelling with force a leaden or metal pellett or bullet or through the use of traps or except in the defense of person or property to shoot at or kill or pursue with intent to take kill or wound any such wild birds or wild animals thus found within this Commonwealth without first securing a license to so do in accordance with the provisions of this act

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 Every non-resident of this Commonwealth except as otherwise provided by the laws of this Commonwealth such person being a citizen of the United States upon application made verbally or in writing to any county treasurer or to the secretary of the Game Commission at Harrisburg and the presentation of proof that he is a citizen of the United States and the payment of ten dollars to said county treasurer or secretary of the Game Commission shall be entitled to what is herein designated as a "Non-Resident Hunter's License" and a tag with the number of the license thereon and said license and tag shall not be transferable

For services rendered in issuing such license and tag each county treasurer shall be entitled to retain five per centum of all license fees received and shall at least once a month forward to the State Treasurer for purposes hereinafter designated all balences from such fees in his hands and shall at the end of each week forward to the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners at Harrisburg a statement upon a form provided for such purpose by the Game Commission giving the names of the parties receiving non-resident licenses during that week together with their place of residence their age as stated in the license and the number of such licenses issued to them

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 26, by striking out after the word "their" the word "place" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "places"; also line 27 by striking out the word "age" before the word "as," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ages;" also by striking out after the word "the" where it first appears the word "license" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "licenses;" also by striking out after the word "the" where it appears the second time the word "number" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "numbers."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third and fourth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 3 Said license shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the Board of Game Commissioners at the cost of the Commonwealth and shall bear a description of the person applying for the same with the date of its issue and shall authorize the person named therein to use legal fire-arms or traps for the purpose of hunting and killing any of the wild animals or birds either game or otherwise of this Commonwealth under the restrictions and requirements of existing laws during that year the date of which is inscribed thereon Said certificate shall become void upon the thirty-first day of December next following the date of issue The Game Commission shall also furnish free of charge and the county treasurer shall issue with each license a tag bearing the license number in figures at least one inch in height which tag such licensee shall at all times while either hunting or going to or coming from such hunt have attached to his outer garment either at the back of the sleeve between the shoulder and elbow or on his back where the figures thereon can be readily seen

Section 4 Possession of a gun or the setting or control of a trap of any kind in the fields or in the forests or on the waters or on the highways of this Commonwealth by non-residents of this Commonwealth without having secured the license required by this act duly issued in his or her name shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of its provisions and shall render such person liable to display his license tag as aforesaid and to show his non-resident hunter's license to any officer of this Commonwealth whose duty it is to protect the game and wild birds of the Commonwealth or upon demand by the owner or the lessee or by the employe or representatives of such owner or lessee upon whose lands such person may be found in this Commonwealth and for failure to display the license tag as provided for by this act or for refusing or neglecting to comply with such request such person neglecting or refusing to display his license tag as aforesaid and exhibit his non-resident hunter's license or in any manner violating any provision of this section shall be liable to the penalties imposed by this act for hunting without a license

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 Jurisdiction for summary conviction for violation of any of the provisions of this act is hereby specifically given to all aldermen magistrates and justices of the peace

Any person who shall be convicted summarily by any alderman magistrate or justice of the peace of the county of a violation of any of the provisions of this act shall be sentenced to pay a penalty as follows

If the defendant has violated any of the provisions of this act but has not killed or captured any game or wild animal nor resisted arrest nor refused to go with the arresting officer nor interfered with the arresting officer the fine shall be twenty-five dollars for each offense and each day he may have so hunted contrary to the provisions of this act shall be considered a separate offense

In addition to the foregoing fine the defendant shall pay a penalty as follows

If the defendant has killed or wounded an elk the penalty shall be two hundred dollars with six months imprisonment If he has shot at an elk but has not wounded or injured same the fine shall be one hundred dollars

If the defendant has killed or wounded or attempted to kill or wound a deer the fine shall be one hundred dollars

If the defendant has killed or wounded or attempted to kill or wound a bear the fine shall be fifty dollars

If the defendant has killed or wounded or attempted to kill or wound a game bird of any kind the fine shall be twenty-five dollars

If the defendant has resisted arrest for violation of the provisions of this act or has refused to go with the officer making the arrest or has in any manner interferred with the arresting officer the fine shall be one hundred dollars

In default of payment of the fine the defendant shall be sentenced to imprisonment at the rate of one day for each dollar of the fine and costs

Either the prosecutor or defendant being dissatisfied with the finding of the magistrate justice of the peace or alderman in a trial for a violation of any provision of this act shall be entitled to an appeal under the provisions of section fourteen of article five of the Constitution and of the laws of Pennsylvania relating thereto

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, page 4, line 20, by striking out "os" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "as."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth, seventh and eighth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 6 If the prosecutor is a paid game protector the fine shall be paid to the prosecutor who shall forward it to the Secretary of the Game Commission who shall pay it into the State Treasury for the use of the Game Commission as hereinafter provided

Section 7 If the prosecutor is other than a paid game protector one-half of the fine shall go to the prosecutor and shall be paid to him by the alderman magistrate or justice receiving the same The remaining half of the fine shall be forwarded by said alderman magistrate or justice of the

peace wthin ten days to the secretary of the Game Commission who shall deposit it into the State Treasury for purposes hereinafter designated

Section 8 Any person charged with the violation of any of the provisions of this act may in his discretion sign an acknowledgement of the offense committed and pay to the duly authorized game protector or deputy game protector the proper fine in full with costs to date He shall receive for money so paid a printed receipt which shall in all instances bear the seal of the Board of Game Commissioners and the signature of the secretary of the board This receipt shall be evidence of a full satisfaction for the offense so committed

The ninth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 9 Any person whose duty it is to protect the game of the Commonwealth or any officer whose duty it is to preserve the peace of the Commonwealth may arrest without warrant any person caught in the act of violating any provisions of this act or in pursuit immediately following such violation and may seize all guns shooting paraphernalia traps dogs boats decoys or other appliances used in violation of any provision of this act and may seize all birds or animals game or otherwise found either in possession or under control of the suspected person within this Commonwealth All guns traps boats decoys dogs game and shooting paraphernalia seized when such arrest is made shall be held subject to the determination of the proceedings instituted Where the party accused is convicted all game seized shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth and as soon as may be shall be forwarded to the most convenient hospital or to a hospital designated by the secretary of the Game Commission for the use of the sick or injured therein

All birds and animals or parts thereof not classed as game in this Commonwealth thus seized shall be held subject to the order of the Board of Game Commissioners

Unless the fine and costs are paid all such seized guns traps boats decoys dogs and shooting paraphernalia shall be sold at public auction after advertising the same for five days by at least five public handbills conspicuously posted in the city borough or township wherein the conviction was secured The sale shall be held by and under the authority of the Game Commission The cost of such advertising shall be part of the costs of prosecution and shall be collected as such Any fund thus arising shall be applied first to the payment of the costs of prosecution then to the payment of the fine imposed The remainder if any shall be returned to the owner of the property seized

Where guns traps game dogs boats decoys or shooting paraphernalia of any description shall be seized and the owner thereof escapes arrest and refuses to present himself and make claim to the property all such game after the lapse of three days after the seizure shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth and shall be sent to the most convenient hospital for the purpose before indicated in this section All guns traps dogs boats decoys and other shooting paraphernalia thus seized shall be held for a period of ten days after which time if the owner thereof fail to appear and defend himself against the charges made such property shall be sold in the manner prescribed for the sale of seized property after conviction The fund arising from such sale shall be applied as in the case of the sale after conviction

The fact that imprisonment is suffered by any person convicted of violating any provisions of this act shall not prevent the sale of guns dogs boats decoys or other shooting paraphernalia of any description held as the property of the imprisoned party and the application of the fund thus realized to the payment of the costs and the fine imposed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 9, page 7, line 22, by striking out "parapherpalia" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "paraphernalia;" also page 8, line 15, by striking out the word "fail" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fails."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

On the question.

It was agreed to.

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The tenth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 10 All license fees and all fines collected for violation of any of the provisions of this act shall be paid to the State Treasurer as hereinbefore designated who shall keep the moneys thus collected as a fund separate and apart solely for the purpose of wild bird and game protection and for the purchase and propagation of game under the supervision of the Board of Game Commissioners The several purposes to which the fund shall be applied shall be clearly designated by act of Assembly

The eleventh section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 11 An act entitled "An Act requiring non-resident hunters to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its provisions and repealing an act approved the twenty-fourth day of April one thousand nine hundred and one" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight) is hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 11, page 9, line 8, by inserting after the word "hunters" the following: "and unnaturalized foreign born resident hunters."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth; requiring non-residents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth; providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 121, entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same, and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a reward or bounty shall be paid by this Commonwealth for the killing within the Commonwealth only of the following noxious animals For each Canada or Bay lynx commonly called bobcat or wild-cat the sum of ten dollars for each fox the sum of two dollars for each weasel the sum of one dollar and fifty cents and for each mink the sum of one dollar

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 It shall be the duty of any person who having killed within this Commonwealth one or more of the animals named in section one of this act and being desirous of securing the reward or bounty named for such killing as fixed by section one of this act to produce such slain animal or animals or the entire pelt thereof before any game protector or special deputy game protector or any other person authorized to administer oaths within this Commonwealth and to make affidavit that he or some member of his family naming such person killing the same naming it stating clearly the approximate time of such killing that it was killed in a wild state that the place where such animal was killed naming it was within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that such animal was not reared in captivity

Upon the production of such animal or pelt before any person authorized to take affidavits under the provisions of this act such official shall prepare his statement in accordance with the provisions of this and such official shall include in one affidavit all claims for bounty that may be made by one person at one time not to exceed five and shall excepting in the case of a salaried game protector receive in full for services rendered a fee of twenty-five cents where but one animal is named in such affidavit Where more than one animal is named in one affidavit the fee shall be fifty cents such fee in all cases to be paid by the claimant for bounty The affidavit shall preferably be made upon forms to be provided by the Board of Game Commissioners on demand made by any person authorized to take affidavits within this Commonwealth and all affidavits of this character shall in all cases clearly set forth the name of the animal killed for which a bounty is claimed the name of the person killing same the approximate time when such animal was killed that it was killed in a wild state giving as nearly as possible the name of the place and county within this Commonwealth where same was killed and that such animal was not reared in captivity Upon the completion of such affidavit and the payment of the fee as above stated the game protector or other person administering the oath shall deliver said affidavit and skin or pelt brought before him to the claimant

for bounty who shall as soon as may be forward such affidavit and the skin or pelt of the animal or animals for the killing of which a bounty is claimed and named in such affidavit to the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners at Harrisburg

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 11, by striking out after the word "person" the word "killing" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "killed"; also page 3, line 11, by inserting after the word "this" the word "act."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 3 Upon the receipt of such affidavit and skins or pelts in proper form the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners being satisfied that the skins or pelt presented to him are the skins or pelts of animals for the killing of which a bounty is offered by this act and that such claims are in all respects legitimate shall as quickly as may be forward his check to the claimant for the amount found to be due and shall return all such skins or pelts at the expense of the bounty fund to such address as the owner may direct and shall at least once a month render an accounting to the Auditor General in such form as he may prescribe of all claims paid giving the name and address of the payee the number of the check given and the amount so paid

For the purposes of this authority the secretary of the game commission is hereby empowered to make requisition upon the fund in the State Treasury designated by law as the bounty fund and to secure through a warrant of the Auditor General such an amount monthly from such fund as may be considered necessary to meet the demands that may be made for bounty during the succeeding month The bond of the secretary of the game commission shall be in such an amount as to cover the amount of cash in his hands at any time

Section 4 The Auditor General upon presentation to him of the requisition of the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners shall draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer against the fund hereinafter designated received from the hunters' license fees fines penalties and other laws of this Commonwealth as set out in the third section of this act of Assembly and hereinafter designated "fund for the payment of bounties"

Section 5 Pursuant to section twelve of the act of April seventeen one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five) providing for the licensing of hunters which provides "It being specifically provided that fifty per centum of any fund returned to the State through or because of the provisions of this act or so much of said fifty per centum as may be needed shall be applied by the Legislature at its biennial sessions to the payment of bounties" one-half of the said sum hereafter received from all hunters' license fees fines and penalties under the provisions of this act of Assembly and all other fines and penalties set apart under any other laws of this Commonwealth for the payment of bounties are hereby directed to be placed by the State Treasurer in a separate and special fund to be designated and known as "fund for the payment of bounties" and all of the moneys placed in said fund are declared to be available as soon as paid into the State Treasury and are hereby specifically appropriated for the payment of the bounties as provided by this act and the Auditor General shall charge against the said fund all the warrants drawn by him for the payments of bounties and the State Treasurer is directed to pay out of said fund all of the warrants so drawn by the Auditor General in favor of the Secretary of the game commission Provided That the office expenses clerk hire postage et cetera necessary to the performance of the extra duties imposed by this act upon the Board of Game Commissioners shall be a charge against the fund created by this act and shall be paid upon requisition of the secretary of said board and in the same form and manner as requisitions for bounty are paid Provided further That any moneys so placed in this fund and not needed under the provisions of this act shall be used solely for the purpose of wild bird and game protection under the supervision of the Board of Game Commissioners to be appropriated by the Legislature in the same manner as other moneys held separate and apart for such use.

Section 6 The game protectors and special deputy game protectors of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby authorized and empowered to administer the oath necessary to the proving of the claims made as provided by section two of this act but no charge for administering such oath is to be made by any salaried game protector

The seventh section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 7 It shall be unlawful for any person at any time to claim or to receive a bounty for the killing of any animal named in this act the front of the face of which is split before presentation to the persons authorized to take affidavits under the provisions of this act or to at any time collect or attempt to collect a second bounty for the killing of any animal under the provisions of this act or to collect or attempt to collect such bounty through the presentation of the skin or carcass or any part thereof of on animal not named in this act or through deception of any character or to present for the purpose of securing the bounty provided for by this act the skin or carcass or any part thereof of an animal that has been reared in captivity or the skin or carcass or any part thereof of any animal killed or captured outside of this Commonwealth Every person who shall wilfully or fraudulently collect or attempt to collect any reward or bounty provided for by this act to which he or they are not legally entitled under the provisions of this act or shall aid or abet or assist in any capacity official or otherwise in an attempt to defraud the State through the collection or payment of any reward or bounty provided for by this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall in addition to the penalty that may be imposed for perjury where a false affidavit is made be sentenced to pay to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or more than five hundred dollars or in default of the payment thereof with costs shall suffer an imprisonment in the common jail of the county in which the affidavit is made for a period of one day in jail for each dollar of fine imposed and unpaid

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 7, page 7, line 22, by striking out after the word "for" the word "by".

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The eighth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 8 An Act entitled "An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing a method for the payment of the same and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions here" approved the fifteen day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twenty-six) is hereby repealed

The repeal of the aforesaid act of Assembly shall not affect any prosecutions pending at the date this act becomes effective nor prevent the institution of any prosecutions for violation of any provisions of the aforesaid act committed prior to the date this act becomes effective but all such pending prosecutions shall be terminated and all such violations shall be prosecuted in the same manner and under the same authority and with like effect as prior to the date this act becomes effective

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 8, page 8, line 10, by striking out "destrction" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "destruction."

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The ninth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 9 The provisions of this act shall be effective on and after the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and not prior to that date

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same, and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act relating to borough officers employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions" extending the same to apply to cities of the third class

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-two) entitled "An Act relating to borough officers employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall not be lawful for any burgess or member of council of any borough or any officer agent or employee thereof to be in any way interested either directly or indirectly in any contract for the sale of furnishing of any supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of such borough or to receive any reward or gratuity from any person interested in such contract or sale nor shall any such burgess member of council officer agent or employee of any borough be a member of any partnership or a stockholder or officer of any corporation or an agent or employee of any individual partnership or corporation in any way interested in any contract for the sale or furnishing of any supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of or any work to be done for such borough and any person violating these provisions or any of them shall forfeit his office or appointment in such borough and also shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars" it hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That is shall not be lawful for any burgess mayor or member of council of any borough or city of the third class or any officer agent or employee thereof to be in any way interested either directly or indirectly in any contract for the sale or furnishing of supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of such borough or city of the third class or to receive any reward or gratuity from any person interested in such contract or sale nor shall any such burgess mayor member of council officer agent or employee of any borough or city of the third class be a member of any partnership or a stockholder or officer of any corporation or an agent or employee of any individual partnership or corporation in any way interested in any contract for the sale or furnishing of any supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of or any work to be done for such borough or city of the third class and any person violating these provisions or any of them shall forfeit his office or appointment in such borough or city of the third class and also shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 4, by striking out the word "an" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "any"; also in line 5, by striking out after the word "sale" the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or".

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An act relating to borough officers, employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions," extending the same to apply to cities of the third class.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 330, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth by adding thereto sections four and five.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvenia in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof

Amend article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto the following sections to be known respectively as sections four and five

Section 4 Each city of the third class and each borough shall be subject to this Constitution and the general laws enacted by the legislature for the government of the state at large applicable in terms and in effect to the entire state have full power to regulate matters relating to its property affairs and government to exercise full powers of local self-government and to that end shall have power to draft adopt and amend laws relating to the local affairs and property of the city or borough the powers duties qualifications appointment number terms of office compensation and method of removal of all officers and employes whose compensation is paid directly or indirectly out of the city or borough treasury the transaction of its business the incurring of its obligation the presentation ascertainment and discharge of claims against it the acquisition care management and use of its streets its property and its public utilities and the government and regulation of the conduct of its inhabitants and the protection of their property safety health comfort and general welfare Such local laws and amendments thereto shall be known as "Local Municipal Laws" The powers hereby conferred shall be liberally construed and no enumeration of powers contained in this Constitution or in any law shall be deemed to limit or restrict the general grant of powers hereby conferred

Section 5 Local municipal laws shall be drafted in such manner as the legislature shall by general law direct Every local municipal law shall be submitted to the electors of the city of the third class or borough for adoption after publication for a period and in a manner to be prescribed by such general law but no such period shall be less than three months Every local municipal law so adopted shall supercede and repeal so far as the city or borough adopting it is concerned all inconsistent provisions of any law other than general laws enacted by the legislature for the government of the state at large and applying in terms and in effect to the entire state A local municipal law may delegate to officers or an official body of the city or borough power to regulate by ordinance resolution or by-law any matter which may be the subject of a local municipal law The legislature shall at its next regular session after the adoption of this Constitution provide by general law for carrying into effect the provisions of this section

Until the legislature shall by law provide for carrying into effect the provisions of this section the mayor of any city of the third class or burgess of any borough shall have power to appoint commissioners for the purpose of drafting such local municipal laws and such local municipal laws so drafted shall after notice by publication in such manner as the mayor or burgess shall direct for a period of not less than three months be submitted to the electors of the city or borough for adoption at a special election held at a time to be specified in such notice All provisions of law regulating the holding of general elections the qualifications of voters and the taking and counting of a vote shall apply to elections to be held under this provisions

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 3, line 1, by striking out "privisions" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "provisions"; also in line 24, by striking out the word "provisions" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "provision."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth by adding thereto sections four and five.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 381, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke Luzerne County Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke Luzerne County Pennsylvania to cover the deficiency in the maintenance account and for bills and obligations incurred and contracts entered into up to June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 500, as follows:

An Act permitting the release on parole of insane persons committed to the institutions of this Commonwealth and regulating such release and the appointment of parole officers

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when any insane person has heretofore been or shall hereafter be committed to any institution of this Commonwealth and in the opinion of the Superintendent of the Board of Trustees of said institution and Committee on Lunacy of the State Board of Charities said person has entirely recovered his mental faculties so that he may be safely released from custody the court by which the said person was committed shall have authority upon the recommendation of the superintendent of said institution the board of trustees thereof and the Committee on Lunacy of the State Board of Charities to release said person from custody upon parole under such terms as said court may direct

Section 2 Each Board of Trustees of said institution shall have the right to appoint one or more officers to be known as parole officers for their respective institutions who shall carefully look after the welfare of all persons who have been paroled from said institutions and report to the said boards respectively upon the conduct of such persons at such times and in such manner as may be required by said board provided that no such person shall ever be under the charge or management or supervision of a parole officer of the opposite sex the salary of said parole officers to be fixed by the board and together with the expenses actually incurred by them in the discharge of their duties to be paid out of the appropriation for maintenance of the institution with which they are connected

Section 3 The court in releasing from custody an inmate of said institutions may parole said person into the custody of said parole officers or such other persons as in its discretion may seem proper

Section 4 The words "insane persons" as used in this act shall be construed to include criminal insane or insane criminals

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 502, as follows:

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth to certify the proceedings upon which commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any insane person has been or shall be committed to an institution of this Commonwealth it shall be the duty of the court to certify to the superintendent of the institution to which said person is committed all of the proceedings including the papers on file and the testimony if any taken upon which said commitment was made and the reasons for said commitment

Section 2 That upon the transfer of any such person from one institution to another the superintendent of the institution from which said patient is being transferred shall deliver with said insane person to the superintendent of the institution to which he is beng transferred a copy of all papers and testimony on file with the superintendent of the institution from which said transfer is being made

Section 3 The words "insane person" as used in this act shall be construed to mean all kinds of indigent insane persons including criminal insane and insane criminals

And said bill having been read at length the third time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 503, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relating to the fees salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County' approved April Sixth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one" approved the sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act relating to the fees salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County approved April sixth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one" approved the sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and eight) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 513 entitled

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants; creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the powers and duties of said office.

The first, second and third sections of the bill were read as follow and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in each county having a population of more than one hundred thirty-five thousand inhabitants and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants the county taxes shall be collected by a receiver of taxes

Section 2 Upon the passage of this act the county commissioners of the respective counties shall appoint a receiver of taxes for such county to hold office until the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred eighteen or until his successor is elected and has qualified At the municipal election in the year one thousand nine hundred nineteen and quadrennially thereafter the qualified electors of each such counties shall elect a qualified elector of the county as receiver of taxes to serve for a term of four years from the first Monday of January next succeeding his election or until his successor is elected and has qualified Any vacancy in the office shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term

Section 3 The receiver of taxes shall before he enters upon the duties of his office take and subscribe the oath required by section one article seven of the Constitution and file the same in the office of the recorder of deeds He shall before he assumes the duties of his office enter into a bond to the Commonwealth in an amount to be fixed by the county commissioners The condition of the bond shall be that the receiver of taxes shall pay over or account for according to law the whole amount of taxes charged in the duplicates delivered to him during his term of office The bond shall be presented to the court of quarter sessions for approval and if approved shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 4 The receiver of taxes shall receive an annual salary of three thousand six hundred dollars to be paid monthly by the county treasurer The receiver of taxes may appoint two deputies at an annual salary not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars each and not exceeding two clerks at an annual salary not to exceed twelve hundred dollars each The deputies shall possess all the powers with regard to the collection of county taxes hereinafter conferred upon the receiver of taxes

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 4, page 2, line 25, by striking out "salray" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "salary."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 The receiver of taxes in such counties shall have an office at the court house which shall be open each day for the receipt of taxes The county commissioners shall furnish the receiver of taxes with books of numbered receipts blank forms of notices and all postage and supplies which may be necessary for the proper conduct of his office

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, page 3, line 5, by striking out after the word "the" where it occurs the first time the word "receipts" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "receipt."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 6 When the yearly or triennial assessments for county purposes in any city borough town or township of any such county have been made and revised and all appeals therefrom have been heard and finally determined the county commissioners shall issue a duplicate of all county taxes including taxes upon unseated lands levied in any such district to the receiver of taxes with their warrant attached The warrant shall be effectual for the collection of taxes within said city borough town or township for a period of two years The commissioners shall issue separate duplicates for each city borough town or township and taxes in any particular district shall become due and payable as soon the the duplicate is delivered to the receiver of taxes

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 6, page 3, line 22, by striking out after the word "soon" the word "the" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "as."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth thirteenth fourteenth fifteenth sixteenth seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 7 The county commissioners shall at the time of the delivery of any duplicate to the receiver of taxes certify the amount of such duplicate to the county treasurer who shall charge the receiver of taxes with the amount thereof

Section 8 Upon the delivery of any duplicate the receiver of taxes shall proceed to collect the taxes levied in such duplicate and shall within thirty days after such delivery notify each taxable whose name appears on the duplicate The notice shall state (a) the valuation of the property of the taxable (b) the rate of taxation (c) the valuation of the occupation of the taxable (d) the full amount of taxes for which the taxable is liable (e) a statement that the taxes are due and payable (f) a place within the district and time when payment can be made (g) a statement of the time during which an abatement will be allowed (h) when the full amount of tax will be collected and (i) when an additional percentage will be added as a penalty The notice shall be mailed to the last known postoffice address of each taxable

Section 9 All persons making payment of county taxes charged against them within ninety days from the date of the notice as provided in section six shall be entitled to a reduction of five per centum from the amount thereof Persons failing to make payment of their taxes within six months after the date of the notice shall be charged five per centum additional on the taxes charged against them which shall be added thereto by the receiver of taxes and be collected by him

Section 10 The receiver shall furnish each taxable on the payment of his county taxes with a receipt setting out the date of payment the name of the taxpayer the amount of each particular tax and the name of the district and shall also make up the stub in the book corresponding to the receipt a memorandum containing the same date as the receipt The stubs of all such receipts shall be kept in the office of the receiver of taxes and be open to public inspection

Section 11 The receiver shall attend at least two days in each city borough town and township for the purpose of receiving taxes One of the days on which the receiver of taxes attends in a district shall be during the time in which a rebate is allowed and the other day shall be before the penalty attaches

Section 12 The receiver of taxes shall make monthly returns to the county commissioners showing the amounts collected during the preceding month and the amount of uncollected taxes upon the respective duplicates The receiver of taxes shall at the time of making any return to the county commissioners pay over to the county treasurer all the taxes collected during the preceding month and the county treasurer shall credit the receiver of taxes with the amount so paid over

Section 13 The county commissioners shall allow to the receiver of taxes such abatements and exonerations as to them shall appear just and reasonable The county commissioners shall cause to be entered in a book kept for that purpose the names of the persons to whom an abatement or exoneration was allowed the reason for each abatement and exoneration the amount thereof and the date when made The county commissioners shall give to the receiver of taxes a certificate directed to the county treasurer stating the nature of the tax and the amount abated or exonerated and the county treasurer shall credit the receiver of taxes with the amount of such abatement or exoneration

Section 14 If any person shall neglect or refuse to make payment of the amount due by him for any county tax within thirty days from the date of the notice as provided in section eight the taxes of such person shall become delinquent and the receiver may levy the amount of such taxes by distress of the goods and chattels of such person and after ten days' public notice by written or printed advertisement the receiver of taxes may sell the goods and chattels of such delinquent

Section 15 Every tenant of lands and tenements shall be liable to pay all taxes which during his possession or occupany may become due and payable thereon The goods and chattels of any such tenant shall be liable to distress and sale as provided in section fourteen of this act for any such taxes remaining unpaid Having paid any taxes the tenant may by an action of assumpsit or otherwise recover from his landlord the amount paid or at his election may defalcate the amount thereof in payment of rent due to such landlord unless such defalcation or recovery would impair any contract or agreement between the landlord and tenant previously made

Section 16 In case goods and chattels sufficient to satisfy the amount of the tax due by any taxable cannot be found upon the premises of the taxable the receiver of taxes may take the body of the delinquent taxable and convey him to the jail of the county there to remain until the amount of such tax together with the costs shall be paid or secured to be paid or until he shall be otherwise discharged by due process of law The receiver of taxes shall not imprison any female or minor or person found by a judicial proceeding to be of unsound mind

Section 17 The personal representative of any deceased receiver of taxes may enforce the collection of unpaid taxes in the same manner as the receiver could if living and may employ a suitable person to act for them in the execution of the warrant with all the powers possessed by the deceased receiver of taxes

Section 18 The receiver of taxes shall on or before the last day of the year in which any taxes are levied make return to the county commissioners and county treasurer of all seated and unseated lands for which the tax has not been paid and upon which personal property cannot be found sufficient to pay such taxes The receiver of taxes shall add to the amount of the tax returned against such property a penalty of five pen centum

Section 19 The receiver of taxes shall make a complete settlement of all taxes upon his duplicates with the county treasurer not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office On making such settlement the receiver shall make oath or affirmation that he has made a true and just return of all moneys by him collected for county taxes The oath or affirmation shall be administered by the county treasurer and shall be filed in the office of the county commissioners

The twentieth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 20 A receiver of taxes who converts any money collected for county taxes to his own use or who uses by way of investment any money so collected at the times and places required by this act to the person authorized to receive the same is guilty of embezzlement and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to imprisonment not exceeding five years or to pay a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or both

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 20, page 8, line 5, by inserting after the word "collected" the words "or refuses to pay the same over."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 21 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants; creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the powers and duties of said office.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 525, as follows:

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act entitled "A supplement to an act approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County' " approved the eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section twelve of an act entitled "A supplement to act act approved the first day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County' " approved the eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and twenty-seven) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 534, as follows:

An Act to repeal sections one two four five six seven eight ten eleven thirteen fourteen fifteen and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act relating to the fees salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County" approved the sixth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections one two four five six seven eight ten eleven thirteen fourteen fifteen and sixteen of an act entitled "An Act relating to the fees salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County" approved the sixth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and seventy-six) be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 534, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for further consideration.

Mr. J. FRANK GRAFF. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 535, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies" approved the twenty-ninth day of January Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies" approved the twenty-ninth day of January Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three (Pamphlet Laws twelve) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 536, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County" approved the twelfth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County" approved the twelfth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and fifty-five) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 537, as follows:

An Act to repeal sections one two three and four of the act entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas oyer and terminer and the general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace and orphans court in the County of Allegheny and regulating proceedings therein" approved the twenty-second day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections one two three and four of the act entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas oyer and terminer and general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace and orphans court in the County of Allegheny and regulating proceedings therein" approved the twenty-second day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and ninety-seven) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 538, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County and regulating compensation" approved the fifth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County and regulating compensation" approved the fifth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred twenty-one) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 540, as follows:

An Act for the protection of the public health by regulating the possession control receipt administering prescribing dispensing sale delivering and giving away of certain drugs and keeping records thereof by regulating the administering dispensing prescribing and delivery of certain drugs to habitual users of said drugs and regulating the treatment and cure of said habitual users of said drugs by providing for the revocation of the licenses of physicians dentists veterinarians pharmacists and registered nurses for drug addiction and for violating the provisions of this act and otherwise fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the term "drugs" as used in this act shall be construed to designate (a) opium or cocoa leaves or any compound manufacture sale derivative or preparation thereof or any preparation containing any compound salt or derivative of opium or cocoa leaves but shall not be construed to apply to (b) preparations that do not contain more than two grains of opium or more than one-fourth of a grain of morphine or more than one-eighth of a grain of heroin or more than one grain of codiene or any salt or derivative of any of them in one fluid ounce if the same is liquid or if a solid or semi-solid preparation in one avoirdupois ounce and shall not be construed to apply to (c) plasters liniments ointments and other preparations compounded solely and actually sold given away dispensed or possessed in good faith for external use only and not for the purpose of evading the intentions and provisions of this act unless said plasters liniments ointments and other preparations contain cocaine or any of its salts or alpha or beta eucaine or any of their salts or any synthetic substitute for cocaine eucaine or their salts and shall not be construed to apply to (d) decocainized coca leaves or preparations made therefrom or to other preparations of coca leaves which do not contain cocaine

Section 2 The word "person" as used in this act shall be construed to designate and include an individual co-partnership association or corporation The masculine gender shall be construed to include the feminine and neuter gender

Section 3 Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to apply to the sale delivery dispensing or giving away of said drugs in the due course of their lawful duties employment business or profession to or the receipt possession or control of said drugs in the due course of their lawful duties employment business or profession by manufacturing pharmacists chemits wholesale or retail pharmacists or druggists importers or exporters of drugs hospital colleges scientific or public institutions duly licensed physicians duly licensed dentists duly licensed veterinarians public officials warehouse men common carriers registered nurses under the supervision of a duly licensed physician or persons in the employ of the persons mentioned in this section

Section 4 No physician shall prescribe administer dispense deliver or give away any of said drugs to or for the use of a habitual or constant user of any of said drugs or to or for the use of a habitual addict to the use of the same for the purpose of treating said person for or curing said person of said addiction of habit or for the purpose of satisfying the craving of said person for said drugs outside of a hospital sanatorium medical or public institution in which said person is confined No person shall receive possess have administerer to his person or prescribed for him any of said drugs in violation of the provisions of this section

Section 5 No person shall use take or administer to his person or cause to be administered to his person or administer to any other person or cause to be administered to any other person any of the aforesaid drugs except under the advice and direction and with the consent of a regularly practicing and duly licensed physician or dentist

Section 6 No person shall receive have in his possession or under his control deliver sell distribute give away or otherwise dispense any of said drugs intended for use or calculated to be used in violation of section five of this act The receipt sale possession control delivery giving away or dispensing of any of aforesaid drugs shall be presumptive and prima facie evidence of the violation of this section

Section 7 No physician or dentist shall administer or furnish to or prescribe for the use of any habitual user of said drugs or any person addicted to the use of said drugs or any person not under his treatment in the regular practice of his profession any of said drugs Provided however That this section shall not be construed to prevent or prohibit any duly licensed practicing physician or dentist from administering or furnishing to or prescribing for the use of in good faith any habitual user of said drugs such substances as said physician or dentist may deem necessary for his treatment when such administering or furnishing or prescribing is not done for the purpose of evading the provisions of this act

Section 8 No physician dentist or veterinarian shall administer dispense give away deliver or prescribe any of said drugs except after a physical examination of the person or animal for whom said drugs are intended said examination to be made at the time said prescription is issued or at the time said drug is administered dispensed given away or delivered by said physician dentist or veterinarian

Section 9 No person doing business in which drugs medicines or poisons are retailed or physicians' prescriptions are composed or dispensed shall sell deliver or dispense any of said drugs except in pursuance of and without first receiving from the person to whom said drug is sold or delivered or dispensed a written prescription issued and signed by a physician or dentist or veterinarian Such prescription shall be dated as of the day on which signed and issued by said physician dentist or veterinarian Such prescription shall be retained by the person who fills or dispenses he same shall be stamped by said persons with the date same is filed or dispensed shall be filled but once and shall not be filled more than two days after the date thereof Such prescription shall be kept by the person filling or dispensing the same in a separate file or book and shall be preserved for a period of two years in such a way that it will be readily accessible to inspection by the proper authorities Provided however That nothing contained in this section shall be construed to apply to the sale delivery or dispensing of said drugs to the persons enumerated in section three of his act

Section 10 Any license heretofore issued to any physician dentist veterinarian pharmacist or registered nurse may be revoked by the proper officers or boards having power to issue licenses to any or the foregoing upon proof that the licensee is addicted to the use of any of said drugs after giving such licensee reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard

Section 11 Whenever any physician dentist veterinarian pharmacist or registered nurse is convicted in a court having jurisdiction of any of the violations of this act any officer or board having power to issue licenses to any such physician veterinarian pharmacist or registered nurse may after giving such licensee reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard revoke the same

Section 12 Any person who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five years or both at the discretion of the court If the violation is by a corporation co-partnership or association the officers and directors of such corporation or the members of such copartnerships or association their agents and employes with guilty knowledge of the fact shall also be deemed guilty of a violation of the provisions of this act to the same extent as though said violation were committed by them personally

Section 13 In any prosecution under this act it shall not be necessary to negative any of the exemptions of this act in any complaint information or indictment The burden of proving any exemption under this act shall be upon the defendant

Section 14 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

Section 15 This act shall take effect sixty days after the date of its final passage ..

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 541, as follows:

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio in Allegheny County to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and to regulate the compensation therefor" approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio in Allegheny County to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and to regulate the compensation therefor" approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and seventy-one) be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 545 (House Bill No. 177), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section thirty-five of the act approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" which reads as follows

"Section 35 (1) If the partnership is not dissolved because it has become unlawful to carry on the business a partner cannot after dissolution bind the partnership to third persons by any act which is not necessary to wind up the partnership affairs or to complete transactions then unfinished unless

(a) Such third person having had relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended upon the faith of the partnership has had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(b) Such third person not having had business relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended to the partnership has no knowledge or notice of the dissolution and the fact of dissolution has not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation of the place (or of each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on and in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The partnership is in no case bound by the acts of a partner who has become bankrupt but this provision does not affect the liability of any person who as declared by section sixteen after bankruptcy has represented himself or consented to another's representing him to be a partner of the bankrupt" be and the same is hereby to read as follows

Section 35 Power of partner to bind partnership to third person after dissolution) (1) After dissolution a partner can bind the partnership except as provided in paragraph (3)

(a) By any act appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or completing transactions unfinished at dissolution

(b) By any transaction which would bind the partnership if dissolution had not taken place provided the other party to the transaction

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(II) Though he had not so extended credit had nevertheless known of the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of dissolution the fact of dissolution had not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the place (or in each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The liability of a partner under paragraph (1b) shall be satisfied out of partnership assets alone when such partner had been prior to dissolution

(a) Unknown as a partner to the person with whom the contract is made and

(b) So far unknown and inactive in partnership affairs that the business reputation of the partnership could not be said to have been in any degree due to his connection with it

(3) The partnership is in no case bound by any act of a partner after dissolution

(a) Where the partnership is dissolved because it is unlawful to carry on the business unless the act is appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or

(b) Where the partner has become bankrupt or

(c) Where the partner has no authority to wind up partnership affairs except by a transaction with one who

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of his want of authority or

(II) Had not extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of his want of authority the fact of his want of authority has not been advertised in the manner provided for advertising the fact of dissolution in paragraph (1b II)

(4) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability under section sixteen of any person who after dissolution represents himself or consents to another representing him as a partner in a partnership engaged in carrying on business

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 3, line 12, by inserting after the word "dissolution" the word "and"; also line 14, page 4, by inserting after the word "authority" where it first occurs the word "and".

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 549 (House Bill No. 249), entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 550 (House Bill No. 250), entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

The contents of the bill were read as follows:

Section 1 Limited partnerships defined
Section 2 Formation
Section 3 Business which may be carried on
Section 4 Character of limited partner's contribution
Section 5 Name not to contain surname of limited partner exceptions
Section 6 Liability for false statements in certificate
Section 7 Limited partner not liable to creditors
Section 8 Admission of additional limited partners
Section 9 Rights powers and liabilities of a general partner
Section 10 Rights of a limited partner
Section 11 Status of person erroneously believing himself a limited partner
Section 12 One person both general and limited partner
Section 13 Loans and other business transactions with limited partner
Section 14 Relation of limited partners inter se
Section 15 Compensation of limited partner
Section 16 Withdrawal or reduction of limited partner's contribution
Section 17 Liability of limited partner to partnership
Section 18 Nature of limited partner's interest in partnership
Section 19 Assignment of limited partner's interest
Section 20 Effect of retirement death or insanity of a general partner
Section 21 Death of limited partner
Section 22 Rights of creditors of limited partner
Section 23 Distribution of assets
Section 24 When certificate shall be cancelled or amended
Section 25 Requirements for amendment and for cancellation of certificate

Section 26 Parties to actions
Section 27 Name of act
Section 28 Rules of construction
Section 29 Rules for cases not provided for in this act
Section 30 Provisions for existing limited partnerships formed under act of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six
Section 31 Acts repealed

(Limited Partnership Defined)

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the contents?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend page 1, line 14, by striking out "erroneausly" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "erroneously".

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the contents as amended?

It was agreed to.

The first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a limited partnership is a partnership formed by two or more persons under the provisions of section two having as members one or more general partners and one or more limited partners The limited partners as such shall not be bound by the obligations of the partnership

Section 2 (Formation) (1) Two or more persons desiring to form a limited partnership shall

(a) Sign and swear to a certificate which shall state

I The name of the partnership

II The character of the business

III The location of the principal place of business

IV The name and place of residence of each member general and limited partners being respectively designated

V The term for which the partnership is to exist

VI The amount of cash and a description of and the agreed value of the other property contributed by each limited partner

VII The additional contributions if any agreed to be made by each limited partner and the times at which or events on the happening of which they shall be made

VIII The time if agreed upon when the contribution of each limited partner is to be returned

IX The share of the profits or the other compensation by way of income which each limited partner shall receive by reason of his contribution

X The right if given of a limited partner to substitute an assignee as contributor in his place and the terms and conditions of the substitution

XI The right if given of the partners to admit additional limited partners

XII The right if given of one or more of the limited partners to priority over other limited partners as to contributions or as to compensation by way of income and the nature of such priority

XIII The right if given of the remaining general partner or partners to continue the business on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner and

XIV The right if given of a limited partner to demand and receive property other than cash in return for his contribution

(b) File for record the certificate in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which the principal place of business of the limited partnership shall be located

(2) A limited partnership is formed if there has been substantial compliance in good faith with the requirements of paragraph (1)

(3) The recorder of deeds shall record the certificate and the acknowledgment thereto at large in a book to be kept for that purpose open to public inspection

Section 3 (Business which may be carried on) A limited partnership may carry on any business which a partnership without limited partners may carry on

Section 4 (Character of limited partner's contribution) The contributions of a limited partner may be cash or other property but not services

Section 5 (A name not to contain surname of limited partner exceptions) (1) The surname of a limited partner shall not appear in the partnership name unless

(a) It is also the surname of a general partner or

(b) Prior to the time when the limited partner became such the business had been carried on under a name in which his surname appeared

(2) A limited partner whose name appears in a partnership name contrary to the provisions of paragraph (1) is liable as a general partner to partnership creditors who extend credit to the partnership without actual knowledge that he is not a general partner

Section 6 (Liability for False Statements in Certificates) If the certificate contains a false statement one who suffers loss by reliance on such statement may hold liable any party to the certificate who knew the statement to be false

(a) at the time he signed the certificate or

(b) Subsequently but within a sufficient time before the statement was relied upon to enable him to cancel or amend the certificate or to file a petition for its cancellation or amendment as provided in section twenty-five (3)

Section 7 (Limited Partner Not Liable to Creditors) A limited partner shall not become liable as a general partner unless in addition to the exercise of his rights and powers as a limited partner he takes part in the control of the business

Section 8 (Admission of Additional Limited Partners) After the formation of a limited partnership additional limited partners may be admitted upon filing an amendment to the original certificate in accordance with the requirements of section twenty-five

Section 9 (Rights Powers and Liabilities of a General Partner) (1) A general partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of a partner in a partnership without limited partners except that without the written consent or ratification of the specific act by all the limited partners a general partner or all of the general partners have no authority to

(a) Do any act in contravention of the certificate

(b) Do any act which would make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the partnership

(c) Confess a judgment against the partnership

(d) Possess partnership property or assign their rights in specific partnership property for other than a partnership purpose

(e) Admit a person as a general partner

(f) Admit a person as a limited partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

(g) Continue the business with partnership property on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

Section 10 (Rights of a Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner shall have the same rights as a general partner to

(a) Have the partnership books kept at the principal place of business of the partnership and at all times to inspect and copy any of them

(b) Have on demand true and full information of all things affecting the partnership and a formal account of partnership affairs whenever circumstances render it just and reasonable and

(c) Have dissolution and winding up by decree of court

(2) A limited partner shall have the right to receive a share of the profits or other compensation by way of income and to the return of his contribution as provided in sections fifteen and sixteen

The eleventh section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 11 (Status of Persons Erroneously Believing Himself a Limited Partner) A person who has contributed to the capital of a business conducted by a person or partnership erroneously believing that he has become a limited partner in a limited partnership is not by reason of his exercise of the rights of a limited partner a general partner with the person or in the partnership carrying on the business or bound by the obligations of such person or partnership provided that on ascertaining the mistake he promptly renounces his interest in the profits of the business or other compensation by way of income

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 11, page 7, line 17, by striking out after the word "of" the word "persons" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "person".

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth sections of the bill were read as follows:

Section 12 (One Person both General and Limited Partner) (1) A person may be a general partner and a limited partner in the same partnership at the same time

(2) A person who is a general and also at the same time a limited partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions of a general partner except that in respect to his contribution he shall have the rights against the other members which he would have had if he were not also a general partner

Section 13 (Loans and Other Business Transactions with Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner also may loan money to and transact other business with the partnership and unless he is also a general partner receive on account of resulting claims against the partnership with general creditors a pro rata share of the assets No limited partner shall in respect to any such claim

(a) Receive or hold as collateral security any partnership property or

(b) Receive from a general partner or the partnership any payment conveyance or release from liability if at the time the assets of the partnership are not sufficient to discharge partnership liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners

(2) The receiving of collateral security or a payment conveyance or release in violation of the provisions of paragraph (1) is a fraud on the creditors of the partnership

Section 14 (Relation of Limited Partners Inter Se) Where there are several limited partners the members may agree that one or more of the limited partners shall have priority over other limited partners as to the return of their contributions as to their compensation by way of income or as to any other matter If such an agreement is made it shall be stated in the certificate and in the absence of such a statement all the limited partners shall stand upon equal footing

Section 15 (Compensation of limited partner) A limited partner may receive from the partnership the share of the profits or the compensation by way of income stipulated for in the certificate provided that after such payment is made whether from the property of the partnership or that of a general partner the partnership assets are in excess of all liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

Section 16 (Withdrawal or reduction of limited partner's contribution) (1) A limited partner shall not receive from a general partner or out of partnership property any part of his contribution until

(a) All liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to general partners and to limited partners on account of their contributions have been paid or there remains property of the partnership sufficient to pay them

(b) The consent of all members is had unless the return of the contribution may be rightfully demanded under the provisions of paragraph (2) and

(c) The certificate is cancelled or so amended as to set forth the withdrawal or reduction

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) a limited partner may rightfully demand the return of his contribution

(a) On the dissolution of a partnership or

(b) When the date specified in the certificate for its return has arrived or

(c) After he has given six mouths' notice in writing to all other members if no time is specified in the certificate either for the return of the contribution or for the dissolution of the partnership

(3) In the absence of any statement in the certificate to the contrary or the consent of all members a limited partner irrespective of the nature of his contribution has only the right to demand and receive cash in return for his contribution

(4) A limited partnership may have the partnership dissolved and its affairs wound up when

(a) He rightfully but unsuccessfully demands the return of his contribution or

(b) The other liabilities of the partnership have not been paid or the partnership property is insufficient for their payment as required by paragraph (1a) and the limited partner would otherwise be entitled to the return of his contribution

Section 17 (Liabililty of limited partner to partnership) (1) A limited partner is liable to the partnership

(a) For the difference between his contribution as actually made and that stated in the certificate as having been made and

(b) For any unpaid contribution which he agreed in the certificate to make in the future at the time and on the conditions stated in the certificate

(2) A limited partner holds as trustee for the partnership

(a) Specific property stated in the certificate as contributed by him but which was not contributed or which has been wrongfully returned and

(b) Money or other property wrongfully paid or conveyed to him on account of his contribution

(3) The liabilities of a limited partner as set forth in this section can be waived or compromised only by the consent of all members but a waiver or compromise shall not affect the right of a creditor of a partnership who extended credit or whose claim arose after the filing and before a cancellation or amendment of the certificate to enforce such liabilities

(4) When a limited partner has rightfully received the return in whole or in part of the capital of his contribution he is nevertheless liable to the partnership for any sum not in excess of such return with interest necessary to discharge its liabilities to all creditors who extend credit or whose claims arose before such return

Section 18 (Nature of limited partner's interest in partnership) A limited partner's interest in the partnership is personal property

The nineteenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 19 (Assignment of limited partner's interest) (1) A limited partner's interest is assignable

(2) A substituted limited partner is a person admitted to all the rights of a limited partner who has died or has assigned his interest in a partnership.

(3) An assignee who does not become a substituted limited partner has no right to require any information or account of the partnership transactions or to inspect the partnership books he is only entitled to receive the share of the profits or other compensation by way of income or the return of his contribution to which his assignor would otherwise be entitled

(4) An assignee shall have the right to become a substituted limited partner if all the members (except the assignor) consent thereto or if the assignor being thereunto empowered by the certificate gives the assignee that right

(5) An assignee becomes a substituted limited partner when the certificate is approximately amended in accordance with section twenty-five

(6) The substituted limited partner has all the rights and powers and is subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of his assignor except those liabilities of which he was ignorant at the time he became a limited partner and which could not be ascertained from the certificate

(7) The substitution of the assignee as a limited partner does not release the assignor from liability to the partnership under sections six and seventeen

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 19, page 12, line 22, by striking out "lmiped" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "limped".

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twentieth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 20 (Effect of retirement death or insanity of a general partner) (The retirement death or insanity of a general partner dissolves the partnership unless the business is continued by the remaining general partners

(a) Under a right so to do stated in the certificate or

(b) With the consent of all members.

The twenty-first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 21 (Death of limited Partner) (1) On the death of a limited partner his executor or administrator shall have all the rights of a limited partner for the purpose of settling his estate and such power as the deceased had to constitute his assignee a substituted limited partner

(2) The estate of a deceased limited partner shall be liable for all his liabilities as a limited partner

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 21, page 13, line 6, by striking out "patrner" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "partner".

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-second, twenty-third, twenty-fourth, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 22 (Rights of creditors of limited partner) (1) On due application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any judgment creditor of a limited partner the court may charge the interest of the indebted limited partner with payment of the unsatisfied amount of the judgment debt and may appoint a receiver and make all other orders directions and inquiries which the circumstances of the case may require

(2) The interest may be redeemed with the separate property of any general partner but may not be redeemed with partnership property

(3) The remedies conferred by paragraph (1) shall not be deemed exclusive of others which may exist

(4) Nothing in this act shall be held to deprive a limited partner of his statutory exemption

Section 23 (Distribution of Assets) (1) In settling accounts after dissolution the liabilities of the partnership shall be entitled to payment in the following order

(a) Those to creditors in the order of priority as provided by law except those to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

(b) Those to limited partners in respect to their share of the profits and other compensation by way of income on their contributions

(c) Those to limited partners in respect to the capital of their contributions

(d) Those to general partners other than for capital and profits

(e) Those to general partners in respect to profits

(f) Those to general partners in respect to capital

(2) Subject to any statement in the certificate or to subsequent agreement limited partners share in the partnership assets in respect to their claims for capital and in

respect to their claims for profits or for compensation by way of income on their contributions respectively in proportion to the respective amounts of such claims

Section 24 (When Certificate Shall be Cancelled or Amended) (1) The certificate shall be cancelled when the partnership is dissolved or all limited partners cease to be such

(2) A certificate shall be amended when

(a) There is a change in the name of the partnership or in the amount or character of the contribution of any limited partner

(b) A person is substituted as a limited partner

(c) An additional limited partner is admitted

(d) A person is admitted as a general partner

(e) A general partner retires dies or becomes insane and the business is continued under section twenty

(f) There is a change in the character of the business of the partnership

(g) There is a false or erroneous statement in the certificate

(h) There is a change in the time as stated in the certificate for the dissolution of the partnership or for the return of a contribution

(i) A time is fixed for the dissolution of the partnership or the return of a contribution no time having been specified in the certificate or

(j) The members desire to make a change in any other statement in the certificate in order that it shall accurately represent the agreement between them

Section 25 (Requirements for Amendment and for Cancellation of Certificate) (1) The writing to amend a certificate shall

(a) Conform to the requirements of section two (1a) as far as necessary to set forth clearly the change in the certificate which it is desired to make and

(b) Be signed and sworn to by all members and an amendment substituting a limited partner or adding a limited or general partner shall be signed also by the member to be substituted or added and when a limited partner is to be substituted the amendment shall also be signed by the assigning limited partner

(2) The writing to cancel a certificate shall be signed by all members

(3) A person desiring the cancellation or amendment of a certificate if any person designated in paragraphs (1) and (2) as a person who must execute the writing refuses to do so may petition the court of common pleas of the county in which the certificate is filed to direct a cancellation or amendment thereof

(4) If the court finds that the petiitoner has a right to have the writing executed by a person who refuses to do so it shall order the recorder of deeds in the office where the certificate is recorded to record the cancellation or amendment of the certificate and where the certificate is to be amended the court shall also cause to be filed for record in said office a certified copy of its decree setting forth the amendment

(5) A certificate is amended or cancelled when there is filed for record in the office of the recorder of deeds where the certificate is recorded

(a) A writing in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) or (2) or

(b) A certified copy of the order of court in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4)

(6) After the certificate is duly amended in accordance with this section the amended certificate shall thereafter be for all purposes the certificate provided for by this act

Section 26 (Parties to Actions) A contributor unless he is a general partner is not a proper party to proceedings by or against a partnership except where the object is to enforce a limited partner's right against or liability to the partnership

Section 27 (Name of Act) This act may be cited as The Uniform Limited Partnership Act

Section 28 (Rules of Construction) (1) The rule that statutes in derogation of the common law are to be strictly construed shall have no application to this act

(2) This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effect its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states which enact it

(3) This act shall not be so construed as to impair the obligations of any contract existing when the act goes into effect nor to affect any action or proceedings begun or right accrued before this act takes effect

Section 29 (Rules for Cases not Provided for in this Act) In any case not provided for in this act the rules of law and equity including the law merchant shall govern

Section 30 (Provisions for Existing Limited Partnerships formed under act of one thousand eight hundred thirty-six) (1) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act may become a limited partnership under this act by complying with the provisions of section two provided the certificate sets forth

(a) The amount of the original contribution of each limited partner and the time when the contribution was made and

(b) That the property of the partnership exceeds the amount sufficient to discharge its liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners by an amount greater than the sum of the contributions of its limited partners

(2) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act until or unless it becomes a limited partnership under this act shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such act its amendments and supplements except that such partnership shall not be renewed unless so provided in the original agreement

Section 31 (acts repealed) Except as affecting existing limited partnerships to the extent set forth in section thirty the following acts are hereby repealed

An act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six entitled "An Act relative to limited partnerships"

So much of an act in the form of a resolution approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight entitled "Resolution relative to State Library and for other purposes" as relates to limited partnerships being the last five resolutions in said act

An act approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight entitled "A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six"

An act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "A Further Supplement to an act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted"

An act approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted approved March thirtieth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five"

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 556 (House Bill No. 583), entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, entitled "A supplement to an act to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State Hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred eighty-five," as amended, by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 562, as follows:

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement or reconstruction of certain state highways in certain cases upon the property abutting the line of improvement and providing for the collection of such assessments

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authoriity of the same That whenever the whole or any part of the width of a State highway or any portion thereof within a borough has been improved or reconstructed at the joint expense of such borough county and state such borough may in its discretion by ordinance duly passed and published before the work is commenced assess all or any part of the borough's share of such joint expense on the owners of the property abutting on the line of such improvement or reconstruction by the foot-front rule In any case where only part of the width of the state highway or portion thereof is improved or reconstructed nothing in this act shall prevent the borough from subsequently improving reconstructing or paving the remaining width of such state highway or portion thereof and collecting two-thirds of the cost thereof from the abutting property owners as is now or may hereafter be provided by law in cases where the entire width of a street is paved

Section 2 All assessments made pursuant to section one of this act shall be estimated by the borough council or by such person as it shall designate and shall be filed with the secretary of the borough

Section 3 The secretary of the borough shall cause thirty days' notice of the assessment to be given to each party assessed either by service on the owner or his agent by leaving a copy thereof on the assessed premises

Section 4 If any assessment shall remain unpaid at the expiration of the notice it shall be the duty of the borough solicitor to collect the same with interest from the time of completion of the improvement by action of assumpsit or by a lien to be filed and collected in the same manner as municipal claims are now filed and collected When an owner has two or more lots against which there is an assessment for the same improvement all of such lots shall be embraced in one claim

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 572, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farview Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farview Pennsylvania to cover deficiency for the two fiscal years ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 573, as follows:

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Department of Forestry is hereby authorized to purchase and receive conveyance of surface rights to any lands within this Commonwealth for forestry purposes and to hold such lands as State forests

Section 2 Where the title to land the surface rights of which are hereby authorized to be acquired are subject to outstanding rights conveying waters minerals oil gas or other valuable deposits or any privileges or reservations whatsoever the Department of Forestry may in its discretion accept for conveyance under this act the surface rights to such lands where the administration of scientific and practical forestry will not be interfered with or made impossible by such outstanding rights privileges or reservations.

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 581, as follows:

An Act empowering certain corporations societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the Court of Common Pleas and the filing of notice of such changes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any corporation society or voluntary association carried on for the sole benefit of its members and their beneficiaries and not for profit and having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commeonwealth may change the location of its princapal office or place of business to any other place within this Commonwealth upon petition to and approval by the court of common pleas of the county where said principal office is located and such court is hereby empowered upon cause shown to so approve A notice that such location has been changed shall be filed by the secretary of the corporation society or voluntary association under the corporate seal in the prothonotarys' office in the county to which said office or place of business has been removed in the prothonotary's office in the county from which said office or place of business has been removed and in the office of the Insurance Commissioner ten days before the change shall take effect

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 583, as follows:

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act approved thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards" as amended

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section sixteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred eighty-nine) entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards" as amended by an act approved the tenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred sixty-six) entitled "An Act to amend section sixteen of an act entitled 'An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards' approved June thirteenth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six by making it the duty of the petitioner for the commission within thirty days after the filing of the report of the commissioner or commissioners finding the alleged lunatic or habitual drunkard to be a lunatic or habitual drunkard to cause a certified copy of said report to be filed and indexed (in the same manner as an original proceeding) in the court of common pleas of every other county in this Commonwealth in which is situate any real estate the title to which may be affected by the findings in said report and providing that unless the same be so filed and indexed the record and record papers of said proceeding shall not be evidence in any court of this Commonwealth in any proceeding either at law or in equity touching or concerning the title to any real estate situate in any county or counties in which such certified copy of such report is not so filed and indexed Provided That this provision shall be limited to the lands and tenements found by the commissioner or commissioners in obedience to the mandate of the fourth section of the act herein amended" which reads as follows

"Section 16 The findings of a person to be a lunatic or habitual drunkard as aforesaid in any court of common pleas of this Commonwealth having jurisdiction as aforesaid and the appointment of a committee by the same authority shall have (subject to the proviso hereinafter stated) the like effect in every other county in this Commonwealth as in that in which the said proceedings took place Provided always nevertheless That it shall be the duty of the petitioner for the commission in lunacy within thirty days after the filing of the report of the commissioner or commissioners finding the alleged lunatic or habitual drunkard to be a lunatic or habitual drunkard to cause a certified copy of said report of the commissioner or commissioners together with the decree or order of the court confirming Said report to be filed and indexed (in the same manner as though it were an original proceedings) in the court of common pleas of every other county of this Commonwealth in which is situate any real estate the title to which may be affected by the findings contained in said report and unless the same be so filed and indexed as aforesaid within the time aforesaid the record and record papers of such proceeding shall not be evidence in any court of this Commonwealth of any matter or thing in any proceeding either at law or in equity touching or concerning the title to any real estate situate in any county or counties in this Commonwealth in which such certified copy of such report has not been filed and indexed as aforesaid This proviso to be limited to the lands and tenements found by the report of the commissioner or commissioners made in obedience to the mandate of the third section of the act approved June thirteenth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six to be the property of the alleged lunatic or habitual drunkard" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 16 The finding of a person to be a lunatic or habitual drunkard as aforesaid in any court of common pleas of this Commonwealth having jurisdiction as aforesaid and the appointment of a committee by the same authority shall have (subject to the proviso hereinafter stated) the like effect in every other county in this Commonwealth as in that in which the said proceedings took place Provided always nevertheless That it shall be the duty of the petitioner for the commission in lunacy within thirty days after the filing of the report of the commissioner or commissioners finding the alleged lunatic or habitual drunkard to be a lnuatic or habitual drunkard to cause a certified copy of said report of the commissioner or commissioners together with the decree or order of the court confirming said report to be filed and indexed (in the same manner as though it were an original proceeding) in the court of common pleas of every other county of this Commonwealth in which is situate any real estate the title to which may be affected by the findings contained in

said report and unless the same be so fined and indexed as aforesaid within the time aforesaid the record and record papers of such proceeding shall not be evidence in any court of this Commonwealth of any matter or thing in any proceeding either at law or in equity touching or concerning the title to any real estate situate in any county or counties in this Commonwealth in which such certified copy of such report has not been filed and indexed as aforesaid This proviso to be limited to the lands and tenements found by the report of the commissioner or commissioners made in obedience to the mandate of the third section of the act approved June thirteenth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six to be property of the alleged lunatic or habitual drunkard Provided however That if any such report shall have been filed prior to the tenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven a certified copy thereof together with the decree or order of the court confirming said report may at any time within sixty days from and after the passage of this act be filed and indexed in the manner hereinbefore provided with the same force and effect as if the report of the finding aforesaid had been filed subsequent to the tenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven Provided also That if any such report shall have been filed in any proceeding since the tenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven and a certified copy thereof together with the decree or order of the court confirming said report shall not have been filed within thirty days thereafter in every county in which the title of the real estate of the said lunatic or habitual drunkard is hereby affected certified copies of the same may be filed and indexed in the respctive counties where the said real estate is situate at any time within sixty days after the passage of this act with the same force and effect as if the said report and order or decree had been filed within the said period of thirty days Provided further That all deeds portgages or other instruments in writing affecting the real estate of such lunatic or habitual drunkard which are defective in respect to acknowledgment or by reason of failure of compliance with the requirements of the acts aforesaid are hereby validated and made good in law

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 595, as follows:

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs or inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act in all cases in which the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth is or shall be required by existing laws to act in person under any writ of inquisition condemnation inquiry or damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the court of this Commonwealth the said sheriff may act either in person or by deputy duly appointed specially for such purpose

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 597, as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to preserve the purity of the waters of the State for the protection of the public health" approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and sixty) extending the provisions of said act to provide for compensation to the owners of property who may be injured by the operation of said act and prescribing the manner by which said compensation shall be determined

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That after the passage of this act before the owners of property abutting on any of the waters of the State shall be required to comply with the terms of the said act to which this is a supplement the Commissioner of Health of the State of Pennsylvania shall file or cause to be filed in the prothonotary's office of the court of common pleas of the county where said property or any part thereof shall be located complete plans and specifications showing what the said owners are required to do and shall also serve upon the said owners copies of said plans and specifications and the said plans and specifications shall be the basis on which compensation herein provided for shall be made

Section 2 That the owners of said property shall be fully compensated by the State for any damage done or likely to be done by complying with the requirements of the said act to which this is a supplement in the manner herein provided

Section 3 That for all damages done or suffered of which shall accrue to the owner or owners of said property by reason of complying with the requirements of the said act to which this is a supplement the State shall be security

Section 4 That if the Commissioner of Health of the State of Pennsylvania on behalf of the State cannot agree with the owner or owners of any such property for the compensation proper for the damage done or likely to be done or sustained by any such owner or owners of such property or by reason of the absence or legal incapacity of any such owner or owners no such compensation can be agreed upon the court of common pleas of the proper county on application thereto by petition either by the said Commissioner of Health on behalf of the State or by the owner or owners of said property shall appoint three (3) discreet freeholders as viewers members of the county board of viewers fixing a time not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days thereafter for said viewers to meet at or upon the premises where the damages are alleged to be sustained of which time and place five (5) days notice shall be given by the petitioner to the said viewers and the other party And the said viewers or any two of them having viewed the premises shall estimate and determine the amount of damage done if any to the owner or owners of said property in consequence of the requirements of the said act to which this is a supplement and determine to whom payable and make report thereof to the said court and if any damages be awarded and the report be confirmed by the said court judgment shall be entered thereon

Section 5 That upon the report of said viewers or any two of them having been filed in said court either party within thirty (30) days thereafter may file his her or their appeal from said report in said court And after such appeal either party may put the cause at issue in the form directed by said court and the same shall then be tried by said court and a jury and after final judgment either party may have an appeal to the Supreme or Superior Court in the manner prescribed in other cases The said court shall have power to order what notices shall be given in connection with any part of the proceedings and make all such rules connected with the same as may be deemed requisite If any exceptions be filed with any appeal to the proceedings in said court of common pleas they shall be speedily disposed of and if allowed a new trial shall be ordered and if disallowed the appeal shall proceed as before prescribed.

Section 6 That if pending said proceedings it shall be made to appear by affidavit or otherwise to the satisfaction of said court that the title to the said property is disputed doubtful or defective or that any party in interest is absent covert not of full age or for any other cause unable to act it shall be lawful for said court to make all needful orders to effect the purposes of this act and to direct the damages and costs to be paid into court for the benefit of the parties who may be found entitled thereto

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts supplied hereby or inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 597, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 255, entitled

An Act to fix the time for filing nomination papers for State and municipal officers and for the determination by the courts of contested papers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 256, entitled

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four and paragraph one of section five of an act entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective officers of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for

non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 257, entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National Party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses, provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the 12th day of July, A. D. 1913, so as to change the time of filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 258, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens, Pennsylvania, for moneys erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 304 (House Bill No. 267), entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 305 (House Bill No. 268), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 388 (House Bill No. 375) entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or many be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 632 entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships ties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provision of this act" as amended.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 447 (Senate Bill No. 689) entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act for the better regulation of pool rooms, billiard rooms, bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," and to regulate the time for closing the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 738 (Senate Bill No. 690) entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads, improved and

maintained by such counties, the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth, for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads, and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon, and for the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers, and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 856 (Senate Bill No. 691) entitled

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor," as amended, fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed Senate Bill No. 282 entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane, to make good the deficit in operation of said hospital to January first, one thousand nine hundred seventeen.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations reported as committed, Senate Bill No. 382 entitled

An Act making an appropriation to John W. Eckenrode, of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by an injury to his minor son, James Robert Eckenrode, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 383, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by the death of their minor son, Benjamin Rice, while lawfully driving along a State Highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

Mr. SEMMENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SEMMENS, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 280, entitled

An Act requiring county commissioners to construct certain bridges on State highways crossing a rivulet, creek or river, and also a railroad track or tracks; and imposing the cost of the construction and maintenance thereof on the county, State and railroad company or companies in such proportions as may be determined by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committees at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 592, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the law of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 629, entitled

An Act classifying and extending the terms of office of councilmen in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 684, entitled

An Act relating to divorce and defining the conditions under which remarriage may be lawful by husband or wife after both separation and decree, a mensa et thoro, for a certain time and providing the procedure in and effect of the same.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 624, entitled

An Act dividing the Middle Coal-field Poor District into four districts and providing for the nomination and election of a director and auditor from each district, and one director at large to be elected by the voters of all districts; fixing the time when such nominations and elections shall be held and when those elected shall take office; providing for appointments and filling of vacancies; placing the affairs of the district under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County; making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said district after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County; and repealing certain acts.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 264, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 650, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to A. K. Cassel for services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 650, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to A. K. Cassel for services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture.

be read the first time.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 650, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to A. K. Cassel for services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11.26 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, March 27, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, March 26, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson of Harrisburg offered the following prayer:

Our dear Heavenly Father, we thank Thee as the quiet of evening shadows are gathering about us and about those we love who are scattered over this great State of ours. As we turn our minds to those duties that are at our hand may we realize that all work is Thy work; may we

realize that only as we look to Thee for light, for guidance and for strength can we ever live up to those great ideals that have brought our nation into being and have kept it true and steadfast. May we ever have that guidance of Thine that will keep us ever true to those high and wonderful standards of righteousness and truth, and may Thy benediction rest upon our body and our nation, we ask for Jesus' sake. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, March 22, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, March 22, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Gransback, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

PROTESTING AGAINST HOUSE BILL NO. 97.

Mr. DELL presented the petition of citizens of Huntingdon County protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 97, which proposes to legalize Sunday fishing.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

PROTESTING AGAINST THE FISHERMEN'S LICENSE BILL.

Mr. DELL presented the petition of citizens of Huntingdon County protesting against the Fishermen's License Bill.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1119.

An Act relating to the incorporation of banks of discount and deposit, savings banks and trust companies; and defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Banking and the Governor in relation thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1120.

An Act to amend section nine of an act, entitled "An Act to amend certain paragraphs of section one, also sections four, five, twelve, thirteen, twenty, twenty-two, thirty, thirty-two, and thirty-seven of an act, entitled 'An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing the payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales,' approved the fourth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws three hundred sixty-four), as one of said paragraphs of section one, and said fourth and fifth sections, were amended by an act approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws forty-one), as section twelve was amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws two hundred eighty-six), and as section thirty-two was amended by an act approved the twentieth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one thousand seventy-six)," approved the twenty-eighth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred ninety-nine), providing that liens of tax or municipal claims shall not be divested by judicial sale thereunder, except as therein provided.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. URICH. House Bill No. 1121.

An Act to amend section fourteen hundred twelve of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. URICH. House Bill No. 1122.

An Act providing for the establishment of physical education and training in the public schools of the Commonwealth, and creating the Bureau of Physical Education in the Department of Public Instruction to carry out the provisions hereof.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SHOWALTER. House Bill No. 1123.

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act applicable to all counties of this Commonwealth, to provide monthly payments, as approved by the trustees, to indigent widows, or abandoned mothers, for partial support of their children in their own homes; the manner of appointment of the trustees; the administration of the trust; amount of appropriations, proportioning appropriations, co-ordinate appropriations; amounts to be paid, form of records, eligibility, penalties, and reports, as set forth," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. THOMAS. House Bill No. 1124.

An Act amending the first and seventeenth sections of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes, and, in cities co-extensive with counties, for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of the same; providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith; and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes," by authorizing the return by the county of part of said taxes collected in cities of the third class to such cities, and removing the exemption of life and fire insurance corporations having no capital stock from the provisions of the act.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 1125.

An Act amending an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs," by adding thereto article eight of chapter seven.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WYLIE. House Bill No. 1126.

An Act to amend section sixteen hundred and ten of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1127.

An Act empowering cities and boroughs to provide for the licensing of cats.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SONES. House Bill No. 1128.

An Act to confirm titles to real estate under allotments and sales had under orders of the Orphans' Courts in proceedings in partition and to give the Orphans' Courts of this Commonwealth jurisdiction in all cases where real estate is held jointly by co-tenants or tenants in common or as joint owners whether all such are living or where some are deceased and their interest has passed to their heirs.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 1129.

An Act making an appropriation for providing, erecting, completing, maintaining and repairing armories for the use of the Pennsylvania National Guard, including compensation insurance of employes of armories, clerical and other expenses of the State Armory Board.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MILNER. House Bill No. 1130.

An Act to amend section forty-five of the act, approved the nineteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relating to the sale of goods."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 1131.

An Act amending section seventeen of an act entitled "An Act to restrain and regulate the sale of vinous and spirituous malt or brewed liquors, or any admixtures thereof," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, prohibiting the sale of liquors during certain hours of the day.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 1132.

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, at Erie, Pennsylvania, for maintenance of said home and the payment of expenses of administration, including salaries of officials and clerks; for the payment of premiums on insurance; and providing that all moneys received from the United States Government by the Governor of Pennsylvania, on account of maintenance, shall be paid into the State Treasury.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1133.

An Act to enable any city, town, borough or township owning and operating its own water works to require a water-meter to be installed upon every property supplied from such water works at the expense of the owner thereof and providing that the cost of and charge for installing such water-meter shall be a lien upon such property with the same priority and enforceable in the same manner as a municipal claim.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWEITZER. House Bill No. 1134.

An Act providing for the licensing and taxing of any person or persons, firm or corporation, furnishing, selling or using premiums, prizes, stamps, coupons, tickets, certificates, cards or other similar devices for or with the sale of goods, wares, and merchandise, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 1135.

An Act placing the control and management of county jails and prisons in the several counties of the Commonwealth, and the inmates thereof in boards of prison inspectors; providing for the appointment of such boards in each of said counties and for the regulation and government of said jails and prisons and the inmates thereof; providing for the payment of the necessary expenses for keeping, furnishing and maintaining said jails and prisons by the several counties, respectively, and prescribing the duties of the commissioners and treasurers, respectively, of said counties relative to the payment of such expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1136.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in Armstrong and Butler Counties, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 1137.

An Act to amend paragrpah (e) of section three hundred six of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1138.

An Act making an appropriation to the Taylor Hospital, Ridley Park, Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. PHILLIPS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bell for the balance of the week.

Mr. DAWSON asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ruddy for the balance of the week.

Mr. DITHRICH asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wagner for the balance of the week on account of a death in the family.

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING.

Mr. HECHT offered the following resolution which was twice read and laid over under the rules:

Whereas, The subject of the Universal Training has been, and will be, presented to the Congress of the United States, and

Whereas, There should be enacted into law a Universal Military Training Bill, now, therefore,

Be it Resolved, By the House of Representatives (if the Senate concurs), That we earnestly endorse the principle of Universal Military Training, and urge upon the Members of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania to aid in the enactment of such Universal Military Training law as will now, and hereafter provide for the common defence, promote and maintain the general welfare, safety and happiness of all the people, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity.

Be it Further Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution, together with the action therein, be sent to each Member in the Congress of the United States from the State of Pennsylvania.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO COMPLETION OF THE TRANS-PENNSYLVANIA THOROUGHFARES.

Mr. RAMSEY offered the following resolution, which was twice read and laid over under the rules:

Whereas, An effort is being made throughout the United States of America to amply prepare this country against any contingency which may arise and defend it against the invasion of any foe,

Therefore, Be it Resolved (if the Senate concur), by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that it is the sense of this body that one of the first steps toward the protection of this Commonwealth and the rendering of aid to the Federal Government will be the completion of those trans-Pennsylvania thoroughfares which are part of transcontinental systems connecting the eastern and western coasts, the construction of which would aid materially in the transportation of troops and munitions and war if the occasion for such transportation arose.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 62, entitled

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting of licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 62 MADE A SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 62, File Folio 1493, entitled

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited.

be made a special order on second reading on Tuesday, March 27, 1917, at 11.30 A. M.

Mr. VICKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1028, entitled

An Act authorizing James L. Baker and Mary A. Baker his wife of Harrisburg, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 947, entitled

An Act to further protect the rights and liberties of the people of this Commonwealth when under arrest in cities

of the first class upon a bailable criminal charge making its infraction a misdemeanor and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 775, entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with Article five, Section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 889, entitled

An Act providing for the payment by State Hospitals for the insane of the traveling expenses from said hospitals to their homes respectively of indigent inmates of said hospitals discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities and for the reimbursement to such hospitals of the amounts so paid.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 995, entitled

An Act to prohibit the killing of foxes by certain methods in York County and fixing a penalty for violation of the act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 659, entitled

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act providing for the confiscation of certain machines and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1033, entitled

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents, to partitions in the Common Pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators, to pleadings in certain actions of debt, to action of ejectments, to the protection of fences, to partnerships, to limitations of writs of entry in manors, lands, and tenements, to the exemption laws, to reports of the Supreme Court, to appeals relating to wards, boroughs, and township officers, to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates," by regulating the number of appraisers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-five, entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 954, entitled

An Act regulating hunting, trapping and fishing on unseated and auxiliary forest reserve lands; providing for the propagation of game and fish on such lands and providing penalties for violations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act authorizing a State Association of Township Supervisors and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof by the respective counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 221, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," by including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1111 (Senate Bill No. 492), entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1038 (Senate Bill No. 156), entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 783 (Senate Bill No. 147) entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the term of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the term of inspectors now in office

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 957 (Senate Bill No. 148), entitled

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws; authorizing the appointment of the commissioners; defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1110 (Senate Bill No. 487), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 958 (Senate Bill No. 196), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 934 (Senate Bill No. 205), entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbier, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 938 (Senate Bill No. 219), entitled

An Act to authorize counties, cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men and providing labor and material in and about the erection, alteration, addition and repair of public buildings.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 936 (Senate Bill No. 212), entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1099 (Senate Bill No. 355), entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

And said bill having been read at length the first time. Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreealy to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 337 (Senate Bill No. 34), as follows:

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That wherever considered necessary for the safety and convenience of the traveling public the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth may supply and equip any county bridge within their respective counties with lights of such kind and character as they shall deem necessary

To carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners are authorized to contract with any indivdiual or with any municipal or private corporate for the purpose of supplying the necessary light

The cost of the construction erection and maintenance of any lights placed upon any such bridge shall be paid by the county

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171,

Albee,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mervine,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Sones,
Black,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Haight,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stern,
Burnett,	Helt,	Musser,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Neary,	Stoffiet,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Conner,	Horne,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Hough,	Powell,	Urich,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Richards,	Wells,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Ringler,	West,
Dell,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 449, as follows:

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in the certain counties of this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is hereby made the duty of

the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth having a population of more than five hundred thousand inhabitants and they are hereby authorized and empowered to keep the several county bridges within their respective counties in good condition and repair. All such work shall be done by contract or otherwise as shall seem to them expedient

Section 2 No contract shall be let for any such work until a proper resolution shall have been passed authorizing and directing the same All such contracts shall be let and entered into in the manner prescribed by law for the letting of county contracts

Section 3 The county commissioners shall have the authority when they deem it expedient so to do to cause such work to be done under the direction of the employes of such county having such work in charge and to that end to purchase such material and employ such labor as may be necessary

Section 4 The following acts or parts of acts to wit

Section four of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lewisville and Prospectville Turnpike Road Company in Montgomery County and relative to certain State roads in Allegheny and Washington Counties and in Luzerne Schuylkill and Columbia Counties and relating to the first United States Bank and Court of Quarter Sessions' approved April twenty-second one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to lateral railroads and county commissioners in Allegheny County to incorporate the New Castle and Enon Valley Plank Road Company in Lawrence County changing the word Beaver to that of Lawrence in a certain act approved the twenty-sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to the claim of Jacob Rheem and Daniel Beelman and to the estate of Mary Ann Taylor late of the City of Philadelphia deceased" approved the twelfth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and thirty-six)

Section six of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County'" approved the eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary" approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act requiring county commissioners to repair all county bridges and to pay the expense of such repairs out of the county treasury" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary' approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and twenty)

And all other acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 447, File Folio 895, on page 5 of to-day's calendar, bills on final passage postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 447, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of "An Act approved the eighteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled 'An Act for the better regulation of public pool rooms, billiard rooms, bowling saloons and tenpin alleys in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,'" and to regulate the time for closing the same.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—118.

Albee,	Gans,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Goodnough,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Baldridge,	Goodwin,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Beyer,	Graham,	Mervine,	Snowden,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Brumbaugh,	Haight,	Miller, Allan,	Spangler,
Burnett,	Haldeman,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hecht,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sprowls,
Campbell, T.,	Heffernan,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Canon,	Helt,	Milner,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Hess,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Christman,	Heyburn,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stofflet,
Coldsmith,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Strauss,
Cook,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Sullivan
Corbin,	Hollingsworth,	Ogden,	Sweitzer,
Cox,	Horne,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Curry,	Jack,	Powell,	Vickerman,
Davis, D. F.,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Dean,	Laucks,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wells,
Dell,	Leary,	Rich,	West.
Dewey,	Lewis,	Richards,	Whitaker,
Dunn,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Eby,	Marvin,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Ross,	Wylie,
Flynn,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Baldwin,
Fowler,	McCullough,	Scott,	Speaker.
Franklin,	McCurdy,		

NAYS—45.

Aron,	Erdman,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Fackler,	Palmer,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	Patterson,	Smith, J. W.,
Bovee,	Fretz,	Pickering,	Somerman,
Boyd,	Geary,	Ringler,	Stadtlander,
Crosby,	Golder,	Robertson,	Steedle,
Cummins,	Hollern,	Rogers,	Swartz,
Dithrich,	Hough,	Rothenberger,	Taylor,
Donneley,	Howarth,	Sampsel,	Weimer,
Drake,	Lauler,	Sarig,	Wickman,
Drinkhouse,	Mearkle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wobensmith,
			Zanders,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 856, entitled

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor," as amended, fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—177.

Albee,	Gans,	McVicar,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Baker,	Glass,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Golder,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Milner,	Somerman,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Burnett,	Hess,	Musser,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stern,

Clements,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Stites,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Cook,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Corbin,	Horton,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Cox,	Hough,	Powell,	Taylor,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cummins,	[illegible]	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Curry,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Dean,	Lauler,	Rich,	Wells,
Dell,	Leary,	Richards,	West,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Drinkhouse,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dunn,	Marvin,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Eby,	Maurer,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Ross,	Wood,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Flynn,	McKay,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Fowler,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Franklin,	McNichol,	Scott,	
Fretz,	McPeake,	Shaffer, C. A.,	

NAYS—2.

Black,	Chestnut,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 738, File Folio 1013, on page 9 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 738, entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads improved and maintained by such counties the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon and for the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I might just say a word on this bill. It was drafted and presented at the request of the commissioners of Allegheny County. There they have about seven hundred miles of improved road—that is macadam and brick road—and in looking after the roads they employ somewhere around two hundred men, styled caretakers, each man having from two to five miles of road to look after,—the removing of glass and obstructions and fixing poles, etc. This bill gives these men the right to have the power of a constable only during the time they are employed on the county roads. They have the power to make arrests for the violation of the traffic laws. In Allegheny County last year the coroner's office showed that there were two hundred and seventy deaths caused by accidents due to automobiles, and the commissioners feel that if these men had this power that this great big death rate would be greatly reduced. There is nothing gained by the men, by the caretakers. They do not get anything extra in the way of fines or costs, only their salaries. There is nothing absolute about the bill, any county can put it in force as they see fit.

On the question recurring?

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—152.

Albee,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Aron,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, J. W.,
Arthur,	Golder,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Aston,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Smith, O. W.,
Baker,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Snowden,
Baldi,	Gormley,	Murdoch,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Murphy,	Sones,
Bennett,	Gransback,	Musser,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Haight,	Neary,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Ogden,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Palmer,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Hess,	Patterson,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Swartz,
Conner,	Howarth,	Rich,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Jack,	Richards,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Walker,
Curry,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wells,
Dawson,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	West,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wickman,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Williams, G. W.
Dunn,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Woodward,
Fackler,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Wylie,
Flynn,	McPeake,	Shunk,	Zanders,
Fowler,	McVicar,	Siggins,	Baldwin,
Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,	Speaker.
Fretz,	Mehring,	Sinclair,	
Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,	

NAYS—15.

Baldridge,	Cook,	Leary,	Wallace.
Bidelspacher,	Dithrich,	Lohr,	Weimer.
Black,	Graeff,	Reichenbacker,	Williams, J. P.,
Clements,	Jennings,	Sweitzer,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 787 (Senate Bill No. 190), entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks, savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—184.

Albee,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Sones,
Black,	Graham,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Hecht,	Musser,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Palmer,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rich,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Richards,	Weimer,
Curry,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	West,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Wickman,

Dell,	Leary,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Lewis,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 788 (Senate Bill No. 191), entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by-products of coal tar and asphalt.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—180.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, Allan,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Miller, C. G.,	Spangler,
Black,	Haight,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Clements,	Horne,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Phillips,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Hough,	Pickering,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Howarth,	Powell,	Walker,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Walter,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wells,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rich,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dean,	Leary,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wood,
Donneley,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Drake,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Scott,	
Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—2.

Barner,	Stofflet,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendments.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 412.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 412, File Folio 1085, entitled

An Act prohibiting any officer, member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics, political movements or elections, from canvassing election precincts or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics, political movements or elections and providing penalties for violations thereof.

was defeated on third reading on Tuesday, March 20th, be reconsidered.

Mr. SINCLAIR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. McNichol. Mr. Speaker, this is the bill that was defeated last Tuesday morning on third reading. You, gentlemen who read this bill saw that it applies to Philadelphia only. There were statements made on this floor during the discussion that preceded the defeat of the bill on last Tuesday, and some of those statements would lead you to be disposed to believe that the police were used against certain of your fellow members. In order to satisfy myself as to the truth of that statement made by my colleague from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern, I called at the City Commissioner's office to-day and I got a copy of the official returns of the primary election at which the police opposed Mr. Stern. Now, you gentlemen who served in this House with the late lamented Charles J. Roney know that he was a man of honor and of no mean attainments. You recognize in his candidacy a formidable one, but, notwithstanding, his attributes the returns of the Fifth Ward with the police opposing Mr. Stern as he wishes you to believe, Mr. Crosby received 1,735 votes; Mr. Stern received 1,763; and Charles J. Roney received 70 votes. How do you reconcile a return of that character to the statement that the police were active in that contest? Now, gentlemen, this is a fight, I might say, confined entirely to the Philadelphia delegation. It is a factional fight that the men throughout this State have absolutely no concern in, and I submit for the consideration of you men, to recognize it as a factional fight and that it is not fair that you men should be dragged and bullyragged into changing your attitude that you assumed last Tuesday. This is not good legilsation because there is sufficient legislation on the statute books to-day covering the questions relating to police and firemen in Philadelphia. There is a charge that might be preferred if a fireman or policeman would do as some of my friends in the Philadelphia delegation have led you to suppose they did. They could be prosecuted for intimidating voters and interfering in the carrying on of quiet and orderly election. Read the provisions of this bill, gentlemen, and you will see that it is nothing more or less than an attempt made to show the power of certain gentlemen in the control of this legislative body. They say what will be done and what they will do if you are not good. There have been statements made on this floor relative to men of the Philadelphia delegation that they will be found always opposing good legislation. That statement is unfair and is untrue as it is unfair. We do not care what the charge may be that is preferred if it is founded on truth we are men who have had the courage to raise our voice in support or in opposition to a bill, and we have the courage of our convictions and will stand up and let you men judge whether we are fair or whether we are sincere. Much pressure has been brought to bear on this legislation. Why? Why should men out in the interior part of this State, in the outlying counties of Pennsylvania, come to the assistance of this legislation that was defeated after deliberate consideration by you men last Tuesday? If this was a measure that applied to every part of the State of Pennsylvania then they could very appropriately come to you and ask your support, but it is a matter that applies only to Philadelphia County and I am going to ask you men who stood up last Tuesday and maintained the courage you then displayed that by your vote to-night you repeat and drive off the floor of this House the factional politics that has been interjected and has consumed so much of your time on what has applied particularly to Philadelphia County. You can see that it is upon the merits of this bill irrespective of any interference; you can read this bill and know that it is absolutely unfair when

it provides that a man can be sent to prison or fined if he asks his neighbor to vote for a worthy candidate—a prison sentence staring him in the face. You know that this bill has no more merit to-night than it did last Tuesday and I hope that the manhood of this House will manifest itself to-night and I hope that you will put an end to this petty squabbling that has already taken too much of the time of this House.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I am always glad to have a conversation with my friend on any subject.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to know from the gentleman whether or not the mayor of Philadelphia is personally opposed to this bill?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I will state that being an humble citizen of Philadelphia and not the keeper of the mayor's thoughts or confidence, I know not. I never consulted the gentleman and I know of no man who is in a position to speak for the mayor any more than the gentleman who represents his district in this House, Mr. Hecht.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to further interrogate the gentleman and ask whether the director of the department of public safety of Philadelphia is opposed to this bill?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I answer in like manner. I don't spend my time in Philadelphia running around in the city hall finding out how men think. I do my own thinking on the floor of this House.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to further interrogate the gentleman.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to go on answering if he don't keep me here too late tonight.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker does the gentleman know of any political organization in the City of Philadelphia that is opposed to this bill?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I will state to this House that I do not know of any political organization of the City of Philadelphia that is either in favor of it or opposed, and even if they were in favor of it if it was bad legislation, notwithstanding their being in favor of it, I would still oppose it.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I am glad that my distinguished friend has answered a few interrogations that I have been permitted to make, in the manner in which he has seen fit to do. You may therefore take it for granted that there appears to be no one interested, so far as the administration of Philadelphia is concerned, no one appears to be either directly or indirectly concerned in this bill by reason of the fact that the eminent sponsor who has just taken his seat, who apparently represents whatever of hostility there is to this measure becoming a law, does not personally know anything concerning the attitude of the Mayor or his Police Director in the City of Pihladelphia. We may further take it for granted that whatever of contest has arisen over this bill has been needlessly made, primarily, for the purpose of drawing factional lines at a time when factional lines ought not to be drawn. I say to you candidly, as a member of this House, that I personally, when I spoke upon this measure last week, had had no interview either with the Mayor or his Director or with any political factor on either side of the political differences in our City and State concerning this bill. When I spoke in support of this bill I did so because I knew that a party of eminently respectable citizens in Philadelphia, who have taken an active part in political affairs for years in our city, known as the Committee of Seventy, stood behind this bill and asked its introduction in this House; that it was at their request that the bill was introduced; and notwithstanding all that may be said concerning any man in this chamber as to what he represents or what he does not represent politically, I had the absolute freedom of speaking in the manner I did last week out of the full sincerity of my conscience because I believe the measure to be in accordance with the character of reform which the citizenship at large, outside of all political powers, wanted enacted into a law for the benefit of a pure ballot. Unfortunately, the measure went to defeat by reason of the absence at the time from this chamber of many men who were not here to vote upon it and also because of the injection into the discussion at the time of factional reports, which they had no right to do, that divided the House. Personally, I cannot see why my own good friend and his friends should not vote with equal sincerity for this bill as I do and as those who will follow me in support of this bill. This bill is not directed at the Mayor of Philadelphia and it is not directed at his Director of Police. I want to say, speaking for myself, that I enjoy with both of them the closest relations of harmony and friendship notwithstanding anything that there may be of a factional contest from time to time in the City of Philadelphia. Unfortunately this factional talk was injected into the bill and men voted against it because they thought they were simply grinding an axe for one faction or the other in the City of Philadelphia. Now this bill is a worthy measure; it is a worthy measure because it enables the doing of something which under existing law cannot be done. Under the Shern Bill, which this apparently supplants, all that can be done is for the head of a department to send for the officer who commits the breach, suspend him from service pending investigation and perhaps expel him afterwards from the police force and that, as I told you last week, is very rarely done. This bill puts into the hands of the citizen that sovereign power which the law says he shall have to call into question the factor of wrong doing of any public servant. It puts into the hands of the citizens of the Commonwealth the right to go before a magistrate and issue a warrant for the violation of the law and see that he who violates this law is justly punished, and it don't wait for the director or head of any department to make up his mind whether or not to take advantage of the wrong which has been done. It puts in the hands of an independent power the discretion they may not want to exercise because a superior perhaps has given the orders which he carried to the people at large. This bill is a reform measue and has no more of a label for one side of the House than for the other. Unfortunately, the very defeat of this bill has been heralded as a victory for some faction in the City of Philadelphia when it ought not to have been. It is a bill, as will be readily seen, backed entirely by the reform organization of the City of Philadelphia as part of their own general plan among a number of bills which will come before the House hereafter for the purification of our city government and the State government and is a line of work which is needed not only in this Commonwealth but many of the cities and States of the country. I feel that as so many members of this chamber were absent when the vote was taken on this measure on final passage last week that I would be glad to vote for this reconsideration. I sincerely believe that justice has not been done on this bill and I see no reason for the unjust reflection upon the bill being a factional bill. It seems to me that if this proposition was fairly presented both sides would support this bill. If it does injury to one it would likely do injury to another. I take it for granted that it cannot do injury anywhere except where the law is openly violated. All this talk about denying the policeman or fireman the exercise of his franchise in buncomb and thrown out to prejudice your mind against this bill. All this bill seeks to stop is the pernicious interference of the police and firemen with the orderly conduct of the election. This refers to Philadelphia, of course, because as a city of the first class, with thousands of policemen and firemen, it is a mighty army in itself that needs to be controlled by some good legislation of this character; and it is all wrong to appeal to the prejudices of men outside of the City of Philadelphia and say to them, it is unfair to you to ask you to reconsider the bill because it does not appeal to you in person because it is not directed to your own city or district that you happen to come from. I therefore trust that every man will vote for the reconsideration of this bill in order, if there is anything too drastic in it, as suggested by those who voted against it, we may have it referred back to the committee and strike out the objectionable features with regard to the sentence to be imposed by the court and see if we cannot come to some common understanding on the subject.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia (Mr. Beyer).

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia (Mr. Beyer) permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I will if the gentleman don't keep me out too late.

Mr. McNICHOL. Owing to the intimate relationship existing between you and the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety, have they expressed an opposition to this bill?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, they have not.

Mr. McNICHOL. And the bill emanates from reform quarters?

Mr. BEYER. The Committee of Seventy.

Mr. McNICHOL. How long have you been a reformer?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to answer that question. I have never been what might be termed a chronic reformer because I believe that too much reform at times begins to stink; but I believe that there are times when either the Democratic Party or the Republican Party can make up its mind to pass a worthy measure without being a chronic reformer.

Mr. McNICHOL. Then, Mr. Speaker, I am surprised at the gentleman trying to butt into good society.

Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Speaker, I feel that the members of the House are fully informed on this measure. We had it debated most thoroughly on last Tuesday, and again on this motion of reconsideration we have heard it expounded by two of the ablest gentlemen in this House. I feel that under the circumstances, it would be a wise thing to move the previous question, so that we can——

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will probably not have to move the previous question.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Glass and Mr. Milner and were as follows:

YEAS—97.

Albee,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Baker,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Graham,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Lauler,	Richards,	Strauss,
Christman,	Leary,	Ringler,	Sullivan,
Crosby,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Swartz,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Taylor,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Rogers,	Ulsh,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Vogdes,
Donneley,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Weimer,
Drake,	McKinney,	Scott,	West,
Erdman,	McPeake,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Whitaker,
Fitzgibbon,	McVicar,	Shattuck,	Wood,
Flynn,	Mearkle,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Fretz,	Michel,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Sinclair,	

NAYS—88.

Aron,	Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Rothenberger,
Arthur,	Dunn,	Marvin,	Rudisill,
Baldi,	Eby,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Barner,	Fackler,	McCurdy,	Simpson,
Benchoff,	Fowler,	McKay,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Steedle,
Black,	Geary,	Mehring,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Stites,
Canon,	Golder,	Milner,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Gormley,	Mitchell,	Thomas,
Clements,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Haight,	Murphy,	Walker,
Conner,	Hecht,	Musser,	Wallace,
Cook,	Helt,	Ogden,	Walter,
Corbin,	Hess,	Palmer,	Wells,
Cox,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Wickman,
Cummins,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Williams, G. W.
Curry,	Horne,	Reynolds,	Williams, J. P.,
Davis, D. F.,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wobensmith,
Dawson,	Jack,	Rich,	Wylie,
Dean,	Jones,	Robertson,	Zanders,
Dell,	Kennedy,	Ross,	

So the question was determined in the affirmative, and the motion was agreed to.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 412 be placed on the postponed calendar.

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER declared the "yeas" appear to have it.

Whereupon a division was called for, one hundred seven gentlemen, more than a majority of the whole House, having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 170, File Folio 1029, bills on third reading postponed, on page 9 of to-day's calendar.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 170, entitled

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—49.

Aron,	Davis, D. F.,	McVicar,	Snyder,
Baldi,	Dean,	Mehring,	Stadtlander,
Baldridge,	Fackler,	Michel,	Stites,
Black,	Franklin,	Miller, Allan,	Sweitzer,
Bovee,	Glass,	Mitchell,	Thomas,
Burnett,	Golder,	Morgan, T.,	Walker,
Campbell, J. O.,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Wallace,
Canon,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Walter,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Musser,	Wickman,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Patterson,	Wylie,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Baldwin,
Corbin,	Jack,	Ross,	Speaker.
Cox,	Kennedy,	Smith, F. I.,	

NAYS—98.

Albee,	Gans,	McKinney,	Scott,
Baker,	Goodnough,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Benninger,	Graham,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Miller, A. D.,	Siggins,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, J. W.,
Boyd,	Hess,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Milner,	Spangler,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Speicher,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sprowls,
Crosby,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Steedle,
Cummins,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Stern,
Curry,	Horton,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Davis, W.,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Dawson,	Jones,	Reichenbacker,	Swartz,
Dell,	Leary,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Ulsh,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Richards,	Weimer,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Ringler,	West,
Drake,	Marvin,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Fitzgibbon,	McArdle,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Flynn,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Fretz,	McKay,	Sarig,	

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative, and the bill falls.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 3.

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move you that House Bill No. 412, File Folio 1085, entitled

An Act prohibiting any officer, member or employe of any department or bureau having charge of police and fire protection of any city of the first class in this Commonwealth from taking any active part in politics, political movements or elections, from canvassing election precincts or from interfering with elections or from using his office to influence politics, political movements or elections and providing penalties for violation thereof.

which a few moments ago was placed on the postponed calendar, known as the "Police and Firemen's Bill" be referred back to the Committee on Judiciacy Special for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 499 (Senate Bill No. 57), entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—159.

Albee,	Eby,	McArdle,	Shunk,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Flynn,	McKay,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Sones,
Benninger,	Glass,	Mervine,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Speicher,
Black,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Gransback,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hess,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Powell,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Corbin,	Horton,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Cox,	Hough,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walter,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Rich,	West,
Curry,	Jack,	Richards,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wood,
Dewey,	Leary,	Ross,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Drake,	Malie,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.
Dunn,	Maurer,	Scott,	

NAYS—1.

Lewis,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendment.

MR. RAMSEY IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 424 (Senate Bill No. 9), entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I should like to know if someone in this body is able to explain the provisions of this bill. It is a Senate bill, but I think the House should know something about it.

Mr. DITRICH. Mr. Speaker, I would say that I am not thoroughly familiar with all the provisions of this bill, but I think I could explain it. Provision is made for paid fire departments, having superseded the volunteer fire departments now in existence in a great many parts of the State, for retaining the corporate entity of those several volunteer fire organizations.

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, I should like to interrogate the gentleman from Pittsburgh, Mr. Dithrich.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Pittsburgh, Mr. Ditrich, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. DITRICH. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, how does this apply to those companies that are semi-paid? Is there any bearing on that? There are many volunteer fire companies that receive compensation from the borough or city and still maintain a volunteer membership.

Mr. DITRICH. Mr. Speaker as I understand it, this applies only to purely volunteer fire organizations, and not to semi-paid organizations.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, this bill might work some harm to the general public as distinguished from the members of volunteer fire organizations. I do not know how volunteer fire organizations are conducted in all parts of the Commonwealth, but I have some personal knowledge of our own, and I apprehend the situation is not materially different in different towns in the State. The money always comes from the public, at least to a great extent, by means of fairs and festivals, voluntary contributions and often money is voted by the municipal authorities. I do happen to know of one case which arose in the Borough of Bethlehem a good many years ago, where when a fire organization was dissolved, the borough intervened in court and had the funds accumulated decreed to the members. Now, if it is the effect of this bill to place contributions, given by the public, in the hands of those members of the fire companies who happen to maintain their membership, and I see they are described in the bill "those who are under the by-laws of the company entitled to vote," it would not be a very good practice to devote those accumulations to the benefit of the membership of the company. As I understand this bill from a brief and cursory reading of it, it permits the accumulations in volunteer fire companies to be turned over to the members of the company, and the public which contributed to the fire companies is left out of it altogether. If the members of the House think that is a fair proposition, why then the bill ought to be passed, but the public rights under this bill would be absolutely sacrificed. Virtually, when you contribute to a fire company you look upon it as a charitable contribution, and you do not expect that money to go into the pockets of the individual members, even if a paid fire department be established.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, this bill says, "that may be desirous of continuing or maintaining their corporate existence for literary, charitable, benevolent or loan and trust purposes whatever." That "loan or trust purposes," would that give the fire company the right to go into the banking business with the funds they would have on hand?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I move the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 510 (Senate Bill No. 126), entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities, organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—169.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Gans,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haight,	Milliron,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stern,
Brady,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Clements,	Horne,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wells,
Curry,	Jones,	Rich,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Malie,	Rogers,	Wood,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,			

NAYS—3.

Dell,	McCurdy,	Siggins,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 423 (Senate Bill No. 96), entitled

An Act to amend section nine of Article seven of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—165.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Baker,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Graham,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Haight,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stern,
Brady,	Hecht,	Neary,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hess,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Hoffman,	Powell,	Taylor,
Conner,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Weimer,
Curry,	Jack,	Richards,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Jennings,	Ringler,	West,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dell,	Laucks,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Lauler,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Donneley,	Lohr,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Drake,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	

NAYS—11.

Horne,	McKay,	Milner,	Wallace,
Horton,	McKinney,	Mitchell,	Walter,
Maurer,	Mehring,	Robertson,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 785 (Senate Bill No. 188), entitled

An Act authorizing executors, administrators, guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—167.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baker,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Golder,	Michel,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Stern,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Wallace,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Weimer,
Curry,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	West,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Richards,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Leary,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wood,
Drake,	Luppert,	Ross,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Eby,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.

NAYS—1.

Canon,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendment.

Agreealy to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 786 (Senate Bill No. 189), entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, its amendments or supplements.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—175.

Albee,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milner,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Helt,	Musser,	Stern,
Brady,	Hess,	Neary,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollern,	Perry,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hough,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Clements,	Howarth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walter,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Richards,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McKay,	Scott,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House of Representatives has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 633, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds; providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—165.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Shattuck,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Shunk,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mervine,	Siggins,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Benninger,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Black,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bovee,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sones,
Boyd,	Gransback,	Milner,	Spangler,
Brady,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Campbell, J. O.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Campbell, T.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Canon,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Helt,	Musser,	Stites,
Christman,	Hess,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Clements,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Coldsmith,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Swartz,
Cook,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Corbin,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cox,	Horton,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Curry,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rich,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lauler,	Richards,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Leary,	Ringler,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Wood,
Drake,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Wynne,
Eby,	Maurer,	Ross,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Rothenberger,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McCullough,	Sarig,	

NAYS—3.

Fretz,	Sterling,	West,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 439, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. ALBEE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. BECHTOLD. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 451, entitled

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds if certain life insurance and annuity contracts bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the sponsor of this bill explain the purposes of it.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 815, entitled

An Act authorizing Wilbur Jones Kay, Fanny Kay his wife, Ellingwood Kay, Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay, their children, residents of the Boroughs of East Washington and Mabel Mason, resident of the Borough of Washington, all of Washington County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the sponsor of this bill explain its provisions.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 773, entitled

An Act authorizing directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care, treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would like the sponsor to explain this bill.

Mr. JONES. Mr. Speaker, the title of the bill explains the bill thoroughly, that it authorizes the directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or furnish rooms for the care of persons temporarily insane.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—168.

Albee,	Eby,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Mervine,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Sones,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Milner,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Brady,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Murphy,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Taylor,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Phillips,	Uish,
Conner,	Hough,	Pickering,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Powell,	Walker,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rich,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Richards,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Leary,	Ringler,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Wylie,
Drake,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 612, as follows:

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the armed organized land forces of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be and constitute the National Guard thereof styled the Pennsylvania National Guard and shall be subject at all times to the orders of the officers thereof

Section 2 Definitions—For the purposes of this act the words "National Defense Act" shall be taken to mean an act of Congress entitled "An Act for making further and more effectual provision for the national defense and for other purposes" approved by the President June third nineteen hundred and sixteen and any and all acts that may hereafter be enacted amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto The word "company" shall apply to and indicate the infantry headquarters supply cavalry field artillery engineer signal field hospital machine gun ambulance and field bakery units corresponding in general organization to a company of infantry The words "regiment" and "battalion" shall apply to any organization of any arm of the service equal in organization to a regiment or battalion of infantry as the case may be or so denominated by law

Section 3 Composition of the National Guard—The National Guard of this Commonwealth including the existing organizations shall consist of nine regiments of infantry one regiment of engineers one regiment of cavalry three regiments of field artillery the signal corps the field bakery the brigade and division headquarters with their detachments and troops four field hospitals four ambulance companies an administrative staff corps an adjutant-general's department an inspector-general's department a judge-advocate-general's department a medical department a quartermaster corps and the necessary additional officers and enlisted men to be detailed to and form the staff of the respective division and brigade headquarters Hereafter the enlisted personnel of all the organizations of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall at all times be maintained at a strength not below the minimum strength fixed by act of Congress or the President and the rules and regulations promulgated in relation thereto The mobile troops of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be organized as far as practicable into brigades and a division

Section 4 Increase in Organizations—Should at any time the total number of enlisted men allotted as the strength of the Pennsylvania National Guard under and pursuant to the provisions of the National Defense Act and all acts of Congress amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto exceed the number required to complete the organizations hereinbefore provided for at their proper numerical strength then and in such case the Governor as commander-in-chief shall have the power and is hereby authorized and directed to prescribe in orders for the organization of any and all such additional units as may be required to conform as far as practicable to the requirements for the National Guard under the laws of the United States and to form the same into battalions regiments brigades and divisions as the total numerical strength may require

Section 5 Powers of the Governor—The Governor of this Commonwealth as commander-in-chief shall have the power and is hereby authorized and directed to alter increase divide annex consolidate disband organize or reorganize any organization department corps or staff so as to conform as far as practicable to any organization system drill instruction corps or staff uniform or equipment or period of enlistment now or hereafter prescribed by the laws of the United States and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder for the organization and regulation of the National Guard for that purpose the number of officers noncommissioned officers and enlisted men of any grade in any organization department corps or staff may be increased or diminished and the grade of such officers non-commissioned officers and enlisted men may be altered to the extent necessary to secure as far as practicable such uniformity Officers rendered surplus by either the disbandment consolidation or reorganization of their respective organizations shall be placed in the national guard reserve or such officers may be held as supernumerary officers during the unexpired portion of their respective commissions at the sole discretion of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and the period of time for which such officers are held as supernumerary may be included in computing the necessary length of service to entitle a commissioned officer to be placed upon the retired list

The Governor as Commander-in-Chief shall have power in case of war invasion insurrection riot or imminent danger thereof to increase the land forces of this Commonwealth and organize the same in accordance with the existing rules and regulations governing the armies of the United States as the exigency of the occasion may require and such organization and increase may be either pursuant to or in advance of any call made by the President

Section 6 General Officers of the Line—Officers commissioned to and holding in the Pennsylvania National Guard the grade of a general officer shall hereafter be known as general officers of the line The number of general officers of the line is hereby fixed at one major-general and not to exceed five brigadier generals General officers shall be appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate but no person shall be appointed a general officer who shall not have served at least fifteen years as a commissioned officer either in the National Guard of any state territory or the District of Columbia or in the United States Army or both Provided however that no officer commissioned as major-general shall remain in command of a division for a longer period than five years Provided further That should said period of five years terminate while such officer is in the active service of the United States the Governor may re-appoint and re-commission him to serve during the further period of such active service

Section 7 Administrative Staff—There shall be an administrative staff composed of so many commissioned officers and enlisted men in addition to the officers and enlisted men of the staffs of the higher tactical units as the same are now or may be hereafter authorized and the Governor is hereby authorized to commission such officers in such number and of such grades and to enlist and warrant such non-commissioned officers in such grades as may comply with the rules and regulations now in force or hereafter to be promulgated in relation thereto Such administrative staff shall furnish the necessary officers and men to provide the administrative sanitary and supply personnel for mobilization and recruiting purposes for the Pennsylvania National Guard in federal service and shall perform such other duties as may be required of them by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief

Section 8 Powers of the Division Commander—The Major-General Commanding the Division Pennsylvania National Guard shall have in time of peace so far as practicable all the power and authority of the Commanding General of a tactical division under the rules and regulations prescribed or hereafter to be prescribed for the government of the armies of the United States subject to the orders and direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief He may with the consent of the Commander-in-Chief employ such clerical and other force as may be required at his headquarters who shall be paid by the Adjutant General such rates of compensation as may be deemed by the Commander-in-Chief just and proper

Section 9 Medical Department The medical department shall consist of the medical corps the dental corps the veterinary corps and the enlisted men pertaining thereto The commissioned officers of the medical corps shall be proportionately distributed among the several grades and assigned to duty with troops in such number and of such grades as may comply with the rules and regulations promulgated in relation thereto The enlisted force of the medical department shall consist of such personnel as may conform as far as practicable to the enlisted personnel now or hereafter provided by law or regulations therefor Original enlistments for the medical department shall be made in the grade of private and re-enlistments and promotions of enlisted men therein shall be governed by such regulations as may be promulgated relating thereto

The Governor is hereby authorized to appoint and commission dental surgeons at the rate of one for each one thousand enlisted men of the line of the Pennsylvania National Guard Dental Surgeons shall have the rank and pay of dental surgeons of like grade and service in the regular army

Section 10 Veterinarians The Governor is hereby authorized to appoint such veterinarians and assistant veterinarians as may be necessary to comply with the rules and regulations promulgated in relation thereto and said veterinarians and assistant veterinarians shall constitute the veterinary corps Pennsylvania National Guard They shall have the rank and pay of veterinarians and assistant veterinarians of like grade and service in the regular army

Section 11 Composition of Units The composition of all units of the Pennsylvania National Guard including the commissioned and enlisted personnel thereof other than those specifically provided for in this act shall be fixed from time to time by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and announced in General Orders and shall as far as practicable be in accordance and in compliance with such regulations as may be promulgated by the Secretary of War for the composition of the National Guard Every such order shall have the same force and effect as if specifically enacted and provided for by statute

Section 12 Commissions of Officers and Prescribed Oath All commissioned officers shall be appointed by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and be commissioned accordingly to the grade in the department corps or arm of the service in which they are appointed and shall be assigned to duty by the Commander-in-Chief They shall take and subscribe the following oaths "I ..... do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Pennsylvania against all enemies foreign and domestic that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and of the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania that I make this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of ..... in the National Guard of the United States and of the State of Pennsylvania upon which I am about to enter so help me God" No officer shall be commissioned until he shall have successfully passed such tests as to his physical moral and professional fitness as shall be prescribed in relation thereto

Section 13 Continuity of Rank Whenever an officer shall be recommissioned in the same grade or commissioned in a lower grade than that in which he has served in the Pennsylvania National Guard within three months after the expiration or termination of his previous commission he shall take rank from the date given in his previous commission Provided That when a commissioned officer has been in continuous service as such service and commission in a higher grade shall not affect the continuity of rank when such officer shall be recommissioned in a lower grade in which he has previously served

Section 14 Elimination and Disposition of Officers At any time the moral character capacity and general fitness for the service of any Pennsylvania National Guard officer may be determined by an efficiency board of three commissioned officers senior in rank if possible to the officer whose fitness for service shall be under investigation appointed by the Governor in case of general officers and departmental officers and the Commanding General of the Division in all other cases and if the findings of such board be unfavorable to such officer and be approved by the Governor he shall be discharged Commissions of officers of the National Guard may be vacated upon transfer to National Guard Reserve resignation absence without leave for three months upon the recommendation of an efficiency board pursuant to sentence of a court-martial if recourse has been had to the sureties on his bond in the settlement of his financial or property accounts or if he has been convicted of an infamous crime

Section 15 Vacation of Commission by Promotion When a commissioned officer of the Pennsylvania National Guard is appointed to another office therein and accepts the same such acceptance shall vacate the office previously held

Section 16 Administration of Oaths General field and administrative staff officers are hereby authorized and empowered to administer oaths and affirmations in all matters appertaining to or concerning the Pennsylvania National Guard and the commanding officers of companies are authorized and empowered to administer oaths and affirmations in the enlistments of recruits for their respective organizations Any person who shall falsely swear or affirm to any oath or affirmation before any such officer shall be deemed guilty of perjury and upon trial and conviction thereof shall be sentenced for such offense as provided by law

Section 17 Temporary Detail by Commanding Officers When a company is without commissioned officers from any cause the commanding officer of the regiment of which it is a part or if not part of a regiment then the division commander shall detail an officer to command said organization until an officer has been appointed or assigned thereto

Section 18 Term of office of general field and line officers The term of every general field and line officer and departmental officer other than those provided for in section nineteen shall be for five years unless his commission be otherwise lawfully determined and annulled Provided that all commissions in force in the National Guard of Pennsylvania at the time of the passage of this act shall continue in force in the Pennsylvania National Guard for the unexpired portion thereof subject to termination as herein provided All appointments to the grade of second lieutenant shall be provisional for a period of one year at the close of which period such appointments shall be made for a full term of five years if the appointee shall have demonstrated under such regulations as may be prescribed in relation thereto his suitability and moral professional and physical fitness therefor and should any appointee be deemed unfit by the Commander-in-Chief his appointment shall be terminated should any such appointee be promoted to a higher grade before the expiration of said one year he shall receive a provisional appointment in such higher grade under like conditions as apply to the appointment of a second lieutenant

Section 19 Term of office of certain staff officers No person shall hereafter be appointed as a staff officer nor as an officer of the pay inspection subsistence or medical department unless such person shall have had previous military experience Every person so appointed to any office or position designated in this section shall hold his position until he shall have reached the age of sixty-four years unless retired prior to that time by reason of resignation transfer to reserve disability or for cause determined by a court-martial legally convened for that purpose or by proceedings by an efficiency board constituted for that purpose All vacancies among said officers holding positions specified in this section shall be filled by appointment from the officers of the Pennsylvania National Guard Provided that when a vacancy occurs in the Adjutant General's Department inspector general's department judge advocate general's department quartermaster's corps ordnance department or signal corps the same may be filled in the discretion of the Governor by the detail of a line officer of the grade in which the vacancy exists Such detail shall be for a period of not to exceed five

years at the expiration of which time the officer unless re-detailed shall be assigned to fill a vacancy in his grade in any line organization that the Governor may direct The detail of an officer under the provisions of this section shall create a vacancy in his grade and organization which shall be filled in the same manner as a vacancy due to any other cause

Section 20 Bonds of officers Certain commissioned officers shall give bonds with corporate surety as follows Officers appointed or detailed as quartermaster of the grade of colonel lieutenant colonel or major severally in the sum of two thousand dollars captains of all companies and commanding officers of field hospitals and ambulance companies severally in the sum of two thousand dollars lieutenants of each and all of said organizations and other captains assigned to field hospitals or ambulance companies severally in the sum of one thousand dollars Provided that The Adjutant General may require a bond in such amount as he may deem sufficient of any officer who may become responsible either for public funds or public property or both The form of all bonds shall be prescribed and furnished by The Adjutant General and shall be conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of the respective offices and the proper accounting for public moneys or public property or both entrusted to said officer and for the safe-keeping and return of the property of the state issued and entrusted to them by The Adjutant General and of the property of the United States issued and entrusted to them by the United States property and disbursing officer or acquired by transfer or inventory or on memorandum receipt or by purchase from State funds whenever and as often as demand is made upon the principal in said bond for an accounting or the payment back of said money and accounting for or invoicing to a designated officer the property issued or assigned to said officers

Section 21 Pay of officers on special duty Commissioned officers may be ordered upon special duty at the discretion of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and shall receive the pay of their respective grades during the time they may continue upon duty under such order Provided that when the duty required of them is a duty enjoined by law or regulations upon an officer of higher grade the officer so detailed shall receive the pay of such higher grade

Section 22 Retirement of officers Commissioned officers who shall have served forty years either as an officer or enlisted man or both in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall upon application made to The Adjutant General be retired from active service and placed upon the retired list as of the next higher grade except a major-general whose grade upon the retired list shall remain the same and when any commissioned officer is sixty-four years of age he shall be retired from active service and may be placed upon the retired list as of the next higher grade except a major-general whose grade on the retired list shall remain the same Provided that service in the volunteer forces of the United States or in the army navy or marine corps thereof during the war for the suppression of the rebellion or the war with Spain in Mexican border service or in other federal service may be inculded as of twice its actual length in computing the forty years of service required for retirement The Governor as commander-in-chief shall have power and is hereby authorized to relieve from active service and place upon the retired list as of the next higher grade any commissioned officer who has served continuously in any one grade for fifteen years The commission of any officer so relieved from active duty and placed upon the retired list shall be considered as terminated and the office held by him as vacated When an officer has become incapable from any cause of performing the duties of his office he may be ordered before an efficiency board created as herein provided and sitting as a retiring board If he is found disqualified by reason of physical disability incurred in the line of duty he may be retired as of the next higher grade but if he is found disqualified for any other reason he shall be retired without increase in grade The action of every such board shall be subject to the approval of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief

Section 23 Holding Officers as Supernumerary Pending Settlement A commissioned officer responsible for State funds or State property or property of the United States issued to him by The Adjutant-General or United States Property and Disbursing Officer or acquired by transfer inventory or purchase from annual allowance of State funds who may tender his resignation and whose accounts are not settled may be relieved from active duty by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and held as supernumerary pending settlement of his accounts and when so relieved from active duty the office in which he is commissioned or to which he has been assigned shall be considered as vacated Provided that a commissioned officer so held as supernumerary shall be amenable to court-martial for military offenses to the same extent and in like manner as if upon the active list

Section 24 Enlistment in the National Guard Hereafter the period of enlistment in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be for six years the first three years of which shall be in an active organization and the remaining three years in the National Guard Reserve and the qualifications for enlistment shall be the same as those prescribed for admission to the Regular Army Provided that the privilege of continuing in active service during the whole of an enlistment period and of re-enlisting in said service shall not be denied by reason of anything contained herein

Section 25 Enlistment Contract Every man enlisting in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall sign an enlistment contract and take and subscribe to the following oath of enlistment "I do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this ..... day of ..... 19.. as a soldier in the National Guard of the United States and of the State of Pennsylvania for the period of three years in service and three years in the reserve under the conditions prescribed by law unless sooner discharged by proper authority And I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America and to the State of Pennsylvania and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and of the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania and of the officers appointed over me according to law and the rules and articles of war"

Section 26 Discharge of Enlisted Men from the National Guard An enlisted man discharged from service in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall receive a discharge in writing in such form and with such classification as is or shall be prescribed for the Regular Army and in time of peace discharges may be given prior to the expiration of terms of enlistment under such regulations as the Governor may prescribe subject to the restrictions of the National Defense Act

Section 27 Disbandment of Companies If it appears to the Governor as Commander-in-Chief that a company of the Pennsylvania National Guard has failed to comply with the requirements of the law in matters of uniform equipment discipline or efficiency so that it cannot discharge the duties required of it such company may be disbanded by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may disband any company if in his judgment the interests of the service justify it subject to the restrictions of the National Defense Act

Section 28 The Adjutant-General The Governor shall appoint by and with the consent of the Senate The Adjutant-General who shall hold office for the term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified but he may be removed at any time by the Governor He shall give bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars in such form and with such sureties as may be approved by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief He shall have the custody of all books accounts and military property of the Commonwealth issued by it pertaining to the Pennsylvania National Guard He shall distribute all orders from the Commander-in-Chief and perform such other duties as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief shall direct He shall make a return annually in duplicate of the Pennsylvania National Guard and a report of their arms uniforms accoutrements and ammunition according to such forms as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War one copy to be filed in the office of The Adjutant-General and one copy to be forwarded to the Secretary of War He may with the consent of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief employ such emergency clerical and other force as may be required in his department or at the State Arsenal who shall be paid such rates of compensation as may be by him deemed just and proper He shall pay the troops and make all other disbursements authorized by this act by warrants drawn by him upon the Treasurer of the Commonwealth countersigned by the Auditor General He shall supply to all officers of the Pennsylvania National Guard copies of drill regulations manuals of rifle practice service manuals and military publications forms and books prescribed for use of the United States Army as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may designate He may with the approval of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief sell or exchange from time to time such military stores belonging to the Commonwealth as are found unserviceable or in state of decay or which it may be deemed for the best interests of the Commonwealth to sell or exchange all moneys received for stores so sold shall be paid into the Treasury of the Commonwealth

Section 29 Retention of Ancient Privileges Any corps of artillery cavalry or infantry existing in this State on the passage of the Act of Congress of May eighth seventeen hundred and ninety-two which by the laws customs or usages of this State has been in continuous existence since the passage of said act shall be allowed to retain its ancient privileges subject nevertheless to all duties required by law of the militia Provided That said organizations may be a part of the Pennsylvania National Guard and entitled to all the privileges thereof and shall conform in all respects except as to cornets to the organization discipline and training of the National Guard in time of war Provided further That for the purposes of training and when on active duty in the service of the United States they may be assigned to higher units as the Governor may direct and shall be subject to the orders of officers under whom they shall be serving

Section 30 Exemption from Arrest No officer or enlisted man shall be arrested on any warrant except for treason or felony while going to remaining at or returning from a place where he is ordered to attend for military duty

Section 31 Encampments and Maneuvers Camps of instruction combined camps with troops of the Regular Army and of other states practice marches maneuvers and other exercises including outdoor target practice shall be held at such times and places and for such organizations and for such periods as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may direct none of which shall exceed fifteen days in any one year During such tour of duty an inspection shall be made by such officers as may be designated for that purpose by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief For services during such tours of duty commissioned officers shall be entitled to the same pay and transportation in kind as officers of like grade of the Regular Army are or may hereafter

be entitled to by law and any such payments not made from Federal funds except longevity pay shall be payable from State funds by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner For services during such tours of duty all enlisted men shall be entitled to and shall receive the per diem pay hereinafter prescribed Provided That the difference between the rate of pay for enlisted men as hereinafter provided in this act and the amount that may be received from the Federal Government at Federal rate of pay shall be paid from State funds by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner and in addition thereto enlisted men shall be entitled to transportation in kind and subsistence

Section 32 Pay of Officers and Men on Active Duty and State Service When the Pennsylvania National Guard or any part thereof is ordered on active duty by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and pay is authorized for such duty under the order prescribing the performance thereof the commissioned officers so ordered shall be entitled to the same pay as officers of like grade in the Regular Army of the United States Enlisted men so ordered on active duty shall be entitled to per diem pay as follows Quartermaster sergeants senior grade quartermaster corps master hospital sergeants master engineers senior grade band leaders master signal electricians quartermaster sergeants first class ordnance sergeants first sergeants sergeants first class of engineers signal troops and medical department hospital sergeants medical department regimental and battalion supply sergeants color sergeants and sergeants major three dollars ($3.00) quartermaster sergeants sergeants of engineers and signal troops master engineers junior grade assistant band leaders and sergeant buglers two dollars and twenty-five cents ($2.25) sergeants including supply stable and mess sergeants of infantry cavalry and artillery field hospitals ambulance companies and bands chief mechanics of artillery corporals of engineers quartermaster corps ordnance department signal corps and bands horseshoers musicians first class and cooks of all organizations two dollars ($2.00) corporals of all other arms artificers saddlers wagoners farriers mechanics of artilley and musicians second class one dollar and seventy-five cents ($1.75) musicians third class and privates first class of all arms of the service one dollar and sixty cents ($1.60) privates of all arms of the service and buglers one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) Each enlisted man who after having served three years with the colors shall continue in service with the colors shall be entitled to and receive additional pay to the rate heretofore named in this section of twenty-five cents per day while so serving with the colors the balance of his original enlistment and a like amount for the first three years of any re-enlistment which additional payments shall be made in such manner and upon such forms as The Adjutant-General may direct Provided however That such service pay shall not exceed in any case the sum of fifty cents per day All payments of per diem pay and service pay shall be made by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner No deductions shall be made from the pay of officers or enlisted men in active service for dues or other financial obligations imposed by any by-laws rules or regulations of a civic character

Section 33 Transportation and Expenses of Officers on Special Duty Officers in attendance upon courts-martial boards of examination efficiency boards and other necessary duty as prescribed by The Adjutant-General shall receive transportation in kind as may be provided for in orders and the necessary expenses lawfully incurred in the performance of any such duty shall be paid upon proper vouchers duly approved by the officer under whose orders the duty is performed

Section 34 Annual Appropriations Organizations of the Pennsylvania National Guard found upon examination of the reports made by an inspecting officer duly detailed for that purpose to be up to the standard required in strength drill discipline and efficiency shall receive in annual allowance the following sums of money per annum which shall be used and expended solely for military purposes and for the use and benefit of the organization Each troop of cavalry machine gun troop battery of field artillery and signal corps company fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) each mounted headquarters troop and headquarters company of artillery including band section fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) if without band section seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750) each supply company of mounted troops seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750) each machine gun company and headquarters company of dismounted troops including band section six hundred dollars ($600) each supply company of dismounted troops four hundred dollars ($400) each company of infantry field hospital and ambulance company five hundred dollars ($500) a field bakery such an amount as may be determined by The Adjutant-General not to exceed four hundred dollars ($400) the said allowances to be paid by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner to the commanding officer of the respective organization but it shall be the duty of The Adjutant-General before paying any of the said allowance in money to procure by purchase or otherwise and issue for each enlisted man not already provided therewith such articles of dress uniform and such articles of service uniform and equipment as are required for field service and also such mess tents kitchen tents and military stores required by the respective organizations not furnished and paid for out of federal funds and charge the cost of same to the said annual allowance and the balance if any to be paid and disbursed as hereinafter provided Provided however That any regiment battalion squadron or company may at its own expense provide itself with other uniforms of such style and pattern as a majority of its officers may select and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may direct make a return to The property of the organization or the individual members thereof No portion of any allowance made by the State to any organization shall be expended in procuring such special uniforms or in repairing or caring for the same No part of the annual allowances paid under the provisions of this act to the several organizations of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be used in the purchase erection or construction of any armory unless the title thereto be vested in the Commonwealth The commanding officer of each organization shall at such time as the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may direct make a return to The Adjutant-General containing an itemized account and statement of all disbursements of the money appropriated and paid to said organization and not previously accounted for which account and statement shall be verified by the proper original vouchers for such disbursements this accounting to be made under and in accordance with such regulations as may be prescribed by the Commander-in-Chief

Section 35 Military Board The Military Board shall consist of The Adjutant-General Auditor General and State Treasurer who shall meet at such times as may be necessary and whose duty it shall be to audit and adjust all claims incident to the organization discipline maintenance and service of the Pennsylvania National Guard other than fixed allowances and which claims on the approval of said Military Board shall be paid by The Adjutant General in the usual manner Each member of the Military Board shall be paid an annual salary of six hundred dollars ($600)

Section 36 Armory Rent The commanding officer of each organization excepting division brigade regimental squadron or battalion headquarters in addition to annual allowances provided for herein and under the same requirements and not occupying an armory owned by the Commonwealth shall be paid an annual allowance of two hundred dollars ($200) by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner said annual allowance to be devoted exclusively to the payment of rent of armory

Section 37 Horse Hire The payment of hire of horses for such officers and enlisted men as are required to be mounted and for horses necessary for batteries of field artillery and for such horses or mules as may be required for machine gun companies and for wagon transportation when in active service including camps of instruction combined camps practice marches parades maneuvers and other exercises when ordered by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief shall not exceed two dollars ($2) per diem per horse or mule to be paid by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner and upon properly itemized and duly approved vouchers

Section 38 Necessary Expenses of Headquarters The necessary military expenses of general division brigade regimental and separate battalion headquarters including clerk hire and other actual outlays shall be paid by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner on the usual lawful vouchers to that effect duly sworn to or affirmed to by the commanding officer or the officer charged with the payment of such expenses such expenses in no event to exceed twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum for the division seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750) for each brigade headquarters five hundred dollars ($500) for each regimental headquarters and two hundred dollars ($200) for each battalion headquarters not a part of a regiment

Section 39 Criminal Offenses Any commissioned officer or enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard who shall embezzle misapply or convert to his own use without authority any moneys received by or entrusted to him for disbursement shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be sentenced as for other like offenses under the penal code of this State

Section 40 Relief for Disability Incurred in Active Service If any officer or enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard is wounded or otherwise disabled while doing duty in active service of the State for which duty a per diem rate of pay is paid he shall receive from the Commonwealth just and reasonable relief in amount to be determined by the Military Board

Section 41 Rifle Practice Allowances The Adjutant-General shall provide for and issue to the Pennsylvania National Guard for rifle and artillery practice such ammunition as may be necessary for the efficiency of the service and the Governor as Commander-in-Chief may fix an annual allowance for rifle or revolver practice expenses to be paid by The Adjutant-General in the usual manner

Section 42 Powers of Officers in Active Service The commanding officer of any troops in active service may place in arrest any officer or enlisted man who shall disobey the orders of his superior officer or any person or persons who shall trespass on parade or camp grounds or in any way or manner interrupt or molest the oderly dischage of duty of those in active service and also may prohibit and prevent the sale of spirituous or malt liquors within two miles of such parade grounds or encampment and also in his discretion abate as a nuisance all hucksters auction sales or gambling

Section 43 Subsistence and Quartermaster Stores The necessary subsistence and quartermaster stores and expenses incident to any active service including the transportation of troops may be contracted for under direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief by The Adjutant-General or any other officer designated for that purpose and paid for in the usual manner

Section 44 Powers of the Governor in Case of Emergency When an invasion of or insurrection in the State occurs or is threatened or a tumult riot or mob shall exist or there is imminent danger thereof the Governor may in his discretion place the Pennsylvania National Guard or any part thereof on active duty

Section 45 Payment of Emergency Expenses When the Pennsylvania National Guard or any portion thereof is ordered on active duty by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief in repelling invasion subduing insurrection riot or disorder within the State or in the prevention thereof the payment of the troops and all other expenses incident to such service will be made by The Adjutant-General from funds obtained by warrant drawn by the Governor of the Commonwealth upon the State Treasurer against an appropriation made for such purpose and if the Pennsylvania National Guard or any portion thereof shall be called into the active service of the United States by the President all necessary expenses incident to the mobilization of the Pennsylvania National Guard or any portion thereof under such call excluding per diem pay shall be paid by The Adjutant-General from funds obtained in like manner The necessary transportation subsistence and quartermaster stores and the necessary expenses incident to such active duty within the State or mobilization under the call of the President may be contracted for under direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief by The Adjutant-General or other officer or officers designated for that purpose and the same shall be paid for by The Adjutant-General from funds obtained by warrant drawn by the Governor of the Commonwealth upon the State Treasurer against an appropriation made for such purpose

Section 46 Exemption of Uniform The uniform arms ammunition accoutrements of every commissioned officer and enlisted man shall be free from all suits distresses executions or sales for debt or payment of taxes

Section 47 Furnishing of Flags Et Cetera The Governor as Commander-in-Chief is hereby authorized to procure and issue from time to time to the Pennsylvania National Guard such flags standards and guidons as may be necessary which as far as practicable shall be similar in style to those of the United States Army

Section 48 Purchasing and Receiving Uniforms in Pawn If any person shall knowingly and wilfully purchase or receive in pawn or pledge any arm accoutrement article of military clothing equipment tent or fly or any quartermaster medical engineer signal property ordnance or ordnance stores the property of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of the United States in use by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to an imprisonment not exceeding one year and a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars

Section 49 Exemptions from Jury Duty and Posse Comitatus In addition to exemptions now allowed by law any person who shall have performed duty in the Pennsylvania National Guard for a period of nine years or who served for nine months or a longer period in active service of the United States and was honorably discharged or mustered out shall be exempt from further military service except in case of war invasion or insurrection and from serving as a juror if he so desires Every officer and enlisted man in the Pennsylvania National Guard shall during his service therein be exempt from service upon any posse comitatus Every officer and enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard while in active service for which a per diem rate of pay is paid shall be exempt from jury duty during the period of such active service and any officer or enlisted man shall during his service in the Pennsylvania National Guard be exempt from serving as a juror if he so desires

Section 50 Exemption from Civil Process No civil process shall issue or be enforced against any officer or enlisted man of the Pennsylvania National Guard in the active service of this Commonwealth or of the United States during so much of the term as he shall be engaged in active service under orders nor until thirty days after he shall have been relieved therefrom Provided that the operation of all statutes of limitations and presumptions arising from lapse of time shall be suspended upon all claims against such officer or enlisted man during such term.

Section 51 Methods or Settling Accounts In the settlement and payment of any accounts The Adjutant-General shall require except for incidental expenses or allowances authorized by this act or when it is impracticable an affidavit taken before a person authorized to administer oaths or affirmations in such form as the military board may prescribe Every account before payment shall be approved by the officer ordering the purchase or directing the rendering of service showing that the same is correct as to price that the articles were furnished or services rendered on his order and supplied as charged any person who shall falsely swear or affirm to any oath or affirmation as to any matter provided for in this section shall be deemed guilty of perjury and upon trial and conviction thereof shall be sentenced as provided by law and in addition thereto shall suffer the forfeiture of the whole amount of the articles or service falsely charged for or paid for one-half of which amount shall go to the person or persons who shall give information and shall prosecute such charge to conviction and the other half shall be paid into the treasury of this Commonwealth

Section 52 Courts of Inquiry Courts of inquiry to consist of one officer may be instituted by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief or the commanding general of the division for the purposes of investigating the conduct of any officer either upon his own request or upon complaint or charge of improper conduct as an officer or for the purpose of settling rank any court of inquiry with approval of the convening authority may employ a stenographer to take testimony Courts of inquiry shall without delay report a statement of facts to the officer instituting such court who may in his discretion cause charges to be preferred against the accused

Section 53 System of Courts-Martial Courts-martial shall be of three kinds namely general courts-martial special courts-martial and summary courts-martial They shall be constituted like and have cognizance of the same subjects and possess like powers except as to punishments as similar courts provided for by the laws and regulations governing the Army of the United States and the proceedings of courts-martial of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall follow as far as practicable the forms and modes of procedure prescribed for said similar courts Except for certain offenses hereinbefore specified all charges and specifications shall be laid under some one or more of the Articles of War which Articles of War shall be of the same force and effect in any proceeding before any court-martial as if the same had been herein enacted at length

Section 54 General courts-martial in the Pennsylvania National Guard may be convened by order of the Governor and such courts shall have the power to impose fines not exceeding two hundred dollars ($200) to sentence to forfeiture of pay and allowances to reprimand to dismissal or dishonorable discharge from the service to a reduction of non-commissioned officers to the ranks or any two or more of such punishments may be combined in the sentences imposed by such courts

Section 55 When not in the active service of the United States the commanding officer of each garrison fort post camp or other place brigade detached regiment or separate battalion or other detached or separate command may appoint special courts-martial for his command but such special courts-martial may in any case be appointed by superior authority when by the latter deemed desirable Special courts-martial shall have power to try any person subject to military law except a commissioned officer for any crime or offenes made punishable by the military laws of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and such special courts-martial shall have the same powers of punishment as do general courts-martial except that fines imposed by such special courts-martial shall not exceed one hundred dollars ($100)

Section 56 When not in the active service of the United States the commanding officer of each garrison fort post or other place regiment detached or separate batalion or company or other detachment of the Pennsylvania National Guard may appoint for such place or command a summary court to consist of one officer who shall have power to administer oaths and to try the enlisted men of such place or command for breaches of discipline and violations of the laws governing such organizations except civic by-laws and said court when satisfied of the guilt of such soldier may impose fines not exceeding twenty-five dollars ($25) for any single offense may sentence non-commissioned officers to reduction to the ranks may sentence to forfeiture of pay and allowances The proceedings of such summary court shall be informal and the minutes thereof shall be as far as practicable the same as prescribed for summary courts of the army of the United States

Section 57 All courts-martial including summary courts of the Pennsylvania National Guard when not in the active service of the United States shall have power to sentence to confinement in lieu of fines authorized to be imposed Provided that such sentences of confinement shall not exceed one day for each dollar of fine authorized and imposed

Section 58 When the Pennsylvania National Guard is not in the active service of the United States sentence of dismissal from the service or dishonorable discharge imposed by court-martial shall not be executed until approved by the Governor

Section 59 When not in the active service of the United States presidents of courts-martial and summary court officers shall have power to issue warrants directed to the sheriff of the proper county or any constable to arrest accused persons and to bring them before the court for trial whenever such persons shall have disobeyed an order in writing from the convening authority to appear before such court a copy of the charge or charges having been delivered to the accused with such order in the manner provided by law for service of civil process and to issue subpoenas and subpoenas ducas tecum and to enforce by attachment attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers and to sentence for a refusal to be sworn or to answer as provided in actions before civil courts

Section 60 Collection of Fines The president of any general or special court-martial or the officer of a summary court shall issue his warrant for the collection of all fines imposed by said court-martial a summary court to the sheriff or any constable of the county in which the court was held or in which the delinquent resides whose duty it shall be to collect all fines provided for by this act in the same manner as he is authorized to collect debts on civil process and make his return to the president of said court or to the officer of the said summary court or within twenty days certify to the said president or officer that there is no property of the defendant out of which said moneys can be made Upon such return of "no goods" the said president or officer of the court shall issue his warrant of commitment of such delinquent to

the proper jail of the county directed to such sheriff or contsable who shall forthwith execute said warrant and make proper return of the same to said court

Section 61 Duties of Jailers The keepers and wardens of all county jails are required to receive and confine all military offenders when delivered by such sheriff or constable under the proper certificate of commitment of a general special or summary court-martial for and during the term of sentence as set forth in said commitment

Section 62 Disobedience of Subpoenas Every witness not appearing in obedience to such subpoena when duly served and not having a sufficient or reasonable excuse shall forfeit to the Commonwealth a sum not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each default and the president or officer of such court shall from time to time report to the district attorney the names of such delinquent witnesses together with the names and places of residence of the persons serving such subpoena the better to enable him to prosecute for such forfeiture

Section 63 Execution of Attachment Every attachment for a witness shall be executed in the same manner as a warrant and by the sheriff or a constable of the county and the fees for serving the same shall be paid by the person against whom the same shall have been issued unless he shall show reasonable cause to the satisfaction of such court for his omission to attend in which case the party requiring such attachment shall pay the costs such costs shall be ascertained by the said court which may thereupon issue an execution for the collection thereof against the person liable to pay the same and which shall be collected as other executions are collected by said sheriff or constable

Section 64 Appeals to the Governor An appeal from the approved finding or sentence of a general court-martial may be made to the Governor as Commander-in-Chief within twenty days after the decision appealed from shall have been made known to the accused and shall operate as a stay of execution of sentence until such appeal has been decided

Section 65 Moneys to be Paid to State Treasurer All fines and penalties imposed and collected through the sentence of courts-martial shall be forwarded to the Adjutant-General and by him paid into the Treasury of the Commonwealth

Section 66 Liability of Public Officers for Non-Execution of Process The neglect or refusal of any sheriff constable or jail-warden to execute any process or to make proper return of all fines and penalties collected or to receive in custody any prisoner shall be deemed a misdemeanor and shall subject the offender to a prosecution by the proper district attorney and to a penalty upon conviction of each such offense of one hundred dollars ($100) to the use of the Commonwealth

Section 67 Compensation of Court Judge-Advocates and members of courts-martial and courts of inquiry shall be allowed transportation in kind and per diem pay as per military grade for time actually employed in the duties assigned them Transportation in kind shall be furnished to all prosecutors prisoners witnesses sheriffs and constables to and from the place or places designated for the meetings of said courts The per diem pay of military and civilian witnesses shall be the same as in civil courts of law The fees of sheriffs and constables for serving the processes provided for in this act shall be the same as prescribed by law for similar processes of a civil nature and shall upon proper vouchers being filed be paid by the Adjutant-General in the usual manner

Section 68 Leaves of Absence for Certain State Employes All officials and employes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania members of the Pennsylvania National Guard shall be entitled to leave of absence from their respective duties without loss of pay time or efficiency rating on all days during which they shall as members of the Pennsylvania National Guard be engaged in the active service of the Commonwealth or in field training ordered or authorized under the provisions of this act

Section 69 Codification This act shall be known as the "Pennsylvania National Guard Act" and together with any acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof may be codified and published by the Adjutant-General

Section 70 Intent of the Act The various sections of this act are hereby declared to be independent of each other and in the event of any section hereof hereafter being declared unconstitutional it is the intent and meaning hereof that such section alone should be eliminated herefrom without affecting any other portion of this act

Section 71 When Effective The provisions of this act shall become effective on and after June first nineteen hundred and seventeen

Section 72 Repeal The Act of Assembly approved April ninth nineteen hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act providing for the organization discipline maintenance and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth" and all previous acts or parts of acts relating to the National Guard and Organized Militia inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—174.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Scott,
Aron,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Black,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Conner,	Hough,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Curry,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wells,
Dean,	Lauler,	Rich,	West,
Dell,	Leary,	Richards,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Marvin,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Ross,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—1.

Baker,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 877, as follows:

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the judicial districts of the Commonwealth shall be numbered composed designated and shall each have the number of judges respectively as follows

The First District shall be composed of the City and County of Philadelphia and shall have fifteen judges learned in the law in the common pleas and five judges learned in the law in the orphans' court and such judges of the municipal court as now or may hereafter be provided by law

The Second District of the County of Lancaster and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Third District of the County of Northampton and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Fourth District of the County of Tioga and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifth District of the County of Allegheny and shall have twelve judges learned in the law in the common pleas and three judges learned in the law in the orphans' court and such judges of the county court as now or may hereafter be provided by law

The Sixth District of the County of Erie and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Seventh District of all the County of Bucks and shall have one judge learned in the lew

The Eighth District of the County of Northumberland and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Ninth District of the County of Cumberland and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Tenth District of the County of Westmoreland and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Eleventh District of the County of Luzerne and shall have five judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twelfth District of the County of Dauphin and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Thirteenth District of the County of Greene and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fourteenth District of the County of Fayette and and shall have two judges learned in the law and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Fifteenth District of the County of Chester and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Sixteenth District of the County of Somerset and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Seventeenth District of the Counties of Union and Snyder and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Eighteenth District of the County of Clarion and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Nineteenth District of the County of York and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Twentieth District of the Counties of Huntingdon Bedford and Mifflin and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-first District of the County of Schuylkill and shall have three judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twenty-second District of the County of Wayne and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-third District of the County of Berks and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twenty-fourth District of the County of Blair and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-fifth District of the Counties of Cameron and Elk and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-sixth District of the Counties of Columbia and Montour and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-seventh District of the County of Washington and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Twenty-eighth District of the County of Venango and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-ninth District of the County of Lycoming and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirtieth District of the County of Crawford and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-first District of the County of Lehigh and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-second District of the County of Delaware and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Thirty-third District of the County of Armstrong and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-fourth District of the County of Susquehanna and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-fifth District of the County of Mercer and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-sixth District of the County of Beaver and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-seventh District of the Counties of Warren and Forest and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-eighth District of the County of Montgomery and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Thirty-ninth District of the County of Franklin and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fourtieth District of the County of Indiana and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-first District of the Counties of Juniata and Perry and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-second District of the County of Bradford and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-third District of the Counties of Monroe and Pike and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-fourth District of the Counties of Wyoming and Sullivan and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-fifth District of the County of Lackawanna and shall have three judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Forty-sixth District of the County of Clearfield and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-seventh District of the county of Cambria and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Forty-eighth District of the County of McKean and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-ninth District of the County of Centre and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fiftieth District of the County of Butler and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-first District of the Counties of Adams and Fulton and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-second District of the County of Lebanon and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-third District of the County of Lawrence and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-fourth District of the County of Jefferson and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-fifth District of the County of Potter and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-sixth District of the County of Carbon and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-seventh District of the County of Clinton and shall have one judge learned in the law

And in all cases where a county is or shall be attached to a contiquous district the qualified voters of said county shall be entitled to vote for the judge or judges

Section 2 The nomination of judges shall be made held and conducted and the returns of votes cast at primary elections for the nomination of judges shall be made computed canvassed and certified as now or may be hereafter provided by law

Section 3 Returns of votes cast in each county at the municipal election for all judges which the qualified electors of such county are entitled to elect of themselves unconnected with any other county or district shall be made out by the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of such county under direction of said court or of the judge person or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns in such county at its his or their meeting to receive and compute the returns of the preceding municipal election which said returns shall be properly attested by the seal of said court one of which returns shall be filed and entered in the office of the prothonotary of such court another of which returns such prothonotary shall enclose in a sealed envelope and direct and immediately mail to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and it shall be the duty of the prothonotary to deliver a copy of such return to each person elected judge at such municipal election

Section 4 In case of the election of a judge or judges in any judicial district composed of two or more counties or of a single county to which one or more counties is or are attached as provided by this act on the day of the sitting of the court or of the judge person or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns in each of such counties the prothonotary of the court of common pleas shall open and in its his or their presence shall make out a return of all votes cast at the preceding municipal election within each county for every person voted for as judge which shall be properly attested by the seal of said court and the said court or judge or person or persons receiving and computing returns shall thereupon appoint one of the judges of election in said county to take charge of such return and produce the same at a meeting of the judges so appointed in each of the counties comprising said district which meeting shall be held on the seventh day after the municipal election at the court house of one of the counties taking said counties alternately in alphabetical order

Section 5 The return judges from the several counties as aforesaid having met shall cast up the municipal election returns from the several counties and shall make copies of a general return of all votes cast at such municipal election in the district for such office of judge each of which they shall certify One of said copies they shall lodge in the office of the prothonotary of each county constituting such judicial district another they shall enclose seal and direct to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and they shall also deliver a copy of such return to each person elected as judge at such municipal election

Section 6 In the judicial district herein known as the fifty-seventh district composed of the County of Clinton a president judge learned in the law shall be elected at the municipal election of the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen whose term of office shall begin on the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and the president judge now in commission for said county shall continue to exercise his jurisdiction therein until the said first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen In all other judicial districts at the municipal election next preceding the expiration of the term of any judge now or hereafter commissioned the qualified electors of any county or counties composing such district shall elect a successor to such judge to serve as provided by law

Section 7 In all districts in which by the provisions of this act two or more judges are provided one of said judges shall be the president judge of said district and the other or others the additional law judge or judges thereof The judge of said district whose commission shall first expire shall be the president judge thereof except when the president judge has been or shall be re-elected in which case he shall continue to be president judge The said additional law judge or judges shall possess the same qualifications which are required by the Constitution and laws for the president judge of said district and shall hold his and their office for a like term and by the same tenure and shall have the same powers authority and jurisdiction and shall be subject to the same duties restrictions and penalties and shall receive the same compensation as the president judge of said district

Section 8 In all cases where by the provisions of this act a district heretofore consisting of more than one county is divided into two or more districts and in all cases in which counties are transferred from one district to another the judge now in office shall continue to serve until the expiration of his term of office as judge of the district which by this act is given the same number as that of the district in which the said judge has heretofore served and at the municipal election next preceding the expiration of the term of office of any any such judge the electors of the county or counties composing such district shall elect a judge to serve as provided by law

Section 9 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. MILNER. Mr. Speaker, I would like the sponsor of this bill to explain it.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, this bill is to make simply one change in the judicial apportionment; it is to make Clinton a separate judicial district.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—151.

Albee,	Erdman,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Aston,	Flynn,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fowler,	Miller, A. D.,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Miller, Allan D.	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T. J.,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Murdoch,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Graham,	Murphy,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stites,
Bovee,	Hess,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Chestnut,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Vogdes
Christman,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Wagner,
Clements,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Conner,	Jennings,	Rich,	Weimer,
Corbin,	Jones,	Richards,	Wells,
Crosby,	Laucks,	Ringler,	West,
Cummins,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wohensmith,
Dewey,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Donneley,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Drake,	McKay,	Scott,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McPeake,	Shattuck,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—4.

Cox,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sterling,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 354, entitled

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes, by topics, of the existing general laws of this Commonwealth, for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly; fixing the compensation of the assistant director; and making an appropriation therefor," fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein, and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—185.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Musser,	Stern,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Ogden,	Stites,
Brady,	Helt,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hess,	Perry,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Clements,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Rich,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Richards,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jones,	Ringler,	West,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Dawson,	Leary,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Dean,	Lewis,	Ross,	Wohensmith,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin, Speaker.
Eby,	McCaig,	Scott,	
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Erdman,	McKay,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 3

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon.

Senate Bill No. 106

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to validate all sales, public and private, and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators," approved the tenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

Senate Bill No. 49

An Act to authorize and require the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts.

Senate Bill No. 16

An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one), entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker, flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, canal, millrace, works for supplying water, heat, power, cold air or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," in relating to service of notice of filing the claim.

Senate Bill No. 114

An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an

act, entitled 'An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates,' passed and approved April eighth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestate," approved the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 11.40 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, March 27, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for the magnificent struggle by means of which the great Russian Empire broke the shackles of intellectual, political and religious slavery. Having eminated from the dark and slavish conditions in which they were situated they have placed themselves alongside of the great republics of the world. Grant, Dear Heavenly Father, that this nation may see the right time, if such time arrives, to enter into this great struggle for the inalienable rights of humanity. Be with us here in all our deliberations. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. HOMSHER, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein.

Senate Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt.

House Bill No. 3, entitled

An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. LYNCH, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 560, entitled

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the 19th day of March, 1909, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania; to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, by providing for the extension of time necessary for graduation; by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses; and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 619, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction, reconstruction and improvement of State Highways.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 522 (House Bill No. 477), entitled

An Act to enable foreign fraternal beneficiary associations and corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

Mr. CRAIG, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 680, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the District Attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, of a chief county detective, an assistant county detective, and special county detectives, defining their duties; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses, by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 681, entitled

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from $5.00 per day to $10.00 per day.

Mr. W. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 227 (House Bill No. 122), entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the 28th day of April, 1915 (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents, defining its powers and duties, regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 601 (House Bill No. 608), entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift, of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the 18th day of April, 1843, entitled "An Act to re-charter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, of Philadelphia," and article one of section ten of an act approved the 16th day of April, 185v, entitled "An Act regulating banks."

Mr. STEWART, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 654, entitled

An Act creating a State Board of Agriculture, a Department of Agriculture, and defining their relations, duties and authorities.

Mr. WASBERS, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 579, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, and providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining the same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same; and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, mantenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of the township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner, and the several counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof, in the same manner as a State-aid highway; and authorizing counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof, and making valid all such contracts heretofore made; such highway to remain a State Highway.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Corporations, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 172, entitled

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments in the townships of the Commonwealth.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 553 (House Bill No. 295), entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the 8th day of May, 1854 (P. L. 644), entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

Mr. NASON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 677, entitled

An Act conferring upon the County Commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of Fire Marshal have been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals and to furnish necessary equipment, stationery and clerk hire therefor.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 678, entitled

An Act to provide for the appointment of Deputy and Assistant Fire Marshals and to fix the salaries of the Fire Marshals and the deputies and Assistant Fire Marshals in counties of this Commonwealth wherein the office of Fire Marshal shall have been established under existing laws.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 679, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering Fire Marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 676, entitled

An Act conferring certain powers upon Fire Marshals in counties in this Commonwealth providing for a review by the courts of common pleas of the orders of the Fire Marshals and the filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the Fire Marshals.

Mr. ENDSLEY, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the 13th day of June, 1836, entitled "An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges."

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 620, entitled

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird, prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same and providing for penalties.

Also from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 662, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations; and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. WHITTEN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 557 (House Bill No. 657), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 607, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme, Superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved June 23rd, 1911, so as to provide for the retirement of a judge during the balance of a term for which he was elected.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 675 entitled

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, within or without the State of Pennsylvania between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act, where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage, notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed, and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 628, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 15th day of June, 1911, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor, of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities, situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth, not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

Mr. LEIBY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 638 (House Bill No. 799), entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 604, entitled

An Act to amend part of the fourth section of the act approved the 28th day of April, 1899, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," as amended.

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 683, entitled

An Act regulating public stables in which horses, afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drinking from public watering troughs; and providing penalties.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 639 (House Bill No. 852), entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset, and State of Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 552 (House Bill No. 293), entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act approved the 14th day of May, 1915, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CROW read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 692 entitled

An Act authorizing tenants in common and co-partners of land to pay their proportionate share of the taxes assessed against the land; and providing that the sale thereof for unpaid taxes shall not impair or divest the title of those who have paid their respective shares of such taxes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 693, entitled

An Act to authorize the purchase of historical works, relative to the services of Pennsylvania Volunteers during the late Civil War.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. WASBERS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 694, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine."

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. DeWITT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 695, entitled

An Act to prevent fraud and deceit by regulating and inspecting investment companies and dealers in certain stocks, bonds or other securities; providing for the regulation and registration of such companies and dealers; creating and establishing a Securities' Commission for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act, approved April 4th, 1907, entitled "An Act creating, in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million, a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said Board, and regulating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that, where said board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only, the president of the board, in case of a tie vote, shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 697, entitled

An Act providing under what circumstances and in what manner a voter may be permitted to select an election officer or clerk of his election district to aid him in the preparation of his ballot at any general or municipal election and repealing section twenty-six of the act of June tenth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three entitled "An Act to regulate the nomination and election of public officers requiring certain expenses incident thereto to be paid by the several counties and punishing certain offenses in regard to such elections."

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, March 27, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April second, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April second, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places.

Senate Bill No. 188, entitled

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

Senate Bill No. 126, entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Senate Bill No. 189, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

RESOLUTION FIXING TIME FOR MEMORIAL SERVICES IN HONOR OF THE LATE CHARLES J. MAGEE.

Mr. KLINE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That a committee of eight members of the Senate be appointed to draft suitable resolutions on the death of the late Senator Charles J. Magee, who died on March thirteenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and present said resolutions at a special meeting of the Senate to be held on Tuesday, April third, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, at eight o'clock post meridian.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. BEALES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection. The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEALES, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 346, entitled

An Act requiring certain counties in certain instances to assist townships in the construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of main traveled or trunk roads other than State or State-aid Highways, and providing the method of procedure.

BILLS ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 19, as follows:

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree and repealing in consistent legislation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That every person his aiders abettors and counsellors hereafter convicted of the crime of murder of the first degree shall be sentenced to undergo an imprisonment for the period of his natural life

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—32.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Jones,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—12.

Crow,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Schantz,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 314, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight) entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof' approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation thereof" providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons copartnerships associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as herein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof' approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person firm or corporate body by himself herself itself or themselves or by his her its or their agents servants or employes to sell offer for sale expose for sale or have in possession with intent to sell eggs that are unfit for food within the meaning of an act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof' approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine for any purpose use cause or reason whatsoever unless the same shall have first been denatured with a sufficient quantity of kerosene to render all of the same unfit for use in the preparation of food and food products and further providing that the shells of all such eggs that may be unfit for food as hereinbefore mentioned shall first be removed or broken by smashing or otherwise so as to permit a free impregnation of the whole of the egg substance by the denaturing fluid and all persons violating any of the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the same penalties as provided in the act to which this is a supplement" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 It shall be unlawful for any person copartnership association or corporation to conduct at any given place any business of opening eggs and separating the egg content from the shell and using or disposing of the content thereof for any purpose unless he she it or they have first applied for and secured a license so to do from the Dairy and Food Commissioner The form of such license shall be prescribed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner The application for a license in addition to other matters which may be required to be stated thereon by said Dairy and Food Commissioner shall contain an accurate description of the place where the proposed separation of eggs is intended to be carried on and the name and style under which said business is proposed to be conducted If the said application is satisfactory to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and said name and style shall not in the judgment of the Dairy and Food Commissioner be calculated to deceive or mislead the public as to the real nature of the business so proposed to be carried on the Dairy and Food Commissioner shall issue to the applicant a license authorizing him her it or them to engage in the business of opening the eggs and separating the egg content from the shell for which said license the applicant shall first pay the annual sum of fifty dollars The said license fee when received by the Dairy and Food Commissioner shall be by him immediately covered into the State Treasury for the use of the Commonwealth Such license shall not authorize the holder thereof to carry on the business of opening the eggs and separating the egg content from the shell at any place other than that designated in the application and license All licenses shall be taken out for a full year The opening of egg unfit for food purposes and their denaturing by kerosene shall not be permitted in any building or premises where the opening of eggs for food purposes is carried on and such eggs as are found to be unfit for food purposes must be placed in containers painted of a bright red color and such red colored containers must not be used for wholesome eggs nor be found in establishments where food products are prepared and violations of either of these provisions shall be a misdemeanor and subject to the same penalties as the act of which this is a supplement

It shall be unlawful for any person copartnership association or corporation by himself herself itself or themselves or by his her its or their agents servants or employes to sell offer for sale expose for sale or have in possession eggs that are unfit for food within the meaning of an act entitled "An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof" approved the eleventh day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine for any purpose use cause or reason whatsoever unless the same shall have first been denatured with a sufficient quantity of kerosene to render all of the same unfit for use in the prepartion of food and food products and further providing that the shells of all such eggs that may be unfit for food as hereinbefore mentioned shall first be removed or broken by smashing or otherwise so as to permit a free impregnation of the whole of the egg substance by the denaturing fluid

For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act the Department of Agriculture through its officer the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants shall have full access to all places of business factories mills buildings cars vessels barrels tanks containers and packages of whatever kind used in keeping storing shipping and handling eggs and shall have power to take sufficient quantity of eggs therefrom upon payment or offering payment for the same for the purpose of making an analysis thereof

All persons copartnerships associations or corporations violating any of the provisions of this act or interfering with or refusing to give access to the Dairy and Food Commissioner or any of his agents or assistants when securing quantities of eggs for the purpose of analysis shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the same penalties as provided in the act to which this is a supplement

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—36.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Beales,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,			

NAYS—3.

Daix,	Kline,	McNichol,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 339, as follows:

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents in cities of first class

SALES OF TAX CLAIMS: PROCEEDINGS

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the right of any city of the first class to receive city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents and the lien thereof shall be sold by the city and after such sale shall be transferred in the manner provided by this act The right and claim so sold shall be called "Tax Claim" and the instrument by which it is assigned shall be called "Transfer of Tax Claim" Whenever any tax on lands or tenements or any municipal claim on lands or tenements for local improvements or water rents shall remain unpaid for the term of two years from the time same shall have been first due and payable it shall be lawful for the receiver of taxes of said city under the direction of the city solicitor of said city to advertise the tax claims on the said lands and tenements of any of them for sale including in such advertisement the tax claim for all items up to a day named in the advertisement and by such advertisement the owner or owners of such lands and tenements respectively shall be required to pay the amount of such city tax school tax municipal claim or water rents with the penalties thereon so remaining unpaid and interest thereon to the time of payment with the charges of such notice and advertisement to the said receiver of taxes

Notice shall be given by such advertisement that if default shall be made in such payment the tax claim on said lands and tenements will be sold at public auction at a day therein to be specified for the lowest rate of interest not exceeding twelve per centum per annum at which any person or persons shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the said city tax school tax municipal claim and water rents and penalties as the case may be interest thereon as aforesaid to the time of sale the charge of the above mentioned notices and advertisement and all other charges and costs accrued thereon

If notwithstanding such notice the owner or owners shall refuse or neglect to pay such city tax school tax municipal claim water rents and penalties with the interest as aforesaid and the charges attending such notice and advertisement then it shall be lawful for the said receiver of taxes under the direction of said city solicitor to cause such tax claim on such lands and tenements to be sold at public auction for the purpose and in the manner expressed in said advertisement and such sale shall be made on the day and at the place for the purpose mentioned in said advertisement. No such tax claims shall be hereafter sold at public auction for non-payment of any city tax school tax municipal claim or water rents which may be due thereon unless notice of such sale shall have been published once in each week successively for four weeks in two daily newspapers of general circulation published in said city and in one legal publication of said city if such there be which advertisement shall contain appended to said notice a particular and detailed statement of the property the tax claim on which is to be sold The said detailed statement and description instead of being published as aforesaid shall at the option of the city solicitor be printed in a pamphlet in which case copies of the pamphlet shall be deposited in the office of the said receiver of taxes and shall be delivered to any person applying therefor The notice provided for in this section to be given of the sale of tax claims shall also state that the detailed statement of the city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents and the property taxed assessed or on which the water rents are unpaid is published in two daily newspapers of general circulation published in said city and in one legal publication of said city if such there be or in a pamphlet as the case may be and that copies of the pamphlet are deposited in the office of said receiver of taxes and will be delivered to any person applying for the same No other notice or demand of the city tax school tax municipal claim or water rent shall be required to authorize the sale of tax claims on any lands and tenements as hereinbefore provided The receiver of taxes may with the written approval of the city solicitor cancel any certificate for unpaid city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents held by said city or to which said city has acquired the right and upon such cancellation the claim of such city tax school tax municipal claim or water rent shall be and remain the same as if no sale for such unpaid city tax school tax municipal claim or water rent had been made

TIME OF SALES

Section 2 The receiver of taxes shall hold such auction sales on the first Tuesday of each and every month unless said day falls on a holiday in which event the sale shall be held the following day and he shall apportion said tax claims so as to equalize as much as possible the number of auction sales from month to month

POSTPONEMENT OF SALES

Section 3 It shall be lawful for the receiver of taxes to suspend or postpone any sale or sales of tax claims on lands and tenements or any portion thereof which shall have been advertised for sale to any time not exceeding three months from the day specified in any such adver-

tisement All sales which shall be so postponed or suspended may be made without further advertisement other than a general notice of such postponement to be published in the publication aforesaid

SALES OF TAX CLAIMS TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE RECEIVER OF TAXES

Section 4 The receiver of taxes or his deputy shall conduct the sales hereinbefore provided to be made and no auctioneer other than said receiver of taxes or his deputy shall be employed to make such sale and no auctioneers fees shall be charged thereon The receiver of taxes shall require from each purchaser of a tax claim at the time of such sale a deposit on account equal to ten per centum of the amount of the tax claim so purchased and not later than thirty days from the date of sale the balance shall be paid to the receiver of taxes at his office If no bid shall be received for a tax claim offered for sale the receiver of taxes for and on behalf of the city may bid in the said tax claim and upon such bid no deposit or payment in cash shall be required from the city When the city has bid in any tax claim a transfer of tax claim to the city shall be executed by the said receiver of taxes in the form and manner prescribed for other transfers of tax claims and the city shall have the same rights in to and under such transfer of tax claim as if the same had been bought by any other person Transfers of tax claims shall be made and delivered to the purchaser without charge upon payment of the amounts therein shown to be due In case any purchaser shall not complete his purchase in accordance with the terms prescribed as herein provided then the amount deposited by the purchaser at the time of the sale shall be forfeited to the city and the entire tax claim upon the lands affected by such purchase shall be sold again Resales shall be held at such time not exceeding three months from the day of the original sale or previous resale as the receiver of taxes may direct and shall be advertised in the publications aforesaid once in each week for two successive weeks In resales deposits and forfeitures thereof are subject to the same provisions as in original sales All deposits forfeited as aforesaid shall be paid into the general fund of said city

TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 5 A transfer of tax claim shall operate to transfer and assign the tax claims upon the lands or tenements described therein for the city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents and penalties the interest thereon and the charges of the notices and advertisement given pursuant to section one of this act and all other costs and charges so advertised for sale free of all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents which accrued before the day of the date mentioned in the advertisement of the same as stated therein and to create a lien upon the property affected thereby for the interest to which the purchaser may be entitled under his bid but subject to the lien for any right of the city to collect and receive all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents which accrued or which become a lien on and after the day of the date of the first advertisement of such sale as stated therein A transfer of tax claim shall contain a transfer and assignment by the city of the tax claim sold to the purchaser with the name and address of the purchaser date of the sale the aggregate amount of the tax claim so transferred and the items of city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents penalties and interest composing the tax claim the annual rate of interest which the purchaser has bid and will be entitled to receive the date when the amount of the tax claim will be due and a description of the real property affected by the tax claim together with the number of the property if such there be and such other identifying description as the receiver of taxes may deem proper to add Each transfer of tax claim shall be subscribed by or in behalf of the receiver of taxes making the sale or a successor in office of such receiver and shall be acknowledged by the officer subscribing the same in the manner in which deeds are required to be acknowledged to be recorded in the county in which the real property affected is situated

RECORD OF TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 6 The receiver of taxes shall keep in his office a public record of sales of tax claims and a copy of each transfer of tax claim issued by him Assignments of transfers of tax claim duly acknowledged may be filed and recorded in the office of the receiver of taxes A transfer of tax claim and any assignment thereof duly acknowledged shall be deemed conveyances under the recording acts and may be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of any county in which the real property which it affects is situated Transfers of tax claims and all assignments thereof shall be recorded by the recorder of deeds in the same manner as mortgages and assignments thereof for recording fees at the same rate as for recording other instruments No transfer of tax claim or assignments shall be filed or recorded unless the address of the purchaser or assignee is noted on such instrument

The record in the office of the receiver of taxes of sales of tax claims of the transfer of tax claim and of a copy of a transfer of tax claim and of an assignment of a transfer of tax claim and record of a transfer of tax claim in the office of recorder of deeds and of an assignment of tax claims duly acknowledged in the office of the recorder of deeds shall each be evidence in any court in the State without further proof A transcript of any record enumerated in this section duly certified shall be evidence in any court of the State with like effect as the original instrument of record

Neither a tax claim nor the rights transferred or created by a transfer of tax claim shall be impaired by failure of a recording officer to record a transfer of tax claim made by the city through the receiver of taxes Unless a contrary intent appears a tax claim shall be presumed to be satisfied and discharged whenever it shall appear from the record instrument that the tax claim has been transferred or assigned to the owner of said lands or tenements notwithstanding other intervening estates or liens

RIGHTS OF PURCHASER OF TAX CLAIM

Section 7 The aggregate amount of each tax claim transferred pursuant to this title shall be due three years from the date of the sale Until such aggregate amount is fully paid and discharged the holder of the transfer of tax claim shall be entitled to receive interest on such aggregate amount from the day of sale semi-annually on the first day of January and July at the rate which the purchaser shall have bid At the option of the holder of any transfer of tax claim the aggregate amount thereof shall become due and payable after default in the payment of interest for thirty days or after default for six months after the delivery of transfer of tax claim in the payment of any city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents which became a lien on and after the day of the date mentioned in the advertisement of the sale as stated therein of the tax claim transferred by such transfer of tax claim Any person having a legal or beneficial interest in property affected by a transfer of tax claim may satisfy the same before maturity upon giving thirty days' notice in writing to the holder thereof of the day on which payment will be made and upon payment of the principal with interest at the rate bid at a time three months after the day was fixed for payment If notice of intention to make payment be given as herein provided and such payment be not made then the whole amount of any tax claim concerning which such notice shall have been given shall become due and payable at the option of the holder thereof Or any such person may pay to the receiver of taxes such principal with interest at the rate bid up to a day six months after such payment In case such payment be made to the receiver of taxes he shall receive the same for the benefit of the holder of the tax claim thus discharged and shall give notice thereof to the purchaser or his assignee or the personal representative thereof by mail addressed to such address as may have been furnished to the receiver of taxes Upon receiving surrender of such transfer of tax claim the receiver of taxes shall pay the amount thus deposited to the person who according to the records in his office appears to be entitled thereto or to the personal representative of such person

DISCHARGE OF TAX CLAIM

Section 8 A tax claim sold pursuant to the provisions of this title must be discharged upon the record thereof by the receiver of taxes when payment is made to him of the principal and interest as provided in the last preceding section and also when the transfer of tax claim is surrendered to him for cancellation and there is presented to him a certificate executed by the purchaser or his assignee or the personal representative thereof acknowledged so as to be entitled to be recorded in the county in which the real property affected by such tax claim is situated certifying that the tax claim has been paid or has been otherwise satisfied and discharged The transfer of tax claim thus surrendered and such certificate of discharge must be filed by the receiver of taxes and he must note upon the margin of the record of such sale upon such transfer of tax claim and upon the copy of the transfer of tax claim kept in his office a minute of such discharge and the date of filing thereof If the transfer of tax claim shall have been lost or destroyed or mutilated if payment be made to the receiver of taxes or if a certificate of discharge be filed as hereinafter provided application for an order dispensing with the surrender of the transfer of tax claim may be made in writing to the receiver of taxes stating that the transfer of tax claim has been lost or destroyed or mutilated together with an affidavit as to the truth of the facts therein stated The receiver of taxes shall upon demand issue his certificate showing the discharge of any tax claim which may have been duly discharged as provided in this section and such certificate may be filed in any office where the transfer of tax claim is recorded and any recording officer with whom such a certificate is filed shall record the same and upon the margin of the record of such transfer of tax claim in his office shall note a statement that the same has been discharged with a reference to the record of such certificate in his office

EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION

Section 9 Tax claims and transfers of tax claims shall be exempt from taxation by the State or any local subdivisions thereof The real property affected by any tax claim shall not be exempt from taxation by reason of this section

FORECLOSURE OF TAX CLAIM

Section 10 If the amount of any tax claim which shall have been transferred by a transfer of tax claim shall not be paid when under its terms and the provisions of this act such amount shall be due the holder of such tax claim may maintain an action in the court of common pleas of the county in which the lands are situate to foreclose such tax claim In an action to foreclose a tax claim any person shall be a proper party of whom the plaintiff alleges that such person has or may have or that the plaintiff has reason to believe that such person has or may have an interest in or claim upon the real property effected by the tax claim Except as otherwise provided in this act an action to foreclose a tax claim shall be regulated by the provisions of law

and rules of practice applicable to actions to foreclose mortgages on real property and the judgment thereon had and all subsequent proceedings not inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall be governed by the same laws and rules of practice as heretofore existing as if said city had brought such action The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania may be a party to an action to foreclose a tax claim in the same manner as a natural person

JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE OF TAX CLAIM

Section 11 In an action to foreclose a tax claim unless the defendants obtain judgment the plaintiff shall be entitled to a judgment establishing the validity of the tax claim so far as the same shall not be adjudged invalid and of the transfer of tax claim and directing the sale of the real property affected thereby or such part thereof as shall be sufficient to discharge the tax claim or such items thereof as shall not be adjudged invalid and the interest thereon and all other accrued city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents affecting the real property together with the expenses of the sale and the costs of the action

EFFECT OF JUDGMENT FORECLOSING TAX CLAIM

Section 12 Every final judgment in an action to foreclose a tax claim shall be binding upon and every conveyance upon a sale pursuant thereto shall transfer to and vest in the purchaser all the right title interest and estate in and claim upon the real property affected by such judgment of the plaintiff each defendant upon whom the summons is served each person claiming from through or under such a defendant by title accruing after the filing of notice of pendency of the action or after the entry of judgment and each person not in being when the judgment is rendered who afterwards may become entitled to a beneficial interest attaching to or an estate or interest in such real property or any portion thereof provided that the person presumptively entitled to such beneficial interest estate or interest is a party to such action or bound by such judgment Any law or rule of practice allowing a defendant to defend an action after final judgment shall not apply to an action to foreclose a tax claim Delivery of the possession of real property affected by a judgment to foreclose a tax claim may be compelled in the same manner as in the case of other sheriffs sales and the purchaser at such sale shall immediately take an absolute title in fee simple without any right of redemption in favor of the defendant whatsoever

SURPLUS

Section 13 Any surplus of the proceeds of the sale after paying the expenses of the sale and all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents which accrued or become a lien on and after the day of the date mentioned in the advertisement of the sale as stated therein under which the foreclosed transfer of tax claim was issued and after satisfying the amount of the tax claim and interest and the costs of the action will be subject to the provisions of law and rules of practice applicable to all other sheriffs sales

PROCEDURE WHEN NO BID FOR A TAX CLAIM IS RECEIVED

Section 14 If no bid is received for a tax claim on any parcel of property at a duly advertised sale and it shall appear to the receiver of taxes that the city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents penalties and accrued interest amount to so large a proportion of the value of the property that the security is insufficient to attract bidders then and in that event the receiver of taxes and the city solicitor shall investigate the facts and may fix a lesser amount for which in their judgment a tax claim bearing twelve per centum interest can be sold A certificate in writing signed by them shall be filed with the receiver of taxes setting forth the amount so determined by them together with a brief statement of the seasons of such reduction which certificate shall include the total amount of the city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents penalties and accrued interest and the assessed value of such parcel of real estate

Thereafter such reduced amount shall constitute the tax claim upon said real property for the items therein enumerated unless the same be increased as hereinafter provided which reduced amount shall bear interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of such certificate until fully paid or until the tax claim thus fixed together with the lien for any other city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents and penalties and interest becoming liens thereafter shall be sold The receiver of taxes shall forthwith advertise the tax claim for such reduced amount for sale to the highest bidder in the manner provided for the advertisement for the sale of ordinary tax claims Such tax claim shall bear interest at twelve per centum and shall be sold to the person bidding the highest amount of money in excess of the reduced amount so fixed by the receiver of taxes and city solicitor provided that if the bidding reaches the original amount of the tax claim on the real property affected together with all interest and penalties thereon the sale shall proceed in the manner provided in section four If such tax claim is sold for a sum greater than the reduced amount fixed as aforesaid with the interest and penalties thereon than such greater amount shall be considered the tax claim upon the real property affected thereby If no bid shall be received at such sale the receiver of taxes and city solicitor shall reconsider their determination and may file a new certificate in the manner hereinbefore provided and the receiver of taxes shall proceed again as hereinbefore directed Such procedure shall be repeated until a tax claim for such city taxes school taxes municipal claims water rents and accrued interest shall be sold

REIMBURSEMENT FOR DEFECTIVE TAX CLAIMS OR TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 15 If a transfer of tax claims be vacated or be set aside or cancelled or if it be adjudged in any action that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective or not sufficient to transfer a tax claim to the purchaser thereof or if in any action to foreclose a tax claim it be adjudged that the entire tax claim is void and not a valid claim on the premises which it purports to affect and that the complaint be dismissed the purchaser may surrender such transfer of tax claim together with a certified copy of such judgment or decree to the receiver of taxes and thereupon shall be repaid by the city the amount paid for such transfer of tax claim with interest from time of such payment at the rate set forth in the transfer of tax claim and the city shall pay the taxed costs and disbursements of any action or proceeding in which such adjudication is made

REIMBURSEMENT WHEN PART OF TAX CLAIM IS DEFECTIVE.

Section 16 If in any action to foreclose a tax claim it shall be adjudged that some but not all of the items constituting such tax claim are void and not a valid lien on the premises covered by such tax claim or if in any action or proceeding it be adjudged that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective as to some though not as to all of the items transferred the holder of the transfer of tax claim by instrument in writing duly acknowledged shall retransfer to the city the items thus affected and shall be repaid by the city such portion of the amount paid for such transfer of tax claim as may be applicable to the items thus affected with interest from the time of such payment at the rate set forth in the transfer of tax claim and the city shall pay the taxed costs and disbursements of any action or proceedings other than an action to foreclose the tax claim in which such adjudication is made The provisions of this section shall not apply to a tax claim which has been reduced as provided in section fourteen unless by such an adjudication the amount of the tax claim which shall remain valid and enforceable be reduced below the sum bid for the same and interest thereon at the rate to which the holder of the transfer of tax claim is entitled and the amount repaid by the city shall not exceed the difference between the sum to which the tax claim has been reduced and the sum paid therefor with interest thereon at the rate to which the holder of the transfer of tax claims is entitled

OWNERS MAY QUESTION TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIMS.

Section 17 Any person interested in or holding a lien upon any real property affected by any unpaid tax claim or transfer of tax claim may file a written notice with the receiver of taxes claiming that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective or that a tax claim which has been transferred pursuant to this title or which is advertised to be transferred is invalid defective void or ineffectual or should be vacated or set aside The receiver of taxes shall transmit all such notices to the city solicitor who shall examine into the facts and proceedings resulting in the tax claim or transfer of tax claim mentioned in such notice Before a determination is had the city solicitor shall serve a copy of such notice upon the holder of the transfer of tax claim which is thus questioned or which transfers the items thus questioned and shall give such holder an opportunity to be heard

The city solicitor shall certify in writing his opinion upon the matters and questions raised by such notice and if he concludes that a defense in an action to foreclose the tax claim would succeed in whole or in part he shall so certify and shall recommend what action shall be taken by the city concerning the same If the city solicitor concludes that such defense would succeed in whole or in part and recommends repayment by the city of the amount paid for a transfer of tax claim which would be applicable to any item he shall state the reasons for such recommendation and if it be approved by the receiver of taxes he shall require the surrender of the transfer of tax claim or the retransfer to it of the item or items of tax claim which are found to be void or defective and shall make repayment therefor in the same manner as if such transfer of tax claim tax claim or items had been adjudicated in the manner provided in sections fifteen and sixteen

Neither the provisions of this section nor any act or proceeding thereunder shall impair or in any other manner affect the rights or remedies of any person interested in or holding any lien upon real property to question the validity of any city tax school tax municipal claim water rents or tax claim or any part or item of any tax claim

CITY SOLICITOR TO PROTECT INTEREST OF CITY.

Section 18 No claim shall be made against the city under sections fifteen sixteen or seventeen by the holder of any tax claim unless action to foreclose the tax claim or transfer of tax claim upon which such claim is founded be commenced within five years from the time of the sale resulting in such transfer of tax claim Nor shall any claim be made against the city under sections fifteen or sixteen unless within ten days after the commencement of any action or proceedings to vacate set aside or cancel a transfer of tax claim or a tax claim or an item mentioned in a transfer of tax claim or unless within ten days after the service of any pleading or other paper in an action or proceeding in which any transfer of tax claim or item mentioned in a transfer of tax claim is brought into question sought to be set aside vacated or cancelled or which sets forth or pleads any defense to an action to foreclose a tax claim a notice in writing is served upon the city solicitor setting forth the question or objection

raised to the best knowledge of the holder of the transfer of tax claim or his attorney at law and demanding that the city take up the prosecution or defense of the action or proceeding All proceedings in such action or proceeding shall be stayed for thirty days or such shorter time as the city solicitor shall stipulate in writing

It shall be the duty of the city solicitor to examine the questions raised and in order to protect the interests of the city he shall have the right to be substituted for the attorney of record of the holder of the transfer tax claim or to appear as attorney of record for the holder of any such transfer of tax claim to conduct or defend any such action or proceeding in the name of the holder of the transfer of tax claim and to bring any other action or proceeding for on behalf of and in the name of the holder of such transfer of tax claim as he may deem advisable to take appeals and to argue appeals taken by the adverse party as he may deem advisable It shall be the duty of the city solicitor to protect the interest of the city in all matters actions and proceedings relating to tax claims and transfer of tax claims to intervene on behalf of the city or of the holder of a transfer of tax claim in or to make the city a party to any action in which he believes it to be to the interest of the city so to do by reason of any matter arising under or relating to any tax claim or transfer of tax claim or advertisement of sale of tax claims

In any action or proceeding in which the city solicitor pursuant to this section shall be substituted or shall appear it shall be without expense to the holder of the transfer of tax claim and all costs recovered on behalf of such holder of a transfer of tax claim in any action or proceeding conducted or defended by the city solicitor shall belong to the city and shall be collected applied and disposed of in the same manner as are other costs recovered by the city

DEFECTIVE OR INVALID TRANSFERS OF TAX CLAIM PROCEDURE ANEW

Section 19 If a transfer of tax claim be vacated or be set aside or cancelled or if it be adjudged that a transfer of tax claim is invalid or defective or insufficient to transfer a tax claim to the purchaser thereof or if in any action to foreclose a tax claim it be adjudged that a tax claim is not a valid lien on the premises which it purports to affect because of some irregularity in the proceedings had and if in pursuance of any such adjudication the purchaser of said transfer of tax claim shall have surrendered such transfer of tax claim to the receiver of taxes and shall have been repaid by the city the amount paid for such transfer of tax claim with interest and costs and disbursements of the said action or proceeding in which such adjudication was made then and in that event the tax claim which was purported to be transferred and assigned in such transfer of tax claim shall remain as a valid lien upon the premises which it affects except to such extent as it may have been adjudged irregular or invalid and the receiver of taxes shall proceed to sell anew as provided in section one of this act so much of the said tax claim as is not invalid as if no prior sale purporting to transfer the said tax claim had taken place

LOST TRANSFER OF TAX CLAIM DELIVERY OF DUPLICATE IN CASE OF

Section 20 Whenever any transfer of tax claim given by the receiver of taxes as in this title provided shall be lost the city solicitor may receive evidence of such loss and on satisfactory proof of the fact may direct the receiver of taxes to execute and deliver a duplicate to such person or persons who shall appear entitled thereto and may also in his discretion require a bond of indemnity to the city

BILLS TO HAVE NOTICE OF SALES OF TRANSFER OF TAX CLAIMS

Section 21 There shall be printed in a conspicuous place on all bills for city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents the following notice

"Whenever any city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rent shall remain unpaid for the term of two years from the time same shall have been first due and payable the tax claim on the property will be sold to satisfy such arrears of city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents and all city taxes school taxes municipal claims and water rents up to a day to be named in the advertisement of sale as therein stated" except however that whenever bills are rendered for the current year and a tax claim has been sold for prior city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents then said bills shall have printed thereon in a conspicuous place the following notice

"Tax claim has been sold for prior unpaid city taxes school taxes municipal claims or water rents against this property"

Section 22 This act shall not affect or impair any act done or right accruing accrued or acquired nor any penalty or forfeiture incurred prior to the time when this act takes effect by virtue of any Act of Assembly or part thereof repealed amended or modified by this act but such right penalty or forfeiture may be asserted enforced prosecuted or inflicted as fully and to the same extent as if this act had not been passed or said acts or parts of acts had not been amended repealed or modified No tax sale heretofore made shall be affected by this act but the rights of all persons with respect thereto shall be the same as if this act had not been passed and all actions suits proceedings or prosecutions under any Act of Assembly or part thereof hereby amended repealed or modified and pending when this act takes effect may be prosecuted and defended to final effect in the same manner as they might prior to the time when this act takes effect

Section 23 This act shall take effect at once

Section 24 All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Daix,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 354, as follows:

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to establish or enlarge cemeteries

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any incorporated cemetery or burial association or any incorporated church congregation or religious association not incorporated for profit may condemn any lands except corporate homestead coal and other church and cemetery property for the purpose of establishing a new cemetery or burial place or for the purpose of enlarging any such cemetery that is now or shall hereafter be established In the exercise of the rights hereby conferred no public highway may be vacated and no lands shall be appropriated lying within any borough town or city without the consent of said borough town or city nor any lands already occupied by any building used as a dwelling house

Section 2 Prior to any such taking or appropriation the said corporation shall attempt to agree with the owner as to the damage for the taking of said land if such owner can be found and is sui juris Failing to agree the corporation shall tender to the property owner a bond with sufficient sureties to secure him or her in the payment of damages If the owner refuses to accept said bond or cannot be found or is not sui juris the same shall then be presented to the court of common pleas of the proper county after reasonable notice to the property owner by advertisement or otherwise to be approved by said court The bond shall be given to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the use of the parties in interest and in such amount and with such surety as the court deem sufficient Upon the filing and the approval thereof the right of the corporation to enter upon and take possession of the land to be acquired and marked on the ground by the corner stakes shall be complete

Section 3 Upon petition of either party thereafter the court of common pleas shall appoint three members of the board of viewers of the county to serve as a board of viewers to assess the damages proper to be paid the said owner for the land so taken and shall fix a time for holding said view of which notice shall be given to the parties in interest either personally or as the court may direct The said viewers having been severally sworn to well and truly assess such damages shall proceed at the time fixed by court to the discharge of their duties and shall report in writing to said court on or before the first day of the next term following the day fixed for holding said view their assessment of damages for the land so taken the boundaries of which shall have been marked upon the ground

Section 4 Either party may appeal from the report of the viewers and the damages assessed within twenty days after the first day of the term to which said report shall have been filed to the court of common pleas and may have a jury trial to determine such damages as in ordinary cases and have a writ of error to the Superior or to the Supreme Court as the case may be Either party may also file exceptions to the proceedings within the said twenty days but if no exceptions be filed or appeal be taken as aforesaid within the said twenty days the prothonotary of said court shall mark said report finally confirmed and enter judgment upon said bond in favor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the use of the party or parties entitled to compensation or damages for the amount assessed and reported by said viewers

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Martin,	Sproul,
Beales,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Hackett,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Haldeman,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Hindman,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—1.

Beidleman,
Pres. pro tem.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 395 (House Bill No. 363), as follows:

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand and not more than fourteen hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages et cetera

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same That from and after the first Monday of January nineteen hundred and eighteen the fee for jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth having a population of over five hundred thousand and not more than fourteen hundred thousand under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings or upon any proceedings or by virtue of any writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth directing an inquest or requiring the services of jurors the fee for the services performed by said jurors shall be the sum of five dollars and fifty cents for each and every session at which said juror shall be in attendance

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Nason,	Sproul,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Haldeman,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Croft,	Hindman,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Homsher,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—1.

Jenkins,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 470, as follows:

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg Mississippi for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg Mississippi in June and July One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park October sixteenth seventeenth eighteenth and nineteenth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act

Whereas A memorial celebration and peace jubliee was held at Gettysburg Pennsylvania on the fiftieth anniversary of the battle fought at that place during the Civil War in July nineteen hundred and thirteen and such celebration gave to the veterans of the Union Army known as the Army of the Potomac and the Confederate Army known as the Army of Virginia an opportunity of meeting in such a gathering of peace and unity and

Whereas Coincidently with that battle and equally important event to this country occurred in July eighteen hundred and sixty-three in the siege and defense of Vicksburg the survivors of the Armies of the Tennessee and of the Mississippi who participated in that siege now desire to join in a National Memorial Reunion and peace Jubilee to commemorate the half century of peace and prosperity to the American nation and further to strengthen the fraternal ties of brotherly amity in a United Nation of States and

Whereas The United States Congress in sixty-fourth Congress passed an Act approved September eighth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen appropriating the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to provide and furnish under the direction and management of the Secretary of War the necessary supply of water sewerage sanitation and hospital service for the health and accommodation of the attending veterans and to provide and furnish all necessary tents and garrison equipment together with the required rations and supplies properly prepared and served to such veterans as may attend the National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park October sixteenth seventeenth eighteenth and nineteen nineteen hundred and seventeen Now therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there shall be provided and furnished at the expense of the Commonwealth to all surviving honorably discharged soldiers resident in Pennsylvania at the date of the passage of this act and whose names are borne upon the rolls of the Forty-fifth Fiftieth Fifty-first and One Hundred Regiments of Pennsylvania Volunteers and Durell's Battery of Pennsylvania which organizations participated in the Siege of Vicksburg transportation to cover distance from the railway station in Pennsylvania at which such soldier lives or from the railway station in Pennsylvania nearest to their places of residence by the shortest and most convenient route to Vicksburg Mississippi and return and it shall be so arranged as to terms of passage that the said transportation shall be good for at least twenty days

Section 2 That the Adjutant General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed authorized and empowered to provide transportation for said soldiers as aforesaid to and from Vicksburg Mississippi For such transportation he is authorized to pay such sums of money as shall be agreed upon and the Adjutant General is further authorized to provide such blanks and establish such rules for the reception of application and the issuance of orders for transportation as may be deemed proper and shall give publicity to the provisions of this act in order that all soldiers entitled to transportation under the same may avail themselves of its benefits

Section 3 That any person who shall impersonate any soldier entitled to the provisions of this act to secure transportation under it or use or attempt to use the transportation provided for such soldiers or any soldier who having procured such transportation and who shall sell barter trade or dispose of such transportation in any manner whatsoever to any other person shall be guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisonment not more than one month or both at the descretion of the court

Section 4 That the sum of ten thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expense of transportation provided for in this act Said appropriation to be paid on the warrant of the Auditor General upon the requisition of the Adjutant General drawn in the usual manner The Adjutant General shall within ninety days after the close of the National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee file with the Auditor General itemized vouchers showing the disbursements for said transportation

Section 5 That the Governor shall appoint three commissioners members of the Grand Army of the Republic Department of Pennsylvania who need not necessarily be members of the organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg The duty of said commissioners shall be to make all necessary arrangements for the comfort of the representatives of the regiments aforesaid including Durell's Battery while in attendance at said reunion The sum of six hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of the said commission Said appropriation to be paid by warrant of the Auditor General upon the requisition of the Adjutant General who shall file with the Auditor General within ninety days after the close of the National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee itemized vouchers showing the disbursements of said commission for said expenses

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 489, as follows:

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of section one of an act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred forty-six) entitled "An Act regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines regulating requiring and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes" which reads as follows

"Rheostats.

All rheostats to be mounted on slate insulator properly supported said supports to be made of iron and securely fastened to the floor rheostats to be securely fastened to slate insulator"

be amended to read as follows

Rheostats.

All rheostats to be mounted on slate insulator properly supported said supports to be made of iron and securely fastened to the floor rheostats to be securely fastened to slate insulator wherever practical rheostats may be put up outside the booth

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 109, as follows:

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth requiring non-residents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any person residing outside of this Commonwealth to hunt for wild birds or wild animals of any kind found in the fields in the forests or on the waters of this Commonwealth with fire-arms or with a device of any kind propelling with force a leaden or metal pellet or bullet or through the use of traps or except in the defense of person or property to shoot at or kill or pursue with intent to take kill or wound any such wild birds or wild animals thus found within this Commonwealth without first securing a license to so do in accordance with the provisions of this act

Section 2 Every non-resident of this Commonwealth except as otherwise provided by the laws of this Commonwealth such person being a citizen of the United States upon application made verbally or in writing to any county treasurer or to the secretary of the Game Commission at Harrisburg and the presentation of proof that he is a citizen of the United States and the payment of ten dollars to said county treasurer or secretary of the Game Commission shall be entitled to what is herein designated as a "Non-resident Hunter's License" and a tag with the number of the license thereon and said license and tag shall not be transferable

For services rendered in issuing such license and tag each county treasurer shall be entitled to retain five per centum of all license fees received and shall at least once a month forward to the State Treasurer for purposes hereinafter designated all balances from such fees in his hands and shall at the end of each week forward to the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners at Harrisburg a statement upon a form provided for such purpose by the Game Commission giving the names of the parties receiving non-resident licenses during that week together with their places of residence their ages as stated in the licenses and the numbers of such licenses issued to them.

Section 3 Said license shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the Board of Game Commissioners at the cost of the Commonwealth and shall bear a description of the person applying for the same with the date of its issue and shall authorize the person named therein to use legal fire-arms or traps for the purpose of hunting and killing any of the wild animals or birds either game or otherwise of this Commonwealth under the restrictions and requirements of existing laws during that year the date of which is inscribed thereon Said certificate shall become void upon the thirty-first day of December next following the date of issue The Game Commission shall also furnish free of charge and the county treasurer shall issue with each license a tag bearing the license number in figures at least one inch in height which tag such licensee shall at all times while either hunting or going to or coming from such hunt have attached to his outer garment either at the back of the sleeve between the shoulder and elbow or on his back where the figures thereon can be readily seen

Section 4 Possession of a gun or the setting or control of a trap of any kind in the fields or in the forests or on the waters or on the highways of this Commonwealth by non-residents of this Commonwealth without having secured the license required by this act duly issued in his or her name shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of its provisions and shall render such persons liable to display his license tag as aforesaid and to show his non-resident hunter's license to any officer of this Commonwealth whose duty it is to protect the game and wild birds of the Commonwealth or upon demand by the owner or the lessee or by the employee or representatives of such owner or lessee upon whose lands such person may be found in this Commonwealth and for failure to display the license tag as provided for by this act or for refusing or neglecting to comply with such request such person neglecting or refusing to display his license tag as aforesaid and exhibit his non-resident hunter's license or in any manner violating any provision of this section shall be liable to the penalties imposed by this act for hunting without a license

Section 5 Jurisdiction for summary conviction for violation of any of the provisions of this act is hereby specifically given to all aldermen magistrates and justices of the peace

Any person who shall be convicted summarily by any alderman magistrate or justice of the peace of the county of a violation of any of the provisions of this act shall be sentenced to pay a penalty as follows

If the defendant has violated any of the provisions of this act but has not killed or captured any game or wild animal nor resisted arrest nor refused to go with the ar-

resting officer nor interfered with the arresting officer the fine shall be twenty-five dollars for each offense and each day he may have so hunted contrary to the provisions of this act shall be considered a separate offense

In addition to the foregoing fine the defendant shall pay a penalty as follows

If the defendant has killed or wounded an elk the penalty shall be two hundred dollars with six months' imprisonment If he has shot at an elk but has not wounded or injured same the fine shall be one hundred dollars

If the defendant has killed or wounded or attempted to kill or wound a deer the fine shall be one hundred dollars

If the defendant has killed or wounded or attempted to kill or wound a bear the fine shall be fifty dollars

If the defendant has killed or wounded or attempted to kill or wound a game bird of any kind the fine shall be twenty-five dollars

If the defendant has resisted arrest for violation of the provisions of this act or has refused to go with the officer making the arrest or has in any manner interfered with the arresting officer the fine shall be one hundred dollars

In default of payment of the fine the defendant shall be sentenced to imprisonment at the rate of one day for each dollar of the fine and costs

Either the prosecutor or defendant being dissatisfied with the finding of the magistrate justice of the peace or alderman in a trial for a violation of any provision of this act shall be entitled to an appeal under the provisions of section fourteen of article five of the Constitution and of the laws of Pennsylvania relating thereto

Section 6 If the prosecutor is a paid game protector the fine shall be paid to the prosecutor who shall forward it to the Secretary of the Game Commission who shall pay it into the State Treasury for the use of the Game Commission as hereinafter provided

Section 7 If the prosecutor is other than a paid game protector one-half of the fine shall go to the prosecutor and shall be paid to him by the alderman magistrate or justice receiving the same The remaining half of the fine shall be forwarded by said alderman magistrate or justice of the peace within ten days to the Secretary of the Game Commission who shall deposit it into the State Treasury for purposes hereinafter designated

Section 8 Any person charged with the violation of any of the provisions of this act may in his discretion sign an acknowledgment of the offense committed and pay to the duly authorized game protector or deputy game protector the proper fine in full with costs to date He shall receive for money so paid a printed receipt which shall in all instances bear the seal of the Board of Game Commissioners and the signature of the secretary of the board This receipt shall be evidence of a full satisfaction of the offense so committed

Section 9 Any person whose duty it is to protect the game of the Commonwealth or any officer whose duty it is to preserve the peace of the Commonwealth may arrest without warrant any person caught in the act of violating any provisions of this act or in pursuit immediately following such violation and may seize all guns shooting paraphernalia traps dogs boats decoys or other appliances used in violation of any provision of this act and may seize all birds or animals game or otherwise found either in possession or under control of the suspected person within this Commonwealth All guns traps boats decoys dogs game and shooting paraphernalia seized when such arrest is made shall be held subject to the determination of the proceedings instituted Where the party accused is convicted all game seized shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth and as soon as may be shall be forwarded to the most convenient hospital or to a hospital designated by the secretary of the Game Commission for the use of the sick or injured therein

All birds and animals or parts thereof not classed as game in this Commonwealth thus seized shall be held subject to the order of the Board of Game Commissioners

Unless the fine and costs are paid all such seized guns traps boats decoys dogs and shooting paraphernalia shall be sold at public auction after advertising the same for five days by at least five public handbills conspicuously posted in the city borough or township wherein the conviction was secured The sale shall be held by and under the authority of the Game Commission The cost of such advertising shall be part of the costs of prosecution and shall be collected as such Any fund thus arising shall be applied first to the payment of the costs of prosecution then to the payment of the fine imposed The remainder if any shall be returned to the owner of the property seized

Where guns traps game dogs boats decoys or shooting paraphernalia of any description shall be seized and the owner thereof escapes arrest and refuses to present himself and make claim to the property all such game after lapse of three days after the seizure shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth and shall be sent to the most convenient hospital for the purpose before indicated in this section All guns traps dogs boats decoys and other shooting paraphernalia thus seized shall be held for a period of ten days after which time if the owner thereof fails to appear and defend himself against the charges made such property shall be sold in the manner prescribed for the sale of seized property after conviction The fund arising from such sale shall be applied as in the case of the sale after conviction

The fact that imprisonment is suffered by any person convicted of violating any provisions of this act shall not prevent the sale of guns dogs boats decoys or other shooting paraphernalia of any description held as the property of the imprisoned party and the application of the fund thus realized to the payment of the costs and the fine imposed

Section 10 All license fees and all fines collected for violation of any of the provisions of this act shall be paid to the State Treasurer as hereinbefore designated who shall keep the moneys thus collected as a fund separate and apart solely for the purpose of wild bird and game protection and for the purchase and propagation of game under the supervision of the Board of Game Commissioners The several purposes to which the fund shall be applied shall be clearly designated by act of Assembly

Section 11 An Act entitled "An Act requiring non-resident hunters and unnaturalized foreign born resident hunters to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its provisions and repealing an act approved the twenty-fourth day of April one thousand nine hundred and one" approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight) is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Beales,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,	
Hackett,	Miller,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act providing for filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Homsher,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Jones,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Kline,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	Lynch,		

NAYS—2.

Leiby, Smith, R. E.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 121, on third reading, entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing a method for the payment of the same and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 264, as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred eighty-six) entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

"In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand population one thousand dollars in such poor district containing one hundred and fifty thousand and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

"The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for services of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor The said poor directors shall have power to employ an attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper not however exceeding the rate of twenty-five dollars per month The population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand population one thousand dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and fifty thousand and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for services of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor and excepting also the pay of any director at a rate not to exceed three dollars and fifty cents per diem for attendance at any office of said directors of the poor in any city borough or township maintained and established under authority of existing law authorizing the maintenance and establishment of such an office to assist the work of said directors of the poor and which is not connected with the property of the poor district The said poor directors shall have power to employ an attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper The population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 320, entitled

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred one.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—1.

Wasbers,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 324, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act relating to borough officers employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions" extending the same to apply to cities of the third class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred sixty-two) entitled "An Act relating to borough officers employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall not be lawful for any burgess or members of council of any borough or any officer agent or employee thereof to be in any way interested either directly or indirectly in any contract for the sale or furnishing of any supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of such borough or to receive any reward or gratuity from any person interested in such contract or sale nor shall any such burgess member of council officer agent or employee of any borough be a member of any partnership or a stockholder or officer of any corporation or an agent or employe of any individual partnership or corporation in any way interested in any contract for the sale or furnishing of any supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of or any work to be done for such borough and any person violating these provisions or any of them shall forfeit his office or appointment in such borough and also shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall not be lawful for any burgess mayor or member of council of any borough or city of the third class or any officer agent or employee thereof to be in any way interested either directly or indirectly in any contract for the sale or furnishing of supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of such borough or city of the third class or to receive any reward or gratuity from any person interested in such contract or sale nor shall any such burgess mayor member of council officer agent or employee of any borough or city of the third class be a member of any partnership or a stockholder or officer of any corporation or an agent or employee of any individual partnership or corporation in any way interested in any contract for the sale or furnishing of any supplies or materials to be furnished to or for the use of or any work to be done for such borough or city of the third class and any person violating these provisions or any of them shall forfeit his office or appointment in such borough or city of the third class and also shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SASSAMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 330, on third reading, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth by adding thereto sections four and five.

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. HACKETT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 361 (House Bill No. 319), on third reading, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 381, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke Luzerne County Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 500, entitled

An Act entitled "An Act permitting the release of insane persons committed to the institutions of the Commonwealth and regulating such release and the appointment of parole officers."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 502 entitled

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth to certify the proceedings upon which this commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,		Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 503, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April sixth, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-one, approved the sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-two.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 513, as follows:

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the powers and duties of said office

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in each county having a population of more than one hundred thirty-five thousand inhabitants and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants the county taxes shall be collected by a receiver of taxes

Section 2 Upon the passage of this act the county commissioners of the respective counties shall appoint a receiver of taxes for such county to hold office until the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred eighteen or until his successor is elected and has qualified At the municipal election in the year one thousand nine hundred nineteen and quadrennially thereafter the qualified electors of each such counties shall elect a qualified elector of the county as receiver of taxes to serve for a term of four years from the first Monday of January next succeeding his election or until his successor is elected and has qualified Any vacancy in the office shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term

Section 3 The receiver of taxes shall before he enters upon the duties of his office take and subscribe the oath required by section one article seven of the Constitution and file the same in the office of the recorder of deeds He shall before he assumes the duties of his office enter into a bond to the Commonwealth in an amount to be fixed by the county commissioners The condition of the bond shall be that the receiver of taxes shall pay over or account for according to law the whole amount of taxes charged in the duplicates delivered to him during his term of office The bond shall be presented to the court of quarter sessions for approval and if approved shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions

Section 4 The receiver of taxes shall receive an annual salary of three thousand six hundred dollars to be paid monthly by the county treasurer The receiver of taxes may appoint two deputies at an annual salary not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars each and not exceeding two clerks at an annual salary not to exceed twelve hundred dollars each The deputies shall possess all the powers with regard to the collection of county taxes hereinafter conferred upon the receiver of taxes

Section 5 The receiver of taxes in such counties shall have an office at the court house which shall be open each day for the receipts of taxes The county commissioners shall furnish the receiver of taxes with books of numbered receipts blank forms of notices and all postage and supplies which may be necessary for the proper conduct of his office

Section 6 When the yearly or triennial assessments for county purposes in any city borough town or township of any such county have been made and revised and all appeals therefrom have been heard and finally determined the county commissioners shall issue a duplicate of all county taxes including taxes upon unseated lands levied in any such district to the receiver of taxes with their warrant atached The warrant shall be effectual for the collection of taxes within said city borough town or township for a period of two years The commissioners shall issue separate duplicates for each city borough town or township and taxes in any particular district shall become due and payable as soon as the duplicate is delivered to the receiver of taxes

Section 7 The county commissioners shall at the time of the delivery of any duplicate to the receiver of taxes certify the amount of such duplicate to the county treasurer who shall charge the receiver of taxes with the amount thereof

Section 8 Upon the delivery of any duplicate the receiver of taxes shall proceed to collect the taxes levied in such duplicate and shall within thirty days after such delivery notify each taxable whole name appears on the duplicate The notice shall state (a) the valuation of the property of the taxable (b) the rate of taxation (c) the valuation of the occupation of the taxable (d) the full amount of taxes for which the taxable is liable (e) a statement that the taxes are due and payable (f) a place within the district and time when payment can be made (g) a statement of the time during which an abatement will be allowed (h) when the full amount of tax will be collected and (i) when an additional percentage will be added as a penalty The notice shall be mailed to the last known postoffice address of each taxable

Section 9 All persons making payment of county taxes charged against them within ninety days from the date of the notice as provided in section six shall be entitled to a reduction of five per centum from the amount thereof Persons failing to make payment of their taxes within six months after the date of the notice shall be charged five per centum additional on the taxes charged against them which shall be added thereto by the receiver of taxes and be collected by him

Section 10 The receiver shall furnish each taxable on the payment of his county taxes with a receipt setting out the date of payment the name of the taxpayer the amount of each particular tax and the name of the district and shall also make upon the stub in the book corresponding to the receipt a memorandum containing the same date as the receipt The stubs of all such receipts shall be kept in the office of the receiver of taxes and be open to public inspection

Section 11 The receiver shall attend at least two days in each city borough town and township for the purpose of receiving taxes One of the days on which the receiver of taxes attends in a district shall be during the time in which a rebate is allowed and the other day shall be before the penalty attaches

Section 12 The receiver of taxes shall make monthly returns to the county commissioners showing the amounts collected during the preceding month and the amount of uncollected taxes upon the respective duplicates The receiver of taxes shall at the time of making any return to the county commissioners pay over to the county treasury all the taxes collected during the preceding month and the county treasurer shall credit the receiver of taxes with the amount so paid over

Section 13 The county commissioners shall allow to the receiver of taxes such abatements and exonerations as to them shall appeal just and reasonable The county commissioners shall cause to be entered in a book kept for that purpose the names of the persons to whom an abatement or exoneration was allowed the reason for each abatement and exoneration the amount thereof and the date when made The county commissioners shall give to the receiver of taxes a certificate directed to the county treasurer state the nature of the tax and the amount abated or exonerated and the county treasurer shall credit the receiver of taxes with the amount of such abatement or exoneration

Section 14 If any person shall neglect or refuse to make payment of the amount due by him for any county tax within thirty days from the date of the notice as provided in section eight the taxes of such person shall become delinquent and the receiver of taxes may levy the amount of such taxes by distress of the goods and chattels of such person and after ten days' public notice by written or printed advertisement the receiver of taxes may sell the goods and chattels of such delinquent

Section 15 Every tenant of lands and tenements shall be liable to pay all taxes which during his possession or occupancy may become due and payable thereon The goods and chattels of any such tenant shall be liable to distress and sale as provided in section fourteen of this act for any such taxes remaining unpaid Having paid any taxes the tenant may by an action of assumpsit or otherwise recover from his landlord the amount paid or at his election may defalcate the amount thereof in payment of rent due to such landlord unless such defalcation or recovery would impair any contract or agreement between the landlord and tenant previously made

Section 16 In case goods and chattels sufficient to satisfy the amount of the tax due by any taxable cannot be found upon the premises of the taxable the receiver of taxes may take the body of the delinquent taxable and convey him

to the jail of the county there to remain until the amount of such tax together with the costs shall be paid or secured to be paid or until he shall be otherwise discharged by due process of law The receiver of taxes shall not imprison any female or minor or person found by a judicial proceeding to be of unsound mind

Section 17 The personal representative of any deceased receiver of taxes may enforce the collection of unpaid taxes in the same manner as the receiver could if living and may employ a suitable person to act for them in the execution of the warrant with all the powers possessed by the deceased receiver of taxes

Section 18 The receiver of taxes shall on or before the last day of the year in which any taxes are levied make return to the county commissioners and county treasurer of all seated and unseated lands for which personal property cannot be found sufficient to pay such taxes The receiver of taxes shall add to the amount of the tax returned against any property a penalty of five per centum

Section 19 The receiver of taxes shall make a complete settlement of all taxes upon his duplicates with the county treasurer not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office On making such settlement the receiver shall make oath or affirmation that he has made a true and just return of all moneys by him collected for county taxes The oath or affirmation shall be administered by the county treasurer and shall be filed in the office of the county commissioners

Section 20 A receiver of taxes who converts any money collected for county taxes to his own use or who uses by way of investment any money so collected or refuse to pay the same over at the times and places required by this act to the person authorized to receive the same is guilty of embezzlement and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to imprisonment not exceeding five years or to pay a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or both

Section 21 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally,

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Craig,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Croft,	Hindman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Vare,
Daix,	Jones,	Patton,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—4.

Hackett,	Homsher,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 525, entitled

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-one, entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County,'" approved the eighth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-two, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Stewart,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Vare,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Warner,
Croft,	Homsher,	Patton,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Jones,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	Lynch,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 535, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county, issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-three.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 536, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-three.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 537, entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act, entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans court in the County of Allegheny and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-six.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Sones,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 538, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County and regulating compensation," approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 540, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health; by regulating the possession, control, receipt, administering, prescribing, dispensing, sale, delivering, and giving away of certain drugs and keeping records thereof; by regulating the administering, dispensing, prescribing and delivery of certain drugs to habitual users of said drugs and regulating the treatment and cure of said habitual users of said drugs; by providing for the revocation of the licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists and registered nurses for drug addiction and for violating the provisions of this act; and otherwise fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 541, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio in Allegheny County to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 545 (House Bill No. 177), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford, Philadelphia.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), as follows:

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section thirty-five of the act approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" which reads as follows

"Section 35 (1) If the partnership is not dissolved because it has become unlawful to carry on the business a partner cannot after dissolution bind the partnership to third persons by any act which is not necessary to wind up the partnership affairs or to complete transactions then unfinished unless

(a) Such third person having had relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended upon the faith of the partnership has had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(b) Such third person not having had business relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended to the partnership has no knowledge or notice of the dissolution and the fact of dissolution has not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation of the place (or of each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on and in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The partnership is in no case bound by the acts of a partner who has become bankrupt but this provision does not affect the liability of any person who as declared by section sixteen after bankruptcy has represented himself or consented to another's representing him to be a partner of the bankrupt" be and the same is hereby to read as follows

Section 35 Power of partner to bind partnership to third person after dissolution) (1) After dissolution a partner can bind the partnership except as provided in paragraph (3)

(a) By any act appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or completing transactions unfinished at dissolution

(b) By any transaction which would bind the partnership if dissolution had not taken place provided the other party to the transaction

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(II) Though he had not so extended credit had nevertheless known of the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of dissolution the fact of dissolution and had not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the place (or in each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The liability of a partner under paragraph (Ib) shall be satisfied out of partnership assets alone when such partner had been prior to dissolution

(a) Unknown as a partner to the person with whom the contract is made and

(b) So far unknown and inactive in partnership affairs that the business reputation of the partnership could not be said to have been in any degree due to his connection with it

(3) The partnership is in no case bound by any act of a partner after dissolution

(a) Where the partnership is dissolved because it is unlawful to carry on the business unless the act is appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or

(b) Where the partner has become bankrupt or

(c) Where the partner has no authority to wind up partnership affairs except by a transaction with one who

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of his want of authority or

(II) Had not extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of his want of authority and the fact of his want of authority has not been advertised in the manner provided for advertising the fact of dissolution in paragraph (1b II)

(4) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability under section sixteen of any person who after dissolution represents himself or consents to another representing him as a partner in a partnership engaged in carrying on business

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

[illegible],	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 549 (House Bill No. 249), entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, five and six of an act, entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions; approved the ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more, or all of the partners, may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner, or partners, respectively, and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions,' approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine; by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act;" approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liabilities of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liabilities of more than one but not all the partners is limited.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 550 (House Bill No. 250), as follows:

An Act relating to limited partnerships Contents

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(Limited Partnership Defined)

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a limited partnership is a partnership formed by two or more persons under the provisions of section two having as members one or more general partners and one or more limited partners The limited partners as such shall not be bound by the obligations of the partnership

Section 2 (Formation) (1) Two or more persons desiring to form a limited partnership shall

(a) Sign and swear to a certificate which shall state

I The name of the partnership

II The character of the business

III The location of the principal place of business

IV The name and place of residence of each member general and limited partners being respectively designated

V The term for which the partnership is to exist

VI The amount of cash and a description of and the agreed value of the other property contributed by each limited partner

VII The additional contributions if any agreed to be made by each limited partner and the times at which or events on the happening of which they shall be made

VIII The time if agreed upon when the contribution of each limited partner is to be returned

IX The share of the profits or the other compensation by way of income which each limited partner shall receive by reason of his contribution

X The right if given of a limited partner to substitute an assignee as contributor in his place and the terms and conditions of the substitution

XI The right if given of the partners to admit additional limited partners

XII The right if given of one or more of the limited partners to priority over other limited partners as to contributions or as to compensation by way of income and the nature of such priority

XIII The right if given of the remaining general partner or partners to continue the business on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner and

XIV The right if given of a limited partner to demand and receive property other than cash in return for his contribution

(b) File for record the certificate in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which the principal place of business of the limited partnership shall be located

(2) A limited partnership is formed if there has been substantial compliance in good faith with the requirements of paragraph (1)

(3) The recorder of deeds shall record the certificate and the acknowledgment thereto at large in a book to be kept for that purpose open to public inspection

Section 3 (Business which may be carried on) A limited partnership may carry on any business which a partnership without limited partners may carry on

Section 4 (Character of limited partner's contribution) The contributions of a limited partner may be cash or other property but not services

Section 5 (A name not to contain surname of limited partner exceptions) (1) The surname of a limited partner shall not appear in the partnership name unless

(a) It is also the surname of a general partner or

(b) Prior to the time when the limited partner became such the business had been carried on under a name in which his surname appeared

(2) A limited partner whose name appears in a partnership name contrary to the provisions of paragraph (1) is liable as a general partner to partnership creditors who extend credit to the partnership without actual knowledge that he is not a general partner

Section 6 (Liability for False Statements in Certificates) If the certificate contains a false statement one who suffers loss by reliance on such statement may hold liable any party to the certificate who knew the statement to be false

(a) at the time he signed the certificate or

(b) Subsequently but within a sufficient time before the statement was relied upon to enable him to cancel or amend the certificate or to file a petition for its cancellation or amendment as provided in section twenty-five (3)

Section 7 (Limited Partner Not Liable to Creditors) A limited partner shall not become liable as a general partner unless in addition to the exercise of his rights and powers as a limited partner he takes part in the control of the business

Section 8 (Admission of Additional Limited Partners) After the formation of a limited partnership additional limited partners may be admitted upon filing an amendment to the original certificate in accordance with the requirements of section twenty-five

Section 9 (Rights Powers and Liabilities of a General Partner) (1) A general partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of a partner in a partnership without limited partners except that without the written consent or ratification of the specific act by all the limited partners a general partner or all of the general partners have no authority to

(a) Do any act in contravention of the certificate

(b) Do any act which would make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the partnership

(c) Confess a judgment against the partnership

(d) Possess partnership property or assign their rights in specific partnership property for other than a partnership purpose

(e) Admit a person as a general partner

(f) Admit a person as a limited partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

(g) Continue the business with partnership property on the death retirement or insanity of a general partner unless the right so to do is given in the certificate

Section 10 (Rights of a Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner shall have the same rights as a general partner to

(a) Have the partnership books kept at the principal place of business of the partnership and at all times to inspect and copy any of them

(b) Have on demand true and full information of all things affecting the partnership and a formal account of partnership affairs whenever circumstances render it just and reasonable and

(c) Have dissolution and winding up by decree of court

(2) A limited partner shall have the right to receive a share of the profits or other compensation by way of income and to the return of his contribution as provided in sections fifteen and sixteen

Section 11 (Status of Persons Erroneously Believing Himself a Limited Partner) A person who has contributed to the capital of a business conducted by a person or partnership erroneously believing that he has become a limited partner in a limited partnership is not by reason of his exercise of the rights of a limited partner a general partner with the person or in the partnership carrying on the business or bound by the obligations of such person or partnership provided that on ascertaining the mistake he promptly renounces his interest in the profits of the business or other compensation by way of income

Section 12 (One Person both General and Limited Partner) (1) A person may be a general partner and a limited partner in the same partnership at the same time

(2) A person who is a general and also at the same time a limited partner shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the restrictions of a general partner except that in respect to his contribution he shall have the rights against the other members which he would have had if he were not also a general partner

Section 13 (Loans and Other Business Transactions with Limited Partner) (1) A limited partner also may loan money to and transact other business with the partnership and unless he is also a general partner receive on account of resulting claims against the partnership with general creditors a pro rata share of the assets No limited partner shall in respect to any such claim

(a) Receive or hold as collateral security any partnership property or

(b) Receive from a general partner or the partnership any payment conveyance or release from liability if at the time the assets of the partnership are not sufficient to discharge partnership liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners

(2) The receiving of collateral security or a payment conveyance or release in violation of the provisions of paragraph (1) is a fraud on the creditors of the partnership

Section 14 (Relation of Limited Partners Inter Se) Where there are several limited partners the members may agree that one or more of the limited partners shall have priority over other limited partners as to the return of their contributions as to their compensation by way of income or as to any other matter If such an agreement is made it shall be stated in the certificate and in the absence of such a statement all the limited partners shall stand upon equal footing

Section 15 (Compensation of limited partner) A limited partner may receive from the partnership the share of the profits or the compensation by way of income stipulated for in the certificate provided that after such payment is made whether from the property of the partnership or that of a general partner the partnership assets are in excess of all liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

Section 16 (Withdrawal or reduction of limited partner's contribution) (1) A limited partner shall not receive from

a general partner or out of partnership property any part of his contribution until

(a) All liabilities of the partnership except liabilities to general partners and to limited partners on account of their contributions have been paid or there remains property of the partnership sufficient to pay them

(b) The consent of all members is had unless the return of the contribution may be rightfully demanded under the provisions of paragraph (2) and

(c) The certificate is cancelled or so amended as to set forth the withdrawal or reduction

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) a limited partner may rightfully demand the return of his contribution

(a) On the dissolution of a partnership or

(b) When the date specified in the certificate for its return has arrived or

(c) After he has given six mouths' notice in writing to all other members if no time is specified in the certificate either for the return of the contribution or for the dissolution of the partnership

(3) In the absence of any statement in the certificate to the contrary or the consent of all members a limited partner irrespective of the nature of his contribution has only the right to demand and receive cash in return for his contribution

(4) A limited partnership may have the partnership dissolved and its affairs wound up when

(a) He rightfully but unsuccessfully demands the return of his contribution or

(b) The other liabilities of the partnership have not been paid or the partnership property is insufficient for their payment as required by paragraph (1a) and the limited partner would otherwise be entitled to the return of his contribution

Section 17 (Liabililty of limited partner to partnership) (1) A limited partner is liable to the partnership

(a) For the difference between his contribution as actually made and that stated in the certificate as having been made and

(b) For any unpaid contribution which he agreed in the certificate to make in the future at the time and on the conditions stated in the certificate

(2) A limited partner holds as trustee for the partnership

(a) Specific property stated in the certificate as contributed by him but which was not contributed or which has been wrongfully returned and

(b) Money or other property wrongfully paid or conveyed to him on account of his contribution

(3) The liabilities of a limited partner as set forth in this section can be waived or compromised only by the consent of all members but a waiver or compromise shall not affect the right of a creditor of a partnership who extended credit or whose claim arose after the filing and before a cancellation or amendment of the certificate to enforce such liabilities

(4) When a limited partner has rightfully received the return in whole or in part of the capital of his contribution he is nevertheless liable to the partnership for any sum not in excess of such return with interest necessary to discharge its liabilities to all creditors who extend credit or whose claims arose before such return

Section 18 (Nature of limited partner's interest in partnership) A limited partner's interest in the partnership is personal property

Section 19 (Assignment of limited partner's interest) (1) A limited partner's interest is assignable

(2) A substituted limited partner is a person admitted to all the rights of a limited partner who has died or has assigned his interest in a partnership.

(3) An assignee who does not become a substituted limited partner has no right to require any information or account of the partnership transactions or to inspect the partnership books he is only entitled to receive the share of the profits or other compensation by way of income or the return of his contribution to which his assignor would otherwise be entitled

(4) An assignee shall have the right to become a substituted limited partner if all the members (except the assignor) consent thereto or if the assignor being thereunto empowered by the certificate gives the assignee that right

(5) An assignee becomes a substituted limited partner when the certificate is approximately amended in accordance with section twenty-five

(6) The substituted limited partner has all the rights and powers and is subject to all the restrictions and liabilities of his assignor except those liabilities of which he was ignorant at the time he became a limited partner and which could not be ascertained from the certificate

(7) The substitution of the assignee as a limited partner does not release the assignor from liability to the partnership under sections six and seventeen

Section 20 (Effect of retirement death or insanity of a general partner) (The retirement death or insanity of a general partner dissolves the partnership unless the business is continued by the remaining general partners

(a) Under a right so to do stated in the certificate or

(b) With the consent of all members.

Section 21 (Death of limited Partner) (1) On the death of a limited partner his executor or administrator shall have all the rights of a limited partner for the purpose of settling his estate and such power as the deceased had to constitute his assignee a substituted limited partner

(2) The estate of a deceased limited partner shall be liable for all his liabilities as a limited partner

Section 22 (Rights of creditors of limited partner) (1) On due application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any judgment creditor of a limited partner the court may charge the interest of the indebted limited partner with payment of the unsatisfied amount of the judgment debt and may appoint a receiver and make all other orders directions and inquiries which the circumstances of the case may require

(2) The interest may be redeemed with the separate property of any general partner but may not be redeemed with partnership property

(3) The remedies conferred by paragraph (1) shall not be deemed exclusive of others which may exist

(4) Nothing in this act shall be held to deprive a limited partner of his statutory exemption

Section 23 (Distribution of Assets) (1) In settling accounts after dissolution the liabilities of the partnership shall be entitled to payment in the following order

(a) Those to creditors in the order of priority as provided by law except those to limited partners on account of their contributions and to general partners

(b) Those to limited partners in respect to their share of the profits and other compensation by way of income on their contributions

(c) Those to limited partners in respect to the capital of their contributions

(d) Those to general partners other than for capital and profits

(e) Those to general partners in respect to profits

(f) Those to general partners in respect to capital

(2) Subject to any statement in the certificate or to subsequent agreement limited partners share in the partnership assets in respect to their claims for capital and in respect to their claims for profits or for compensation by way of income on their contributions respectively in proportion to the respective amounts of such claims

Section 24 (When Certificate Shall be Cancelled or Amended) (1) The certificate shall be cancelled when the partnership is dissolved or all limited partners cease to be such

(2) A certificate shall be amended when

(a) There is a change in the name of the partnership or in the amount or character of the contribution of any limited partner

(b) A person is substituted as a limited partner

(c) An additional limited partner is admitted

(d) A person is admitted as a general partner

(e) A general partner retires dies or becomes insane and the business is continued under section twenty

(f) There is a change in the character of the business of the partnership

(g) There is a false or erroneous statement in the certificate

(h) There is a change in the time as stated in the certificate for the dissolution of the partnership or for the return of a contribution

(i) A time is fixed for the dissolution of the partnership or the return of a contribution no time having been specified in the certificate or

(j) The members desire to make a change in any other statement in the certificate in order that it shall accurately represent the agreement between them

Section 25 (Requirements for Amendment and for Cancellation of Certificate) (1) The writing to amend a certificate shall

(a) Conform to the requirements of section two (1a) as far as necessary to set forth clearly the change in the certificate which it is desired to make and

(b) Be signed and sworn to by all members and an amendment substituting a limited partner or adding a limited or general partner shall be signed also by the member to be substituted or added and when a limited partner is to be substituted the amendment shall also be signed by the assigning limited partner

(2) The writing to cancel a certificate shall be signed by all members

(3) A person desiring the cancellation or amendment of a certificate if any person designated in paragraphs (1) and (2) as a person who must execute the writing refuses to do so may petition the court of common pleas of the county in which the certificate is filed to direct a cancellation or amendment thereof

(4) If the court finds that the petiitoner has a right to have the writing executed by a person who refuses to do so it shall order the recorder of deeds in the office where the certificate is recorded to record the cancellation or amendment of the certificate and where the certificate is to be amended the court shall also cause to be filed for record in said office a certified copy of its decree setting forth the amendment

(5) A certificate is amended or cancelled when there is filed for record in the office of the recorder of deeds where the certificate is recorded

(a) A writing in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) or (2) or

(b) A certified copy of the order of court in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4)

(6) After the certificate is duly amended in accordance with this section the amended certificate shall thereafter be for all purposes the certificate provided for by this act

Section 26 (Parties to Actions) A contributor unless he is a general partner is not a proper party to proceedings by or against a partnership except where the object is to enforce a limited partner's right against or liability to the partnership

Section 27 (Name of Act) This act may be cited as The Uniform Limited Partnership Act

Section 28 (Rules of Construction) (1) The rule that statutes in derogation of the common law are to be strictly construed shall have no application to this act

(2) This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effect its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states which enact it

(3) This act shall not be so construed as to impair the obligations of any contract existing when the act goes into effect nor to affect any action or proceedings begun or right accrued before this act takes effect

Section 29 (Rules for Cases not Provided for in this Act) In any case not provided for in this act the rules of law and equity including the law merchant shall govern

Section 30 (Provisions for Existing Limited Partnerships formed under act of one thousand eight hundred thirty-six)

(1) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act may become a limited partnership under this act by complying with the provisions of section two provided the certificate sets forth

(a) The amount of the original contribution of each limited partner and the time when the contribution was made and

(b) That the property of the partnership exceeds the amount sufficient to discharge its liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners by an amount greater than the sum of the contributions of its limited partners

(2) A limited partnership formed under an act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six prior to the adoption of this act until or unless it becomes a limited partnership under this act shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such act its amendments and supplements except that such partnership shall not be renewed unless so provided in the original agreement

Section 31 (acts repealed) Except as affecting existing limited partnerships to the extent set forth in section thirty the following acts are hereby repealed

An act approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six entitled "An Act relative to limited partnerships"

So much of an act in the form of a resolution approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight entitled "Resolution relative to State Library and for other purposes" as relates to limited partnerships being the last five resolutions in said act

An act approved the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight entitled "A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six"

An act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "A Further Supplement to an act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted"

An act approved the twenty-first day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'A Further Supplement to the act relating to limited partnerships approved March twenty-first one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six authorizing a special partner to make contribution in goods and defining the manner in which said partnerships may be conducted approved March thirtieth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five"

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 556 (House Bill No. 583), entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled "A Supplement to an act to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State Hospitals for the Insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred eighty-five" as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 562, entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement or reconstruction of certain State highways in certain cases upon the property abuting the line of improvement and providing for the collection of such assessments.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 572, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover the deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farview Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 573, entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 581, entitled

An Act empowering certain corporations societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the court of common pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 595, entitled

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings, partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the court of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title, page 1, line 2, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of.'

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 643 (House Bill No. 384), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 698, entitled

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names, styles or title identical with or similar to the names, styles or titles of State boards, commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names, styles or titles, where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations, and those of said State boards, commissions or other activities.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The PRESIDENT. The Senator from Cambria, Mr. Tompkins, will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I just want to make a statement in regard to Senate Bill No. 19, abolishing capital punishment. I want to say this bill is the handiwork of John Francies, warden of the Western Penitentiary, and that the work that has been done in this body and the House of Representatives is largely credited to Representative Wells, of Philadelphia, and Representative Hess, of Lancaster.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 121, entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 121, as follows:

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same, and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a reward or bounty shall be paid by this Commonwealth for the killing within the Commonwealth only of the following noxious animals For each Canada or Bay lynx commonly called bobcat or wild-cat the sum of ten dollars for each fox the sum of two dollars for each weasel the sum of one dollar and fifty cents and for each mink the sum of one dollar

Section 2 It shall be the duty of any person who having killed within this Commonwealth one or more of the animals named in section one of this act and being desirous of securing the reward or bounty named for such killing as fixed by section one of this act to produce such slain animal or animals or the entire pelt thereof before any game protector or special deputy game protector or any other person authorized to administer oaths within this Commonwealth and to make affidavit that he or some member of his family naming such person killed the same naming it stating clearly the approximate time of such killing that it was killed in a wild state that the place where such animal was killed naming it was within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that such animal was not reared in captivity

Upon the production of such animal or pelt before any person authorized to take affidavits under the provisions of this act such official shall prepare his statement in accordance with the provisions of this and such official shall include in one affidavit all claims for bounty that may be made by one person at one time not to exceed five and shall excepting in the case of a salaried game protector receive in full for services rendered a fee of twenty-five cents where but one animal is named in such affidavit Where more than one animal is named in one affidavit the fee shall be fifty cents such fee in all cases to be paid by the claimant for bounty The affidavit shall preferably be made upon forms to be provided by the Board of Game Commissioners on demand made by any person authorized to take affidavits within this Commonwealth and all affidavits of this character shall in all cases clearly set forth the name of the animal killed for which a bounty is claimed the name of the person killing same the approximate time when such animal was killed that it was killed in a wild state giving as nearly as possible the name of the place and county within this Commonwealth where same was killed and that such animal was not reared in captivity Upon the completion of such affidavit and the payment of the fee as above stated the game protector or other person administering the oath shall deliver said affidavit and skin or pelt brought before him to the claimant for bounty who shall as soon as may be forward such affidavit and the skin or pelt of the animal or animals for the killing of which a bounty is claimed and named in such affidavit to the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners at Harrisburg

Section 3 Upon the receipt of such affidavit and skins or pelts in proper form the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners being satisfied that the skins or pelt presented to him are the skins or pelts of animals for the killing of which a bounty is offered by this act and that such claims are in all respects legitimate shall as quickly as may be forward his check to the claimant for the amount found to be due and shall return all such skins or pelts at the expense of the bounty fund to such address as the owner may direct and shall at least once a month render an accounting to the Auditor General in such form as he may prescribe of all claims paid giving the name and address of the payee the number of the check given and the amount so paid

For the purposes of this authority the secretary of the game commission is hereby empowered to make requisition upon the fund in the State Treasury designated by law as the bounty fund and to secure through a warrant of the Auditor General such an amount monthly from such fund as may be considered necessary to meet the demands that may be made for bounty during the succeeding month The bond of the secretary of the game commission shall be in such an amount as to cover the amount of cash in his hands at any time

Section 4 The Auditor General upon presentation to him of the requisition of the secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners shall draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer against the fund hereinafter designated received from the hunters' license fees fines penalties and other laws of this Commonwealth as set out in the third section of this act of Assembly and hereinafter designated "fund for the payment of bounties"

Section 5 Pursuant to section twelve of the act of April seventeen one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five) providing for the licensing of hunters which provides "It being specifically provided that fifty per centum of any fund returned to the State through or because of the provisions of this act or so much of said fifty per centum as may be needed shall be applied by the Legislature at its biennial sessions to the payment of bounties" one-half of the said sum hereafter received from all hunters' license fees fines and penalties under the provisions of this act of Assembly and all other fines and penalties set apart under any other laws of this Commonwealth for the payment of bounties are hereby directed to be placed by the State Treasurer in a separate and special fund to be designated and known as "fund for the payment of bounties" and all of the moneys placed in said fund are declared to be available as soon as paid into the State Treasury and are hereby specifically appropriated for the payment of the bounties as provided by this act and the Auditor General shall charge against the said fund all the warrants drawn by him for the payments of bounties and the State Treasurer is directed to pay out of said fund all of the warrants so drawn by the Auditor General in favor of the Secretary of the game commission Provided That the office expenses clerk hire postage et cetera necessary to the performance of the extra duties imposed by this act upon the Board of Game Commissioners shall be a charge against the fund created by this act and shall be paid upon requisition of the secretary of said board and in the same form and manner as requisitions for bounty are paid Provided further That any moneys so placed in this fund and not needed under the provisions of this act shall be used solely for the purpose of wild bird and game protection under the supervision of the Board of Game Commissioners to be appropriated by the Legislature in the same manner as other moneys held separate and apart for such use.

Section 6 The game protectors and special deputy game protectors of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby authorized and empowered to administer the oath necessary to the proving of the claims made as provided by section two of this act but no charge for administering such oath is to be made by any salaried game protector

Section 7 It shall be unlawful for any person at any time to claim or to receive a bounty for the killing of any animal named in this act the front of the face of which is split before presentation to the persons authorized to take affidavits under the provisions of this act or to at any time collect or attempt to collect a second bounty for the killing of any animal under the provisions of this act or to collect or attempt to collect such bounty through the presentation of the skin or carcass or any part thereof of on animal not named in this act or through deception of any character or to present for the purpose of securing the bounty provided for by this act the skin or carcass or any part thereof of an animal that has been reared in captivity or the skin or carcass or any part thereof of any animal killed or captured outside of this Commonwealth Every person who shall wilfully or fraudulently collect or

attempt to collect any reward or bounty provided for by this act to which he or they are not legally entitled under the provisions of this act or shall aid or abet or assist in any capacity official or otherwise in an attempt to defraud the State through the collection or payment of any reward or bounty provided for by this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall in addition to the penalty that may be imposed for perjury where a false affidavit is made be sentenced to pay to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or more than five hundred dollars or in default of the payment thereof with costs shall suffer an imprisonment in the common jail of the county in which the affidavit is made for a period of one day in jail for each dollar of fine imposed and unpaid

Section 8 An Act entitled "An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing a method for the payment of the same and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions here" approved the fifteen day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twenty-six) is hereby repealed

The repeal of the aforesaid act of Assembly shall not affect any prosecutions pending at the date this act becomes effective nor prevent the institution of any prosecutions for violation of any provisions of the aforesaid act committed prior to the date this act becomes effective but all such pending prosecutions shall be terminated and all such violations shall be prosecuted in the same manner and under the same authority and with like effect as prior to the date this act becomes effective

Section 9 The provisions of this act shall be effective on and after the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and no prior to that date

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Semmens,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,
Craig,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Croft,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Daix,	Jones,	Phipps,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	Lynch,		

NAYS—1.

Snyder, P. W.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Repreesntatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 255, as follows:

An Act to fix the time for filing nomination papers for State and municipal officers and for determination by the courts of contested papers

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter nomination papers made by independent bodies of citizens naming candidates for State offices shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth at least sixty (60) days before the day of election and in the case of nomination papers for offices to be filed with the County Commissioners at least thirty-five (35) days before the day of election

Section 2 With respect to papers filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth objections shall be heard and finally determined by the proper court at least thirty (30) days before the day of election objections and legal procedure to be conducted as now provided by law

Section 3 The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall thirty (30) days previous to the day of any election transmit to the County Commissioners and the sheriff of each county the names of all candidates whose papers have been filed with him which have not been found and declared to be invalid also copies of the text of all proposed Constitutional Amendments to be voted upon at such election

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 256, as follows:

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four and paragraph one of section five of an act entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices and imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That paragraph "a" of section four of an act entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows:

"Section 4 (a) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such petition for each office to be filled and shall declare therein that he has signed no inconsistent petition Provided however That where there are to be elected two or more persons to the same office each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for such office as and no more than he could vote for at the succeeding election He shall also declare therein that he is a qualified elector of the county named in the sheet which he signs and in case the nomination is not to be made by the electors of the State at large of the political district or division therein named in which the nomination is to be made He shall add his occupation and residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any and shall also add the date of signing No nomination petition shall be circulated prior to sixty (60) days before the last day on which such petition may be filed and no signature shall be counted unless it bears date within sixty (60) days of the last day for filing the same

Said nomination petition may be on one or more sheets and different sheets must be used for signers resident in different counties Each sheet shall have appended thereto the affidavit of some person not necessarily a signer and not necessarily the same person on each sheet setting forth that the affiant is a qualified elector of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be referred to in said petition his residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any that the signers signed with full knowledge of the contents of the petition that their respective residences are correctly stated therein that they all reside in the county named in the affidavit and that each signed on the date set opposite his name and that to the best of affiant's knowledge and belief signers are qualified electors of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 (a) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such petition for each office to be filled and shall declare therein that he has signed no inconsistent petition Provided however That where there are to be elected two or more persons to the same office each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for such office as and no more than he could vote for at the succeeding election He shall also declare therein that he is a qualified elector of the county named in the sheet which he signs and in case the nomination is not to be made by the electors of the State at large of the political district or division therein named in which the nomination is to be made he shall add his occupation and residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any and shall also add the date of signing No nomination petition shall be circulated prior to forty (40) days before the last day on which such petition may be filed and no signature shall be counted unless it bears date within forty (40) days of the last day for filing same

Said nomination petition may be on one or more sheets and different sheets must be used for signers resident in different counties Each sheet shall have appended thereto the affidavit of some person—not necessarily a signer and not necessarily the same person on each sheet—setting forth that the affiant is a qualified elector of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be referred to in said petition his residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any that the

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Section 2 That the first paragraph of section five which reads as follows

"Section 5 The nomination petitions in the case of candidates for the office of judge shall be filed at least four weeks prior to the primary with the Secretary of the Commonwealth Nomination petitions in all other cases shall be filed at least three weeks prior to the primary with the county commissioners of the respective counties" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 The nomination petitions in the case of candidates for the office of judge shall be filed at least forty days prior to the primary with the Secretary of the Commonwealth Nomination petitions in all other cases shall be filed at least four weeks prior to the primary with the county commissioners of the respective counties

Section 3 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 257, entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States, and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties providing and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation approved the twelfth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 That hereafter all candidates of political parties as herein defined for the office of United States Senator for the office of Representative in Congress for all elective State county city ward borough township school district and election division or district offices and for all other elective public offices except that of presidential elector shall be nominated and delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and State committeemen shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act and in no other manner All such party officers as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by the vote of the party electors shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act excepting members of the National committee who shall be elected as hereinafter provided In the years when candidates for the office of President of the United States are to be nominated every qualified elector of a political party herein defined to be a political party within the State shall have opportunity at the primaries held in such years subject to the provisions of this act to vote his preference for one person to be the candidate of his political party for President This act shall not apply to the nomination of candidates to be voted for at special elections to fill vacancies except when such special election is held at the time of a regular election and such vacancy occurred or existed at least sixty days prior to the regular primary antecedent to such regular election and nothing herein contained shall prevent any body of electors not constituting a political party from nominating candidates by nomination papers as is now or may hereafter be provided by law

The State committee of each political party may make such rules for the government of such State committee not inconsistent with law as it may deem expedient and may also revoke or alter or amend in any manner not inconsistent with law any present or future rules of such State committee

National committeemen shall be elected by the State committee of each respective party unless the rules of the national party otherwise provided in which case they shall be elected in the manner provided by the rules of the national party and all State committeemen shall be elected by Senatorial districts Each Senatorial district shall be entitled to elect two members of the State committee except where a Senatorial district is composed of more than one county or part of a county in which event the electors residing in each county or part of a county embraced in the said senatorial district shall be entitled to elect one State committeeman The State committeemen thus elected shall meet for organization not later than the third Wednesday following their election at such hour and place as shall be designated by the State chairman of each respective party The said State committeemen shall be elected at the fall primary in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified at the spring primary of the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen Provided however That where the existing rules of a party provide for the election of State committeemen by the county committeemen of the respective counties in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen the State Committeemen so elected shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified under the provisions of this act at the spring primary in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen Thereafter the said State committeemen of all parties shall be elected at the spring primary

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of National committeemen shall be filled by the State committee of the respective party unless the rules of the National party otherwise provide in which case vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided by the rules of the National party

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of State Senatorial district the members of the city or county committee of the respective parties Provided That when said vacancy occurs in a county composed of more than one Senatorial district the members of the ctiy or county committee embraced within the Senatorial district in said county shall elect said committeeman and when a vacancy occurs in a Senatorial district composed of more than one county or part of a county the members of the county committee embraced within said county or part of a county shall elect said committeeman" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 That hereafter all candidates of political parties as herein defined for the office of United States Senator for the office of Representative in Congress for all elective State county city ward borough township school district and election division or district offices and for all other elective public offices except that of presidential elector shall be nominated and delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and State committeemen shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act and in no other manner. All such party officers as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by the vote of the party electors shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act excepting members of the National committee who shall be elected as hereinafter provided In the years when candidates for the office of President of the United States are to be nominated every qualified elector of a political party herein defined to be a political party within the State shall have opportunity at the primaries held in such years subject to the provisions of this act to vote his preference for one person to be the candidate of his political party for President This act shall not apply to the nomination of candidates to be voted for at special elections to fill vacancies except when special election is held at the time of a regular election and such vacancy occurred or existed at least sixty days prior to the regular primary antecedent to such regular election and nothing herein contained shall prevent any body of electors not constituting a political party from nominating candidates by nomination papers as is now or may hereafter be provided by law

The State committee of each political party may make such rules for the government of such State committee not inconsistent with law as it may deem expedient and may also revoke or alter or amend in any manner not inconsistent with law any present or future rules of such State committee

National committeemen shall be elected by the State committee of each respective party unless the rules of the National party otherwise provided in which case they shall be elected in the manner provided by the rules of the National Party and all State committeemen shall be elected by Senatorial districts Each Senatorial district shall be entitled to elect two members of the State committee except where a Senatorial district is composed of more than one county or part of a county in which event the electors residing in each county or part of a county embraced in the said senatorial district shall be entitled to elect one State committeeman The State committeemen thus elected shall meet for organization not later than the fifth Wednesday following their election at such hour and place as shall be designated by the State chairman of each respective party The said State committeemen of all parties shall be elected at the spring primary

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of National committeeman shall be filled by the State committee of the respective party unless the rules of the National party otherwise provide in which case vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided by the rules of the national party

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of State committeeman shall be filled by the city or county committee of the respective parties Provided That when said vacancy occurs in a county composed of more than one Senatorial district the members of the city or county committee embraced within the Senatorial district in said county shall elect said committeeman and when a vacancy occurs in a Senatorial district composed of more than one county or part of a county the members of the county committee embraced within said county or part of a county shall elect said committeeman

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 9, by inserting after the word "providing" the word "for"; also page 4, line 7, by striking out the word "provided" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "provide"; also page 6, line 21, by inserting before the word "special" the word "such"; also page 7, line 9, by striking out the word "provided" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "provide"; also page 12, line 22, by striking out after the word "at" the article "a" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "any"; also page 13, line 13, by inserting before the word "number" the word "and".

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 That section six of the said act which reads as follows

"Section 6 The names of candidates for nomination as President of the United States and the names of all other party candidates shall be printed upon the official ballot of a designated party upon the filing of nomination petitions in their behalf signed by qualified electors of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be within which the nomination is to be made or election is to be held and the filing of affidavits by the candidates as provided in this act and the names of no candidates shall be printed upon an official ballot of a political party to be used at any primary unless such petitions shall have been filed and unless such candidates except they be candidates for the offices of President of the United States shall have filed affidavits as hereinafter provided

(a) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such petition for each office to be filed and shall declare therein that he is a member of the party designated in such petition Provided however That where there are to be elected two or more persons to the same office each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for such office as and no more than he could vote for at the succeeding election He shall also declare therein that he is a qualified elector of the county therein named and in case the nomination is not to be made or candidates are not to be elected by the electors of the State at large of the political district or division therein named in which the nomination is to be made or the election is to be held He shall add his occupation and residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any and shall also add the date of signing No nomination petition shall be circulated prior to sixty (60) days before the last day on which such petition may be filed and no signature shall be counted unless it bears date within sixty (60) days of the last day for filing the same

Said nomination petition may be on one or more sheets and different sheets must be used for signers resident in different counties Each sheet shall have appended thereto the affidavit of some person—not necessarily a signer and not necessarily the same person on each sheet—setting forth that the affiant is a qualified elector of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be referred to in said petition his residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any that the signers signed with full knowledge of the contents the petition that their respective residences are correctly stated therein that they all reside in he county named in the affidavit and that each signed on the date set opposite his name and that to the best of affiant's knowledge and belief the signers are qualified electors and members of the designated party of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be

(b)Each candidate for any State county or city office shall file with his nomination petition his affidavit stating his residence with street and number if any and his post-office address his election district the name of the office for which he consents to be a candidate that he is eligible for such office and that he will not knowingly violate any election law or any law regulating and limiting nomination and election expenses and prohibiting corrupt practices in connection therewith Provided That in no event shall any persons's name be printed upon the official ballot of any party as a delegate State commiteeman National committeeman or party officer unless he is a qualified elector of said party

In the case of a candidate for nomination as President of the United States it shall not be necessary for such candidate to file the affidavit required in this section to be filed by candidates but the post-office address of such candidate shall be stated in such nomination petition

(c) Each candidate for election as delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention may include with his affidavit the statement hereinafter set forth in this section but his failure to include such statement shall not be a valid ground on the part of the Secretary of the Commonwealth for refusal to receive and file his nomination petition Such statement if any be made shall be in substantially the following form

DELEGATE'S STATEMENT

I hereby declare to the voters of my political party in the (here insert "State of Pennsylvania" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") that if elected and in attendance as a delegate to the National convention of the party I shall with all fidelity to the best of my judgment and ability in all matters coming before the convention support that candidate for President of the United States who shall have received the highest number of votes cast in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") by the voters of my party for said office at the ensuing primary and shall use all honorable means within my power to aid in securing the nomination for such candidate for President

.....

(Signature of candidate for delegate or alternate delegate)

On the ballot used at a primary after or under the name of each candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention shall appear the words "Promises to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President" or "Does not promise to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President" according as if the candidate included or failed to include the above statement with his affidavit" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 6 The names of candidates for nomination as President of the United States and the names of all other party candidates shall be printed upon the official ballot of a designated party upon the filing of nomination petitions in their behalf signed by qualified electors of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be within which the nomination is to be made or election is to be held and the filing of affidavits by the candidates as provided in this act and the names of no candidates shall be printed upon an official ballot of a political party to be used at a primary unless such petitions shall have been filed and unless such candidates except they be candidates for the office of President of the United States shall have filed affidavits as hereinafter provided

(a) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such petition for each office to be filed and shall declare therein that he is a member of the party designated in such petition Provided however that where there are to be elected two or more persons to the same office each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for such office as and no more than he could vote for at the succeeding election He shall also declare therein that he is a qualified elector of the county therein named and in case the nomination is not to be made or candidates are not to be elected by the electors of the State at large of the political district or division therein named in which the nomination is to be made or the election is to be held He shall add his occupation and residence giving city borough or township with street number if any and shall also add the date of signing No nomination petition shall be circulated prior to forty (40) days before the last day on which such petition may be filed and no signature shall be counted unless it bears date wtihin forty (40) days of the last day for filing the same

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(b) Each candidate for any State county or city office shall file with his nomination petition his affidavit stating his residence with street and number if any and his post-office address his election district the name of the office for which he consents to be a candidate that he is eligible for such office and that he will not knowingly violate any election law or any law regulating and limiting nomination and election expenses and prohibiting corrupt practices in connection therewith Provided That in no event shall any persons name be printed upon the official ballot of any party as a delegate State committeeman National com-

mitteeman or party officer unless he is a qualified elector of said party

In the case of a candidate for nomination as President of the United States it shall not be necessary for such candidate to file the affidavit required in this section to be filed by candidates but the post-office address of such candidate shall be stated in such nomination petition

(c) Each candidate for election as delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention may include with his affidavit the statement hereinafter set forth in this section but his failure to include such statement shall not be a valid ground on the part of the Secretary of the Commonwealth for refusal to receive and file his nomination petition Such statement if any be made shall be in substantially the following form

DELEGATE'S STATEMENT

I hereby declare to the voters of my political party in the (here insert "State of Pennsylvania" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") that if elected and in atendance as a delegate to the National convention of the party I shall with all fidelity to the best of my judgment and ability in all matters coming before the convention support that candidate for President of the United States who shall have received the highest number of votes cast in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") by the voters of my party for said office at the ensuing primary and shall use all honorable means within my power to aid in securing the nomination for such candidate for President

.....

(Signature of candidate for delegate or alternate delegate)

On the ballot used at a primary after or under the name of each candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention shall appear the words 'Promises to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President or "Does not promise to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President" according as if the candidate included or failed to include the above statement with his affidavit

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 8, line 27, by striking out the word "offices" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "office"; also page 10, line 20, by striking out "persons's" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "person's".

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 That section seven of the said act which reads as follows

"Section 7 The nomination petitions in the case candidates for the office of President of the United States Senator of the United States members of the House of Representatives of the United States for all State offices for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention and for the office of member of the State or National committee shall be filed at least four weeks prior to the primary wtih the Secretary of the Commonwealth Nomination petitions in all other cases shall be filed at least three weeks prior to the primary with the county commissioners of the respective counties

Nomination petitions of candidates shall be signed—

(a) If for office of President of the United States or of Senator of the United States by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least ten counties of the State

(b) If for a State office to be filled by a vote of the electors of the State at large for the office of Representative from the State at large in the Congress of the United States for the office of delegate or alternate delegate at large to a National party convention or for the office of member of the National committee by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least five counties of the State

(c) If for the office of a member of the House of Representatives of the United States to be filled by a vote of the electors of a Congressional district or of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention other than delegate or alternate delegate at large or of judge of any court other than a court whose judges are to be elected by a vote of the electors of the State at large or of State Senator by at least two hundred qualified electors

(d) If for the office of a member of the State House of Representatives or for the office of member of the State committee or an office to be voted for by the electors of the entire county by at least one hundred qualified electors

(e) If for the office of inspector of election at least five qualified electors

(f) And for all other offices and all other party offices by at least ten qualified electors" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 The nomination petitions in the case of candidates for the office of President of the United States Senator of the United States member of the House of Representatives of the United States for all State offices for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention and for the office of member of the State or National committee shall be filed at least forty days prior to the primary with the Secretary of the Commonwealth Nomination petitions in all other cases shall be filed at least four weeks prior to the primary with the county commissioners of the respective counties

Nomination petiions of candidates shall be signed—

(a) If for the office of President of the United States or of Senator of the United States by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least ten counties of the State

(b) If for a State office to be filled by a vote of the electors of the State at large for the office of Representative from the State at large in the Congress of the United States for the office of delegate or alternate delegate at large to a National party convention or for the office of member of the National committee by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least five counties of the State

(c) If for the office of a member of the House of Representatives of the United States to be filled by a vote of the electors of a Congressional district or of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention other than delegate or alternate delegate at large or of judge of any court other than a court whose judges are to be elected by a vote of the electors of the State at large or of State Senator by at least two hundred qualified electors

(d) If for the office of a member of the State House of Representatives or for the office of member of the State Committee or an office to be voted for by the electors of the entire county by at least one hundred qualified electors

(e) If for the office of inspector of election at least five qualified electors

(f) And for all other offices and all other party offices by at least ten qualified electors ,,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 16, line 8, by inserting after the word "case" the word "of"; also in line 21, by inserting before the word "office" the word "the".

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to: ''

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States, and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 258, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens Pennsylvania for moneys erroneously paid into the State Treasury

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of seven hundred twenty-one dollars and thirty cents ($721.30) is hereby specifically appropriated to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens Penn-

sylvania for the purpose of reimbursing said company for an overpayment of capital stock tax by said company for the years one thousand nine hundred and eleven and one thousand nine hundred and twelve and which amount was shown to be due said company by the Commonwealth by a re-settlement of the accounts of said company by the Board of Public Accounts

Section 2 The amount hereinbefore appropriated shall be paid to the said Athens Furniture Company by the State Treasurer upon warrant of the Anditor General duly approved by the Board of Public Accounts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 304 (House Bill No. 267), entitled

An Act

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That

To amend sections one two three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for affecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

Section 1 That section 1 of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial-ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding fifty ($50.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners of each county in this State are hereby authorized and directed to expend the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00) toward the funeral expenses of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence beyond their county at the time of his death

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 6, line 23, by striking out "6shall" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall"; also in line 27, by striking out "occimmissioners" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "commissioners"; also page 7, line 15, by striking out after the word "at" the word "the" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "an"; also by striking out after the word "expense" the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "to"; also line 20, by striking out the words "hereafter shall" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "shall hereafter"; also page 8, line 13, by striking out the word "expended" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "expend"; also page 9, line 1, by striking out the word "beyond" and inserting in lieu thereof" the word "within"; also page 6, by striking out from lines 3 to 16 inclusive the following:

To amend sections one two three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 That section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 It shall be the duty of the persons so appointed in each city township borough and ward on each county before assuming the charge and expenses of the burial of the body of any deceased soldier sailor or marine under the provisions of this act first to satisfy themselves by a careful inquiry into and examination of all the circumstances in the case of such deceased soldier sailor or marine whose body they are called upon to bury that he served in the army or navy of the United States during a war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and died in their county or having died beyond their county shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death whereupon if they are satisfied that such facts exist they shall take charge of the body of such deceased soldier sailor or marine and cause it to be buried in the manner mentioned in the first section of this act and thereupon they shall immediately report their action in the case to the county commissioners of their county setting forth the facts ascertained by them together with the name rank and command to which such deceased soldier sailor or marine belonged at the time of his service the character of his occupation immediately preceding his death the date of his death and place of burial and also an accurately itemized statement of the expenses incurred in and about the said burial which report shall be duly attested by three reputable persons of full age who have knowledge of the facts" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners before making any payment for the funeral expenses for the burial of the body of any deceased soldier sailor or marine under the provisions of this act first to satisfy themselves by a careful inquiry into and examination of all the circumstances in the case of such deceased soldier sailor or marine that he served in the army or navy of the United States during a war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or was in active service in the militia of the State of

Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and died in their county or having died beyond their county shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 9, line 7, by striking out the word "expenses" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "expense".

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 That section three of said act which reads as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the sum of fifty ($50.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to draw a warrant upon the treasurer of their county in the sum of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars for each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable only to the person or persons who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 11, line 14, by inserting before the word "sum" the word "said".

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The fourth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 4 That section four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 4 All public officers agents and servants and all officers agents and servants of any county city township borough district or other municipality or of any almshouse prison morgue hospital home or other public institution having the control over the body of a deceased honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine whose body is entitled to be buried under the provisions of this act shall immediately upon the death of any such soldier sailor and marine notify the person or persons in the immediate or adjoining district who has or have been appointed by the county commissioners under the provisions of this act to take charge of the burial of such honorably discharged soldiers sailors or marines of the death of such soldier sailor or marine whereupon it shall be the duty of the said person or persons to take charge of the said body and bury it in accordance with the provisions of this act" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 All public officers agents and servants and all officers agents and servants of any county city township borough district or other municipality or of any almshouse prison morgue hospital home or other public institution having the control or custody of the body of any deceased honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine whose body is entitled to be buried under the provisions of this act shall immediately upon the death of any such soldier sailor or marine notify the county commissioners of said county wherein such death may have occurred

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 4, page 12, line 12, by striking out the word "upon" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "on"; also line 17, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and"; also line 18, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and".

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend the title by adding after the word "Act" the following:

To amend sections one two three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 305 (House Bill No. 268), as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and thirty-two) entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners may cause to be buried the body of the widow of any person who served in the army or navy of the United States in any war in which the United States was engaged which widow shall hereafter die in their county leaving sufficient means to defray her necessary burial expenses The expense to the county for any such burial shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners in each county are hereby authorized and directed to expend the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00) toward the funeral expenses of any widow of any person who served in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service upon due proof being made of such facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 388 (House Bill No. 375), as follows:

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one thousand two hundred and ten of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent herewith" which reads as follows

Section 1210 The minimum salary of every teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth holding a professional or a State certificate who has taught successfully for two years and presents a certificate to that effect from the proper superintendent shall be fifty dollars ($50.00) per school month The minimum salary of every other teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth shall be forty dollars ($40.00) per school month" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1210 The minimum salary of every teacher in the public schools of this Commonwealth shall be as follows Those teachers holding a provisional certificate fifty dollars ($50.00) per school month those teachers holding professional certificates or normal certificates fifty-five dollars ($55.00) per school month and those teachers holding permanent certificates or final normal school diplomas sixty-five dollars ($65.00) per school month

Section 2 That sections one thousand two hundred and eleven one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of said act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 632, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended by an act approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty-nine) and further amended by an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and ninety-one) which reads as follows

"Where a turnpike toll-road or toll-bridge company or other private corporation shall own or control the whole or any part of a road route or bridge forming all or any portion of a State highway as hereinafter described and defined it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement to purchase said turnpike toll-road or such part thereof or toll-bridge owned by such company or corporation and if a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor for said road or part thereof or toll-bridge cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to petition

the court of quarter sessions of the county in which the State highway or any part thereof owned or controlled by said turnpike company bridge company or other private corporation is located setting forth that such turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge is a State highway within the designation and description of this act and that no agreement as to price or damage can be reached and thereupon said court shall appoint a jury of view consisting of five reputable citizens of the county in which the road or part thereof or toll-bridge is located and the said jury having been sworn or affirmed to perform their duties faithfully justly and impartially shall after due notice to the company or corporation and the State Highway Commissioner view and condemn the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge as a State highway or part thereof and shall appraise and report the damages which the owner or owners shall be entitled to receive therefor And for the purpose of appraising the damages as aforesaid the said jury shall first hear evidence on the part of the said owner or owners and afterwards shall hear evidence on the part of the State Highway Commissioner after which evidence shall be heard in rebuttal and in sur-rebuttal as prescribed for trials at law Said report shall be presented for confirmation nisi at the term of said court next succeeding said appraisement and view unless by order of said court the same be continued to a later term and if no exceptions are filed thereto said report shall at the expiration of thirty days after confirmation nisi be confirmed absolutely and an appeal therefrom by the Commonwealth or the company or corporation shall lie to the court of common pleas of said county within thirty days after confirmation absolute and upon issue framed by the court of common pleas the damages shall then be ascertain as in similar cases subject to an appeal to the Superior or Supreme courts as the case may be The said court of quarter sessions may in its discretion appoint a competent stenographer to keep a faithful record of all proceedings before the viewers and to furnish a full copy of his notes to be attached to and form a part of the record And the said stenographer shall be allowed the same compensation as that paid in their respective county to court stenographers and each viewer shall be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each day necessarily employed which together with the compensation allowed the said stenographer shall be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding and be paid as hereinafter provided Immediately upon agreement reached or upon completion of any court proceedings and acceptance of the appraisement or verdict by the Commissioner the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses of proceedings in condemnation and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls Provided That if the amount of damages as finally awarded shall be deemed excessive by the State Highway Commissioner he may refuse to accept the appraisement or verdict and may then omit said turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge from the aforesaid route of State highway and all court costs and costs of jury proceedings shall thereupon be paid by the State Highway Department and by necessary divergence therefrom he may select and adopt the next best and most suitable and convenient route or road in order to connect up and complete a continuous State highway and thereafter such diverged route or road shall be taken and remain and be as much a part of the State highways of the Commonwealth as though otherwise particularly described in this act Provided further That at any time during the proceedings in condemnation after the filing of the original petition of the State Highway Commissioner the said Highway Commissioner with the consent and approval of the Governor may after ten days' written notice to the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge present to the said court of quarter sessions of the proper county a declaration of his intention to immediately enter upon and take the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and to pay or cause to be paid to the said owner or owners such amount of damages as shall be assessed in the manner provided for by this act and all costs and expense of the said proceedings which declaration shall contain a certificate of State Highway Commissioner that sufficient funds to pay all possible damages costs and expenses of said proceedings have been appropriated by the Legislature and are available for this specific purpose and upon presentation of said declaration the said court shall mark the same filed of record in said proceedings whereupon the funds in the hands of the State Highway Commissioner or in the State Treasury and specifically appropriated to the use of the State Highway Commissioner shall be pledged and deemed as security for all damages done or suffered or which shall accrue by reason of the taking of said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall immediately become a State Hiighway or part thereof free from tolls and the same may then be improved and maintained by the State Highway Commissioner in the manner provided by this act and upon completion of the proceedings in condemnation the State Highway Commissioner shall accept the appraisement and verdict and the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses and in case the said damages and costs and expenses are not paid within thirty days from the final adjudication and judgment thereon the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge may enforce the same by payment of the same by writ of mandamus which shall be issued by the court of common pleas of the county in which the seat of government is or may be located and shall be proceeded in as provided by law And provided further That where an existing turnpike or toll-roads or parts thereof or toll-bridges owned by turnpike or toll-bridge companies or private corporations shall be or form any part of any State highway hereinbefore designated described or defined the same are not hereby immediately taken over for improvement or repair but the purchase thereof shall be deferred by the State Highway Commissioner and the same shall remain and be operated and controlled by the owners thereof as heretofore until such time as the work of improvement of all other State highways and parts or portions thereof shall have been completed And provided further If in the judgment of the State Highway Commissioner local or special conditions of any of said turnpikes or toll-roads or any part or parts thereof or toll-bridges are such as tend to interfere with or inconvenience travel thereon and shall sooner require the purchase improvement and control thereof by the State then upon the approval of the Governor such turnpike or turnpikes toll-road or toll-roads or part or parts thereof or toll-bridge or toll-bridges so affected by such local or special conditions shall be taken over in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided however That the county or counties in which any such toll-bridge or bridges is located shall pay at least one-half of the expense of freeing such toll-bridge or bridges" be further amended to read as follows

Section 9 Where a turnpike toll-road or toll-bridge company or other private corporation shall own or control the whole or any part of a road route or bridge forming all or any portion of a State highway as hereinbefore described and defined it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement to purchase said turnpike toll-road or such part thereof or toll-bridge owned by such company or corporation and if a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor for said road or part thereof or toll-bridge cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to petition the court of quarter sessions of the county in which the State highway or any part thereof owned or controlled by said turnpike company bridge company or other private corporation is located setting forth that such turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge is a State highway within the designation and description of this act and that no agreement as to price or damage can be reached and thereupon said court shall appoint a jury of view consisting of five reputable citizens of the county in which the road or part thereof or toll-bridge is located and the paid jury having been sworn or affirmed to perform their duties faithfully justly and impartially shall after due notice to the company or corporation and the State Highway Commissioner view and condemn the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge as a State highway or part thereof and shall appraise and report the damages which the owner or owners shall be entitled to receive therefor And for the purpose of appraising the damages as aforesaid the said jury shall first hear evidence on the part of the said owner or owners and afterwards shall hear evidence on the part of the State Highway Commissioner after which evidence shall be heard in rebuttal and in sur-rebuttal as prescribed for trials at law Said report shall be presented for confirmation nissi at the term of said court next succeeding said appraisement and view unless by order of said court the same be continued to a later term and if no exceptions are filed thereto said report shall at the expiration of thirty days after confirmation nisi be confirmed absolutely and an appeal therefrom by the Commonwealth or the company or corporation shall lie to the court of common pleas of said county within thirty days after confirmation absolute and upon issued framed by the court of common pleas the damages shall then be ascertained as in similar cases subject to an appeal to the Superior or Supreme Courts as the case may be The said court of quarter sessions may in its discretion appoint a competent stenographer to keep a faithful record of all proceedings before the viewers and to furnish a full copy of his notes to be attached to and form a part of the record And the said stenographer shall be allowed the same compensation as that paid in their respective county to court stenographers and each viewer shall be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each day necessarily employed which together with the compensation allowed the said stenographer shall be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding and be paid as hereinafter provided Immediately upon agreement reached or upon completion of any court proceedings and acceptance of the appraisement or verdict by the Commissioner the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses of proceedings in condemnation and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls Provided That if the amount of damages as finally awarded shall be deemed excessive by the State Highway Commissioner he may refuse to accept the appraisement or verdict and may then omit said turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridgs from the aforesaid route of State highway and all court costs and costs of jury proceedings shall thereupon be paid by the State Highway Department and by necessary divergence therefrom he may select and adopt the next best and most suitable and convenient route or road in order to connect-up and complete a continuons State highway and thereafter such diverged route or road shall be taken and remain and be as much a part of the State highways of the Commonwealth as though otherwise particularly described in this act Provided further That at any time during the proceedings in condemnation after the filing of the original petition of the State Highway Com-

missioner with the consent and approval of the Governor may after ten days' written notice to the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge present to the said court of quarter sessions of the proper county a declaration of his intention to immediately enter upon and take the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and to pay or cause to be paid to the said owner or owners such amount of damages as shall be assessed in the manner provided for by this act and all costs and expenses of the said proceedings which declaration shall contain a certificate of State Highway Commissioner that sufficient funds to pay all possible damages costs and expenses of said proceedings have been appropriated by the Legislature and are available for this specific purpose and upon presentation of said declaration the said court shall mark the same filed of record in said proceedings, whereupon the funds in the hands of the State Highway Commissioner or in the State Treasury and specifically appropriated to the use of the State Highway Commissioner shall be pledged and deemed as security for all damages done or suffered or which shall accrue by reason of the taking of said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall immediately become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls and the same may then be improved and maintained by the State Highway Commissioner in the manner provided by this act and upon completion of the proceedings in condemnation the State Highway Commissioner shall accept the appraisement and verdict and the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses and in case the said damages and costs and expenses are not paid within thirty days from the final adjudication and judgment thereon the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge may enforce the same by payment of the same by writ of mandamus which shall be issued by the court of common pleas of the county in which the seat of government is or may be located and shall be proceeded in as provided by law And provided further That where an existing turnpike or toll-roads or parts thereof or toll-bridges owned by turnpike or toll-bridge companies or private corporations shall be or form any part of any State highway hereinbefore designated described or defined the same are not hereby immediately taken over for improvement or repair but the purchase thereof shall be deferred by the State Highway Commissioner and the same shall remain and be operated and controlled by the owners thereof as heretofore until such time as the work of improvement of all other State highways and parts or portions thereof shall have been completed And provided further If in the judgment of the State Highway Commissioner local or special conditions of any of said turnpikes or toll-roads or any part or parts thereof or toll-bridges are such as tend to interfere with or inconvenience travel thereon and shall sooner require the purchase improvement and control thereof by the State then upon the approval of the Governor such turnpike or turnpikes toll-road or toll-roads or part or parts thereof or toll-bridge or toll-bridges so affected by such local or special conditions shall be taken over in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided however That the county or counties in which any such toll-bridge or bridges is located shall pay at least one-half of the expense of freeing such toll-bridge or bridges And provided further That in taking over toll-roads counties townships boroughs or incorporated towns in which toll-roads to be taken over by the State Highway Commissioner are located are hereby authorized to contribute such part of the purchase price of said road or such part of the amount to be paid as ascertained and awarded by condemnation proceedings as may be agreed upon between said county township borough or town officials and the State Highway Commissioner And provided further That nothing in this act shall in any way prohibit any county from paying in full the amount determined to be paid for any turnpike road forming a portion of a State highway route condemned by proceedings under any other act of Assembly now in force

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 5, line 17, by striking out "hereinafter" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "hereinbefore"; also page 6, line 12, by inserting before the word "part" the words "highway or"; also page 10, line 11, by striking out "tornpike" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "turnpike"; also page 11, line 16, by inserting after the word "toll-road" the words "or highway"; also page 13, line 3, by striking out "bridgs" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "bridge"; also page 13, line 15, by inserting before the word "with" the following: "The said State Highway Commissioner"; also page 4, line 4, by striking out "maintin" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "maintain".

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties of townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties or authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township boroughs or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, page 1, line 13, by striking out "conecting" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "connecting;" also page 2, line 5, by striking out after the word "counties" the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of;" also line 20, by striking out the word "townships" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "township;" also in line 27, by striking out "borougs" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "boroughs."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 650, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to A K Cassel for services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture

Whereas Pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred fifty-two) entitled "An Act to enlarge the powers of the State Board of Agriculture to authorize the said Board to enforce the provisions of the act entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health and to prevent adulteration of dairy products and fraud in the sale thereof' approved May twenty-one Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five and of other acts in relation to dairy products to authorize the appointment of an agent of the said board who shall be known as the 'Dairy and Food Commissioner' and to define his duties and fix his compensation being supplementary to an act entitled 'An Act to

establish a State Board of Agriculture' approved May eighth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six" That one A K Cassel was appointed Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture on the first day of September one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three at a salary of one hundred and twenty-five dollars ($125.00) per month and traveling expenses and immediately entered upon the discharge of his duties and

Whereas By the fifty-second quarterly report of the Pennsylvania Board of Agriculture Institute Essays one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four pages nine to sixteen it appears that the money for the payment of certain expenses had been advanced by the said A K Cassel and other parties with the expectation that the next legislature would appropriate money to reimburse these necessary expenditures and

Whereas A part of such moneys advanced was raised by the issuance of "Loan Fund Certificates" issued by the Dairymens National Protective Association and

Whereas Numbers thirty fifty-six and fifty-seven of said certificates were issued in part payment for services rendered by the said A K Cassel to the Commonwealth and certificates numbers twenty-three twenty-four twenty-seven twenty-eight and twenty-nine were issued to one Luther S Kaufman in part payment for services rendered to the Commonwealth and these certificates were purchased by and duly assigned to said A K Cassel and

Whereas The amount of the moneys so advanced and expended by the said A K Cassel was four hundred dollars ($400.00) for which amount of moneys the said A K Cassel has never been reimbursed by the Commonwealth therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of nine hundred and fifty-two dollars ($952.00) being the principal of four hundred dollars ($400.00) with interest to the amount of five hundred and fifty-two dollars ($552.00) is hereby specifically appropriated for the payments of the moneys advanced by the said A K Cassel as full and complete compensation for his services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture The above sum shall be paid to the said A K Cassel on a warrant of the Auditor General in the usual manner

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 280, entitled

An Act requiring county commissioners to construct certain bridges on State highways crossing a rivulet creek or river and also a railroad track or tracks and imposing the cost of the construction and maintenance thereof on the county, State and railroad company or companies in such proportions as may be determined by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane to make good the deficit in operation of said hospital to January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consid-

Senate Bill No. 382, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to John W. Eckenrode, of Penn Township, Cumberland County for loss sustained by an injury to his minor son James Robert Eckenrode, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 383, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice, of Penn Townshiu, Cumberland County, for losses sustained by the death of their minor son Benjamin Rice, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 592, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 624, entitled

An Act dividing the Middle Coal-Field Poor District into four districts and providing for the nomination and election of a director and auditor from each district and one director at large to be elected by the voters of all the districts; fixing the time when such nominations and elections shall be held and when those elected shall take office; providing for appointments and filling of vacancies; placing the affairs of the District under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County; making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said District after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County and repealing certain acts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 629, entitled

An Act classifying and extending the terms of office of councilmen in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 684, entitled

An Act relating to divorce and defining the conditions under which remarriage may be lawful by husband or wife after both separation and decree a mensa et thoro for a certain time and providing the procedure in and effect of the same.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 699, entitled

An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and of the counties therein having a population of two hundred and fifty-thousand inhabitants or more, and of such other counties and of such cities of the third class therein as may accept its provisions by a vote of the people of such counties or cities respectively, making any violation of its provisions a misdemeanor and providing penalties for any violations thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILL NO. 34 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 34, entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 1, line 11, by inserting after the word "any" the words "individual or with any"; also in line 13 by striking out the words "current or".

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

SENATE BILL NO. 8 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 1, lines 6 and 7, by striking out the words "five thousand" and figures "$5000" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-five hundred" and figures "$3500".

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 57.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annully for music in public parks and in other public places.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 96.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 96, entitled

An Act to amend section nine of article seven of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 126.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 126, entitled

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 188.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 188, entitled

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 189.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 189, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred sixteen its amendments or supplements.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 618.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 618, entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION FOR PRINTING REPORT OF AUDITOR GENERAL IN JOURNALS OF SENATE AND HOUSE.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 26, 1917.

Resolved (if the House concur), That the reply of the Auditor General of Pennsylvania to the joint resolution of March 20, 1917, requiring of him certain information relative to the accounts of the Commonwealth and the administration of his Department, which said reply is as follows:

The Officers and Members of the General Assembly:

In response to the concurrent resolution of March 20th, 1917.

There are no items in the accounts of the Auditor General's Department which fail to balance.

The receipts from sums appropriated to the Department, exactly balance the expenditures therefrom and the cash in hand.

Assuming, however, that by the "Accounts of the Auditor General" is meant the "Accounts of the Commonwealth" which the Auditor General is required to keep, I answer that the accounts of the Commonwealth from the first Tuesday of May, 1913, to date, show no items which fail to balance; providing the various departments, officers, etc., have in their hands the cash balance with which they are charged on our books. And each and all of them are bonded to more than the balance charged.

The State Treasurer is the officer charged with the handling of the cash of the Commonwealth.

The receipts and the disbursements of the Commonwealth, and the State Treasurer's affidavit of the cash on deposit in the various State depositories also balance exactly.

At the beginning of the business on Tuesday, May 6th, 1913, the State Treasurer was charged on the books of the Commonwealth with having in his hands cash in the total sum of	$8,930,424 45	
At the close of business on February 28, 1917, the books of the Commonwealth as kept by this Department charged the State Treasurer with having received from May 6, 1913, to February 28, 1917, ...	$134,200,817 51	
The books of the Commonwealth on the said February 28, 1917, credited the State Treasurer with having paid out over his signature, between said date, ...		$135,909,016 55
He was therefore chargeable upon the books of the Commonwealth as kept by the Auditor General's Department, with the difference, or balance, ...		7,222,225 41
	$143,131,241 96	$143,131,241 96
And as his sworn statement of moneys on deposit in the various State depositories as of date of February 28, 1917, showed the same figure, he was charged with that amount as a cash balance for the beginning of the month of March	$7,222,225 41	

The Auditor General's office has never, since the first Tuesday of May, 1913, been permitted to close, nor the bookkeepers to leave the cage unless a balance was struck. The rule is, "balance or stay," and when a balance is struck in the Auditor General's office, it is the duty of the State Treasurer and all other Departments, Bureaus and Commissions of the State Government, to balance therewith.

Because certain unknowing and, at present, irresponsible people have not realized this was the condition of the accounts of the Commonwealth, the General Assembly, both by its General and Appropriation Laws, provided that the Auditor General might choose, and the Auditor General has chosen, and still chooses to prove that fact by the audit and certificate of disinterested, responsible and reputable firms of Certified Public Accountants.

The appropriation of $25,000.00 made in the General Appropriation Act of 1915 for the payment of extra clerks, etc., showed a balance unexpended on February 28, 1917, of $4,073.14 and the expenditures had been vouched in detail, approved by the State Treasurer and paid by him.

The Deficiency Appropriation, $25,000.00, carried in the General Deficiency Bill of 1917, was not approved until March 8th, 1917, and no expenditures have been made therefrom for the compensation of expert accountants to this date.

As to the other matters, I have the honor to assure the General Assembly that the books of the Department are open and the vouchers are on file subject to examination by any responsible citizen of the Commonwealth and especially by any member of the General Assembly, in accordance with my tender laid upon the desk of each member at the opening of this session. They will remain open until the first day of May, 1917, at 12 o'clock, noon, at which time I shall turn them over to my successor duly elected by the people of the Commonwealth, accompanied by the certificates of two responsible audit companies as to their condition.

If in any further way I may be able to serve the General Assembly, or any member thereof, as a representative of the people of his district, I shall be glad to do so. And I specifically reserve the right to present the certificate of the said Certified Public Accountants to the General Assembly and further answer the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. POWELL,
Auditor General.

be spread upon the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 27, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

George H. House, Braddock.

CHESTER COUNTY.

Henry F. Miller, West Chester.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Edward A. Bosak, Scranton.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Otto Pischke, Jr., Philadelphia.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

V. Chirico, Greensburg.
H. C. Waddell, New Salem.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 700, entitled

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a Committee of the Department of Labor and Industry; and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Corporations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 469, entitled

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of automobiles, motor trucks or other motor vehicles, or of any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof, to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor.

Also from the Committee on Corporations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 471, entitled

An Act to authorize the payment by corporations to their directors of compensation for services rendered by them.

Also from the Committee on Corporations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 671, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

RECESS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed the Senate will be in order.

EMPLOYMENT OF CLERKS AND STENOGRAPHERS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Senate be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such additional clerical, stenographic, and other labor as is necessary to expedite the business of the session, and that all persons who were appointed by him, prior to the passage of the Deficiency Appropriation Bill, shall be paid for out of said appropriation.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 354 (Senate Bill No. 701), entitled

An Act authorizing the Legislative Reference Bureau to continue the work commenced under the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act directing the Legislative Reference Bureau to prepare compilations or codes by topics of the existing general laws of this Commonwealth for adoption or rejection by the General Assembly; fixing the compensation of the assistant director and making an appropriation therefor," fixing the powers and duties of the bureau therein and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 612 (Senate Bill No. 702), entitled

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Military Affairs.

House Bill No. 633 (Senate Bill No. 703), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds; providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation."

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

House Bill No. 773 (Senate Bill No. 704), entitled

An Act authorizing directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care, treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 877 (Senate Bill No. 705), entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judicial Apportionment.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation the following nominations made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth:

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, H. M. Spacht, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Township of Monroe, County of Juniata, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice failure of person elected to qualify.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 7, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph Freeman, as a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Duryea, County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Michael Horn, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

ALDERMAN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 21, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John A. Brown, to be an Alderman in and for the First Ward of the City of Wilkes-Barre, County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Harry A. Carkuff, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to lie on the table one day, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. HOMSHER,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection The Chair hears none.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judicial Apportionment, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 705 (House Bill No. 877), entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 333, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the police department in cities of the third class, providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointments, and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 1.23 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, March 28, 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, March 27, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Graciously come to us this morning, O God, and bless us all!

Incline our hearts to follow Thee and keep all Thy commandments!

Help us to be comforters of those who are in sorrow. May we be enabled to help others with burdens that are too heavy. Teach us how to sympathize with those who are suffering! Help us to be winners in the battle of life. May we have sunshine in our hearts though the weathery elements be dreary.

Bless our respective homes and protect us while absent from our loved ones. God grant that the members of this House and the Speaker, with Thy humble servant, may please Thee and glorify Thy name. And may the grace of the Lord be with us evermore. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Bovee, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

FAVORING LOCAL OPTION.

Mr. STITES presented the petition of physicians of Philadelphia praying for the passage of the Local Option Bill.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

FAVORING LIBERAL APPROPRIATION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA MUSEUM AND SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL ART.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of the Alumni Association of the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art favoring a liberal appropriation to the said school.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. BECHTOLD. House Bill No. 1139.

An Act authorizing boroughs with the assent of the electors duly obtained at an election to use moneys borrowed for purposes which have proved impracticable or impossible, for any other lawful municipal purpose.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. ALBEE. House Bill No. 1140.

An Act to revise, amend and consolidate the law relating to fish, and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 1141.

An Act authorizing Almeda G. Pickering, of the Borough of Towanda, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. House Bill No. 1142.

An Act to regulate the sale, giving away, prescribing, dispensing and possession of opium and coca leaves, their compounds, manufactures, alkaloids, salts, derivatives and preparations, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. CANON (By request). House Bill No. 1143.

An Act regulating the admission of students into State Normal Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 1144.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of the several counties, or the town councils of the several boroughs, of this Commonwealth, or both, to appropriate annually a sufficient sum of money to each Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, in their respective counties or boroughs, to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day," as amended; by requiring the commissioners to make appropriations where there was heretofore an established Post.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 1145.

An Act authorizing James H. Mowrer and Ida Mowrer, his wife, of the Borough of Athens, Bradford County Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 1146.

An Act authorizing William R. Snellenberger and Emma L. Snellenberger, his wife, of the Township of Athens, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 1147.

An Act validating certain satisfactions of mortgages heretofore entered in good faith at the instance of the mortgagee.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. ROTHENBERGER. House Bill No. 1148.

An Act to amend section seventeen of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to restrain and regulate the sale of vinous and spirituous malt or brewed liquors, or any admixtures thereof," so as to allow persons licensed to sell liquor at retail, to sell or furnish to any person any spirituous, vinous, malt or brewed liquors on Sunday between the hours of twelve noon, and seven post meridian.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 1149.

An Act regulating salaries of clerks in office of recorder of deeds in any county having a population of one million four hundred thousand inhabitants and over.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. McVICAR. House Bill No. 1150.

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 1151.

An Act authorizing Frederick E. Windsor of the Borough of Warren, County of Warren, to sue the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WICKMAN. House Bill No. 1152.

An Act providing that persons, associations and corporations owning, occupying or controlling premises upon which any contractor or sub-contractor shall be permitted to do certain classes of construction work shall be liable for the wages of all employes engaged in such work and for the cost of all materials supplied for such work unless the contractor or sub-contractor shall file a bond for the immediate payment of wages and the cost of material when due; providing that a contractor shall be liable for the wages of employes of any sub-contractor and for the cost of materials furnished to any sub-contractor unless such sub-contractor shall file a bond covering the same; requiring every such contractor or sub-contractor to file a bond; specifying the form and amount of such bond; and permitting persons furnishing labor or materials to sue in such bond to recover wages and the cost of such materials.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. CHRISTMAN. House Bill No. 1153.

An Act to quiet the title of real estate; and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold rea lestate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1154.

An Act authorizing the judges of the separate orphans' court in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand, and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants to fix and determine the salaries of assistant clerks in said court.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1155.

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An Act relating to unused streets, lanes and alleys," by providing for relieving land from the servitude of streets, lanes and alleys placed thereon by the laying out and recording of a plan of lots thereon and selling lots thereout of, where certain streets, lanes and alleys shown on such plan have not, for a certain term of years after such laying out, been opened and used by the public or other lot owners in such plan whose lots do not abut on such streets, lanes or alleys.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. BENNETT. House Bill No. 1156.

An Act requiring drinking places, wherein intoxicating liquors are sold, to close between the hours of eleven o'clock post meridian and nine o'clock ante meridian; fixing a penalty and providing for the revocation of the license in case of violations.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. BRUMBAUGH (By request). House Bill No. 1157.

An Act authorizing the appointment by the several courts of common pleas of assistants to assessors; defining their powers and duties; and providing for the payment of their compensation by the county.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. BRUMBAUGH (By request). House Bill No. 1158.

An Act requiring all deeds and other instruments conveying or transferring property to contain an affidavit setting forth the actual cash value of property conveyed or transferred; and regulating the recording thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. HAIGHT. House Bill No. 1159.

An Act reappropriating and making available certain unexpended sums, appropriated by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the support and maintenance of the National Guard and Naval Militia for improvements at the Permanent Camp Ground at Mount Gretna, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 1160.

An Act giving magistrates in cities of the first class power to reconsider sentences and to modify and change the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. LUPPERT. House Bill No. 1161.

An Act to amend section six of an act approved the twenty-second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to roads; providing for the supervision, construction, maintenance, and repair of township roads; relating to road tax; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. McKAY. House Bill No. 1162.

An Act making an appropriation to the Nesbit West Side Hospital, Dorranceton, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HAIGHT. House Bill No. 1163.

An Act making an appropriation for the support and maintenance of the National Guard and Naval Militia of the Commonwealth; for the replacing and repairing of armories and military stores destroyed or damaged by casualty; and for the payment of expenses incidental to calling the National Guard and Naval Militia into service; and furnishing any quota of volunteers under a call of the President.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1164.

An Act to amend section two hundred and six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by providing for the election of school directors in independent districts.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. HOFFMAN. House Bill No. 1165.

An Act exempting agricultural corporations from the payment of a bonus and of State taxes upon their capital stock.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. WOOD. House Bill No. 1166.

An Act to provide a method, upon petition of owner, with notice to wife of bankrupt, for ascertaining, determining and charging dower inchoate on lands of bankrupt sold under order of United States Court, by report of viewers and decree of court of common pleas; in certain cases freeing and discharging part of such lands from such dower inchoate and charging same upon a portion of lands formerly owned by bankrupt; in case of death of wife during life of bankrupt or after his death, to discharge the lands from such dower inchoate or dower fixed by decree of court; providing for service or rules and notices, and for appeal from final decree of such court.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BALDI. House Bill No. 1167.

An Act making an appropriation to the Chevra Kedisha, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CONRAD G. MILLER. House Bill No. 1168.

An Act to amend section one hundred and twelve of an act, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 1169.

An Act providing for the return by the Commonwealth to cities of the first class of certain moneys received from registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and imposing certain duties upon the State Highway Department and State Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 1170.

An Act authorizing R. B. Taylor, of Bellefonte, Centre County, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GRAEFF. House Bill No. 1171.

An Act establishing in certain counties a board for the assessment and revision of taxes; prescribing their powers, duties and salaries; providing for appeals from assessments, and abolishing the office of city, borough, township and ward assessors.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. HELT. House Bill No. 1172.

An Act to prevent fraud and deceit in the sale of personal property; requiring the vendor or seller to replace such property or refund purchase price in certain cases, and providing penalty for violations.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BURNETT. House Bill No. 1173.

An Act regulating the appraisement and payment for animals destroyed in eradicating or preventing the spread of the foot and mouth disease, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 1174.

An Act making an appropriation to the City of Philadelphia for construction, reconstruction and improvement of certain roads.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 1175.

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Vincent's Orphans' Asylum, of Tacony, Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 1176.

An Act providing for the establishment in cities of the first class of a house or houses of detention for witnesses and untried prisoners, for the commitment of such prisoners and witnesses thereto, and for the payment of the cost of establishing and maintaining the same by the county wherein said cities are situated.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. ZANDERS. House Bill No. 1177.

An Act to amend section two hundred and six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by providing for the election of school directors in independent districts.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. ZANDERS. House Bill No. 1178.

An Act to amend section sixty-two of an act approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, entitled "An Act to consolidate, revise and amend the laws of this Commonwealth relating to penal proceedings and pleadings;" authorizing grand juries in certain cases to place the costs upon magistrates, aldermen and justices of the peace.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. ZANDERS. House Bill No. 1179.

An Act to further amend an act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred nine, entitled "An Act authorizing the employment of stenographers by the district attorneys of certain counties," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 1180.

An Act to prohibit dancing, singing, cabaret shows, vaudeville or theatrical entertainments, and moving picture exhibitions in places licensed for the sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 1181.

An Act making the fraudulent conversion of property or the proceeds of property a misdemeanor, prescribing the penalties therefor, and regulating the procedure therein.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SULLIVAN. House Bill No. 1182.

An Act relating to the prescribing, sale and dispensing of opium, cocaine, chloral, their salts, derivatives or preparations.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. House Bill No. 1183.

An Act to repeal an act approved the fourteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for taxing the owners and harborers of dogs in townships of the first class of the Commonwealth, and for the destroying of dogs."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. House Bill No. 1184.

An Act repealing an act, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions, and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines and penalties received," approved the seventeenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. House Bill No. 1185.

An Act repealing an act approved the fifth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the better protection of the

lives, bodies and health of new-born children and parturient women, throughout the Commonwealth, by regulating the practice of midwifery as performed by midwives in the State of Pennsylvania; and to provide that the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure, of the State of Pennsylvania, shall enforce the provisions of this act; making an appropriation therefor; and providing certain penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and repealing all acts and parts of acts incompatible herewith."

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. House Bill No. 1186.

An Act requiring the licensing and bonding of milk dealers; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of Agriculture; and providing penalties for violations.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. GLASS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 386, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate; and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bil No. 1087, entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all Houses of Detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia; providing that the Board of Managers of the said Houses of Detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Mr. PATTERSON, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1071, entitled

An Act granting to the Borough of Norristown a right of way over the lands of the State Hospital for the Insane of the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania, at Norristown and providing for the payment of damages.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1090, entitled

An Act supplementing and amending section ten (10) of an act, entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia, prescribing its jurisdiction and powers, providing for the service of its writs, process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof," approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by adding the words "and injuries to property" following the words "personal injuries," so that the exception in the said section shall read: "except that in actions for damages for personal injuries and injuries to property it shall have jurisdiction where the sum demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00)."

Mr. HOUGH, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 891, entitled

An Act authorizing the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities to transfer patients or inmates of hospitals for the insane to other such hospitals and providing for maintenance of patients after transfer.

Mr. GANS, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, re-reported as committed House Bill No. 135, entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the county treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

Mr. GANS, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as amended House Bill No. 498 (Senate Bill No. 52), entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream of their products or any other products, and prescribing penalties.

REPORT FROM AUDITOR GENERAL.

The Speaker laid before the House the report of the Auditor General in response to the concurrent resolution of March 20th, 1917.

(For Report see Appendix.)

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, March 26, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the reply of the Auditor General of Pennsylvania to the joint resolution of March 20, 1917, requiring of him certain information relative to the accounts of the Commonwealth and the administration of his Department, which said reply is as follows:

REPORT FROM AUDITOR GENERAL.

The Officers and Members of the General Assembly:

In response to the concurrent resolution of March 20th, 1917.

There are no items in the accounts of the Auditor General's Department which fail to balance.

The receipts from sums appropriated to the Department, exactly balance the expenditures therefrom and the cash in hand.

Assuming, however, that by the "Accounts of the Auditor General" is meant the "Accounts of the Commonwealth" which the Auditor General is required to keep, I answer that the accounts of the Commonwealth from the first Tuesday of May, 1913, to date, show no items which fail to balance; providing the various departments, officers, etc., have in their hands the cash balance with which they are charged on our books. And each and all of them are bonded to more than the balance charged.

The State Treasurer is the officer charged with the handling of the cash of the Commonwealth.

The receipts and the disbursements of the Commonwealth, and the State Treasurer's affidavit of the cash on deposit in the various State depositories also balance exactly.

At the beginning of the business on Tuesday, May 6th, 1913, the State Treasurer was charged on the books of the Commonwealth with having in his hands cash in the total sum of	$8,930,424 45	
At the close of business on February 28, 1917, the books of the Commonwealth as kept by this Department charged the State Treasurer with having received from May 6, 1913, to February 28, 1917, ...	$134,200,817 51	
The books of the Commonwealth on the said February 28, 1917, credited the State Treasurer with having paid out over his signature, between said dates		$135,909,016 55
He was therefore chargeable upon the books of the Commonwealth as kept by the Auditor General's Department, with the difference, or balance, ...		7,222,225 41
	$143,131,241 96	$143,131,241 96
And as his sworn statement of moneys on deposit in the various State depositories as of date of February 28, 1917, showed the same figure, he was charged with that amount as a cash balance for the beginning of the month of March	$7,222,225 41	

The Auditor General's office has never, since the first Tuesday of May, 1913, been permitted to close, nor the bookkeepers to leave the cage unless a balance was struck. The rule is, "balance or stay," and when a balance is struck in the Auditor General's office, it is the duty of the State Treasurer and all other Departments, Bureaus and Commissions of the State Government, to balance therewith.

Because certain unknowing and, at present, irresponsible people have not realized this was the condition of the accounts of the Commonwealth, the General Assembly, both by its General and Appropriation Laws, provided that the Auditor General might choose, and the Auditor General has chosen, and still chooses to prove that fact by the audit and certificate of disinterested, responsible and reputable firms of Certified Public Accountants.

The appropriation of $25,000.00 made in the General Appropriation Act of 1915 for the payment of extra clerks, etc., showed a balance unexpended on February 28, 1917, of $4,073.14 and the expenditures had been vouched in detail, approved by the State Treasurer and paid by him.

The Deficiency Appropriation, $25,000.00, carried in the General Deficiency Bill of 1917, was not approved until March 8th, 1917, and no expenditures have been made therefrom for the compensation of expert accountants to this date.

As to the other matters, I have the honor to assure the General Assembly that the books of the Department are open and the vouchers are on file subject to examination by any responsible citizen of the Commonwealth and especially by any member of the General Assembly, in accordance with

my tender laid upon the desk of each member at the opening of this session. They will remain open until the first day of May, 1917, at 12 o'clock, noon, at which time I shall turn them over to my successor duly elected by the people of the Commonwealth, accompanied by the certificates of two responsible audit companies as to their condition.

If in any further way I may be able to serve the General Assembly, or any member thereof, as a representative of the people of his district, I shall be glad to do so. And I specifically reserve the right to present the certificate of the said Certified Public Accountants to the General Assembly and further answer the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
A. W. POWELL,
Auditor General.

be spread upon the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 286

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H. Woodhead, of Philadelphia, an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauce, deceased.

House Bill No. 324

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department.

House Bill No. 366

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company, Edward L. Keane, Secretary, of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury.

House Bill No. 57

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs; making an appropriation for the work of revising, compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing, binding and mounting the same and for paper.

House Bill No. 120

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen; defining their powers and duties; providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails,, lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen.

House Bill No. 432

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act providing that in all couuties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices," approved the third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine, so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 618

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada.

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendment.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend the title by striking out the word "Canda" in line six and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Canada."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendment made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—174.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKay,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Smith, F. L.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Mehring,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Glass,	Mervine,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Golder,	Michel,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Spangler,
Black,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Graham,	Milner,	Stern,
Boyd,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Stites,
Brady,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Stofflet,
Brumbaugh,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Musser,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Horne,	Perry,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Hough,	Phillips,	Walker,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Powell,	Wallace,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Wells,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	West,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Whitaker,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Wood,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Wylie,
Drake,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Eby,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendment concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up from the calendar, Bills on Third Reading Postponed for the Present, House Bill No. 282, File Folio 267.

Agreeably to order.

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act, entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over; prescribing his duties and abolishing

the office of county auditor in said counties," approved the twenty-fourth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present, under Rule 68.

Mr. VICKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

MR. WHITAKER IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON SECOND READING (SPECIAL ORDER).

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 62, entitled

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting of licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever a number of the qualified electors of any county equalling twenty-five per centum of the number of votes cast therein at the last preceding general election shall present a petition to the court of quarter sessions of the peace of that county verified by the affidavits of three of the petitioners praying for the holding of an election to determine whether license for the sale or furnishing of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof in said county shall be granted it shall be the duty of said court of quarter sessions of the peace to order an election to be held in the said county in not less than thirty days nor more than sixty days from the date of such order which election shall be held by the regular election officers at the usual place or places for holding elections in said county and the election shall be conducted in all respects and all election officers shall be governed by the directions and subject to the penalties and be compensated as now provided by law for the holding of general elections Notice of such election shall be given by the officers designated and in the manner provided by existing laws relating to county elections insofar as the same may be applicable and every such notice shall state (first) the question to be voted upon as hereinafter set forth (second) the day and place of holding said elections (third) that the polls shall be open between the hours of seven o'clock ante meridian and seven o'clock post meridian

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows::

Amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out "county" and inserting in lieu thereof "city, borough, town or township."
Amend section 1, page 1, line 12, by striking out "county" and inserting in lieu thereof "city, borough, town or township."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 3, by striking out "county" and inserting in lieu thereof "city, borough, town or township."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 6, by striking out "county" and inserting in lieu thereof "city, borough, town or township."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, the purpose of introducing these amendments to the present bill is to make the context of the bill correspond to the label. It is for the purpose of reducing the unit from a county to a city, borough, town or township. I contend that local option means the option of the locality. When you make your units in your local option too large, you destroy local option principles. So far as local option is concerned, we might on the same principle as for a county local option bill, extend that principle of local option to the State and to the Nation, and still call it local option. But a local option measure should have the proper classifications unified into a single unit, and that is the purpose of these amendments, it is to make a local option measure a real local option measure, it is to give the cities, it is to give the borough, it is to give the township, and it is to give the town, if it believes in local opton, or the elmination of liquor within the boundaries of that particular classification, the right to say, "We can abolish it."

Now, in the event that this amendment is adopted, it does not mean that you cannot have county local option. The boroughs and townships and the cities of your respective counties can all join together as one unit or successively in the demand for local option at their individual and local polls. A county unit local option measure has not been tried in any of the great Northern States. In the State of New York and the State of New Jersey, where local option was considered within the last year, they did not consider a county measure, but they considered a local city or borough measure, and I understand that even a city and a borough measure was defeated in both New York and in New Jersey. My purpose in offering these amendments is merely to give the smaller units of each individual county the right to say whether or not, in the opinion of that individual community, local option is desirable, the abolition of lquor is desirable, within the smaller communities. The city and the township differ materially in their interest.

There is one consideration which I wish to bring to the attention of this House, and that is the fact that in the event we pass the county local option bill, we members who live in the city do not actually have local option, because we can be out-voted by the county. For example, I live in the City of York, a city of a little over 50,000 inhabitants, and assuming that the city would cast 8,000 votes at a local option election, and the county of York 15,000 votes at such an election—the population of the county is 90,000 inhabitants and the population of the city is 50,000 inhabitants—assuming that the vote of the city would be 5,000 for wets, and 3,000 for dry, that would give the county 6,000 for wets and 9,000 for dry. The result of the election would be that the county of York would go dry by 1,000 majortiy, carrying the city of York with it, although the city itself voted wet by 2,000 majority. In other words, we would have the city wet 5,000 and the county wet 6,000; the city dry 3,000, the county dry 9,000 or 11,000 wet as against 12,000 dry. That is merely a calculation and the calculation might be theory, but it all goes to show that you can have a county local option bill, that will be fair to the city, that will give the city districts the right to say for themselves through their majorities, whether or no they desire local option. And therefore, gentlemen of this House, I say that in the event you desire to pass a local option bill here this morning, let us pass one that is fair, one that is logical, one that will meet the individual requirements of the unit, and one that will be a credit to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, I trust that at the very beginning of this very big and heavy question, that both those representing license and those representing no-license, will stand together as a unit and defeat this amendment

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were not agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the section?

It was agreed to.

The second and third sections were separately read and agreed to as follows

Section 2 The ballots at any election held under the provisions of this act shall be printed distributed and furnished and in such quantities and of the form provided by existing laws relating to general elections Upon such ballots shall be printed the question "Shall the granting of license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be prohibited" followed by the words "Yes" and "No" with a square of sufficient size at the right of each said words in which to give the elector an opportunity clearly to designate his choice by a cross mark (X) placed in one of the said squares

Section 3 Each qualified elector receiving a ballot provided for by this act in accordance with existing laws may mark in the appropriate square a cross (X) opposite the answer he desires to give and all votes cast at said election

held under the provisions of this act shall be counted and declared and a complete return of the same made in accordance with existing laws relating to elections

The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 Whenever it shall appear by the returns aforesaid that a majority of the votes cast at such election are in favor of prohibiting the granting of such licenses in the county in which said election shall have been held it shall thereupon become unlawful for said court of quarter sessions of the peace or other authority to which may hereafter be transferred the power relating to said subject now vested in said court of quarter sessions to issue or grant any license authorizing the sale or furnishing of any vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof in said county at any time thereafter until at an election held as hereinafter provided a majority of the electors voting thereat shall vote against prohibiting the granting of such licenses therein

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 4, page 3, line 12, by striking out "County" and in serting in lieu thereof "City, borough, town or township."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that the first amendment was defeated, and it is the sense of this House that the amendments should be defeated, I withdraw the rest of the amendments to this bill.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the section?

It was agreed to.

The fifth and sixth sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 5 At any time after three years from the date of an election held under the foregoing provisions of this act another such election may be ordered and held as hereinbefore provided

Section 6 This act shall not be construed to repeal any special or local laws relating to the sale or granting of licenses to sell intoxicating liquors nor shall it be construed to prevent the granting or refusal of a license under the existing laws the same as if this act had not been passed in counties where the majority of the votes cast at an election held as hereinbefore provided are against prohibiting the granting of license to sell intoxicating liquors and in counties where no such election has been held

An Act to further regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof by permitting the electors of any county in this Commonwealth to determine by an election whether the granting of licenses for such sale therein shall be prohibited

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I trust the members of this House will not agree to this bill on second reading. It is not my purpose, gentlemen, to delay a vote upon this question for any longer period than has been delayed at the present time. I believe that every man who sits in his seat this morning is as perfectly able to vote upon this question now as he will be when we have finished the discussion of the points at issue. And for that reason I am not going to tire you with any lengthy discussion upon the question. I want to say again that I hope this House will defeat this bill on this reading. Why? In the first place I might say that the gentleman from York, Mr. Spangler, has made possibly a good explanation of the inability of this bill to carry out its provisions. In the very title of the act it is construed to be an act to "further regulate the sale of liquor in Pennsylvania." To my mind it does everything but regulate the sale of liquor in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania to-day—and I know this is a time-worn statement, but one that is absolutely true and tried—Pennsylvania to-day has, to my mind, a better local option act than the one on which you are called upon to pass to-day. I have only to recall to your mind recent acts of the courts in several sections of this Commonwealth to prove to you that the judges upon the bench recognize the present Brooks Law as a good, substantial regulation for the liquor question in Pennsylvania. Our friends who are opposed to license tell us that this bill places in the hands of the people and takes out of the hands of the judiciary the granting of licenses.

My friends, it does nothing of the sort. It does say that in the event of a special election being called in a county and the majority of votes are recorded against license, then it does take out of the hands of the court the granting of liquor licenses for the space of three years. But if, mark you, gentlemen, if the votes of that given county should decide that they want license, then the matter refers back to the judiciary. And it is their contention that they want to take it away from the courts. Therefore you see it does, if there is no license voted, but if it is a license vote, then they are satisfied with the present regulation known as the Brooks Law. Therefore, my friends, I feel that even the bill itself—not to mention at all the principle perhaps—the bill itself does not do as they claim it does, make a local option bill. And then further, the bill itself is not construed to mean that it in any way changes any special laws that now exist. Does that give to the people of the State of Pennsylvania the opportunity of voting upon this question in their districts? Then, too there have been several arguments advanced that we as members of this House, are not to consider this act from the standpoint of sectional ideas, that it is a Statewide proposition. It means that all the State is interested, but with you and me, members of this House, this particular act refers to our county, because a vote in Philadelphia county has nothing to do with a vote in Delaware county, except that they might dispense liquor under license in Philadelphia and they might not have the privilege of doing it in Delaware county. But it is a sectional proposition, and you and I are here this morning to vote upon this as we feel our several communities and several sections want us to vote upon it. Then they tell us that this proposition will take out of politics the liquor question. Why, my friends, those who advocate license have never entered the political questions, except when they have been forced by the other side. I want to say without contradiction that there is not a man in this House this morning who sits here as a representative, if he represents to-day the granting of licenses under the Brooks Act was not forced by the opposition at the last election to either declare in favor of no-license or he was branded by the opposition as being in favor of license. Therefore I say to you that the political question is injected into it every time by the so-called local option people. And they say they want to clean and purify the bench, and to-day in every county of Pennsylvania where there is a judge to be elected at the coming primaries, the anti-saloon and no license league have a special candidate for judge of their own. Are they putting the question into judiciary politics? Gentlemen, this bill has been here so long and so many times that Pennsylvania is satisfied as has been proven time and again with the present Brooks Law, the granting of licenses, that I am going to ask each of you —I am going to ask every man of you, to vote against the passage of this act at this time so that we might allow the present law allow those who we feel are capable of dispensing license and are capable of revoking licenses when there is a violation of law to still continue business at the old stand.

Mr. VICKERMAN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House. In discussing the merits of this bill, I am not going to spend any time portraying the evils of the liquor traffic nor in denouncing those engaged in this business. The day has long since passed when anyone rises to defend it. The bill before you at this time is presented because of an increasing demand for such a law by the people of this Commonwealth. Under the provisions of this bill our present law would be changed, taking the deciding power to grant licenses from the judge and giving it to the people. This bill provides that at a special election called by petition signed by not less than twenty-five per cent. of the voters of a county, said voters shall decide whether any license shall be granted in that county. If the majority vote for license, then the present law remains in force in that county, and the judge determines how many licenses shall be granted and where located. If the majority vote against license, then the Court shall have no power to grant a license in that county. It will not revolutionize court procedure; it will make no change save the transfer of authority from judge to people.

The county is placed as the unit because it is the largest civic division within the State. Taxes are levied and collected with the county as the unit.

Courts are maintained and have jurisdiction in this way.

Recent decisions of the Superior and Supreme Courts of Pennsylvania make it clear that the granting of licenses is clearly a question for the judge to decide according to his own personal opinion or prejudice.

The various municipalities of this State, under laws made by the Legislature, have the right to hold elections and vote themselves into debt by creating bond issues for various public improvements. When this Legislature enacts general laws of that kind it does not necessarily pass upon the wisdom or foolishness of these municipalities in incurring indebtedness. We take it for granted that the voters know what they want better than we do, and that under certain general restrictions and limitations they should be given the opportunity to say what they want. If they make mistakes in judgment, they must pay the penalty, but it is not for this Legislature to curb and prevent improvements which are conducive to the progress of our various municipalities, especially in matters that pertain to the health of the people and the education of the young.

If Phialdelphia comes here, as they always do every session (for it can be truly said of them that they carry out the scriptural injunction of asking largely), seeking legislation, that will enable the voters of that city to incur large indebtedness in order to build rapid transit lines; if the City of Pittsburgh comes asking for legislation which will enable them to build a subway or a trunnel, the members of this Legislature from other sections of the State are glad to give these citizens the privilege which they desire. On the other hand, when scores of representatives from rural counties come before this body session after session and ask that their counties shall have the privilege of determining the license question by popular vote of the people, this Legislature has repeatedly refused them that privilege. You gentlemen who represent the cities of this Commonwealth are very insistent that you should have local self-government, but when we propose to ask for the same general privilege in up-state counties, the city members line up almost unanimously and say "No." I insist that this is an unfair attitude for any member of this Legislature to take.

This question of county option has been before the people of the State for many years and the demand for this legislation, especially from the rural counties, is very insistent. I am frank to concede that such legislaiton will not in the least affect such cities as Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, but on the other hand, I cannot see how there is to be any justice and any recognition of mutual rights so long as these cities refuse the rural counties the right of suffrage on the license question.

This same condition existed for a number of years in the state of Nebraska. The members of the legislature from the cities of Omaha and Lincoln lined up with the liquor interests and steadfastly refused to give the county districts a county local option law. What happened? the voters of the state last November rose up in their indignation and elected a legislature that not only gave the county districts local option but also put the state dry, and let me say right here and now that the liquor interests of this state will see the folly of their present course in fighting to defeat the local option bill. Pennsylvania is one of the only two states in the Union in which local option in some form has not been granted the voters. The present increasing sentiment indicates that the people will soon demand more than local option.

We like to think of Pennsylvania as a progressive state, and we are in some matters, for we have changed and adjusted the laws on our statute books to suit the advanced sentiment of the times upon almost every other question than the regulation of the liquor traffic. For thirty years we have made no change in these laws, not since the Brooks License Law was passed in 1887.

One of the most noted jurists of this state in discussing this question not long since declared that the result of the Brooks law was to drag the judiciary down to the level of the bar-room and every right thinking man in the state deplores that result.

Under the present system, in many of our counties, when a judge is to be elected, the only question asked is "Is he wet or dry?" The candidate's fitness for the office or whether he is learned in the law, is not considered, as he is chosen solely on the question as to whether or not he will grant licenses, and I submit to you that this system is wrong and is not good for our courts, nor creditable to the responsible law-makers who have forced our courts into such a position.

A bill has been introduced in this Assembly to amend the law by taking the power to grant licenses out of the hands of the judges and transfer it to the county commissioners. We are thoroughly in accord with the idea that the determination of whether a county shall be wet or dry should no longer rest upon the shoulders of the judges, but that it should be transferred directly to the people themselves. If by their vote, they desire to continue the license system, then the judge when he grants license shall know to a certainty that he is obedient to the dictates of the people whom he serves. If, on the other hand, the people declare by ballot that they do not want the licensed saloon, then the responsibility is lifted from the shoulders of the judge. If grave evils result, as some of the gentlemen on the other side claim they will, the responsibility is not upon the judge but upon the people themselves, where it belongs.

At the present time we have eleven counties in this State which are dry. They have been put dry by the arbitrary action of their judges. In every one of these counties there is a considerable number of people who are dissatisfied with this condition. If those counties had been made dry by a majority vote of the people, they would bow in submission, recognizing the right of the majority to rule. But their contention is that the present policy in these eleven counties is the arbitrary opinion of one man or as is the case in some counties where there are associate judges, the opinion of two men or possibly three.

I have been told that in one county in this State there is a distiller who favors local option. He says he is an American citizen before he is a distiller and that the right to settle this question should be in the hands of the voters themselves, and not in the hands of the court; and that if a majority of voters should put him out of business he is willing to yield to the will of the majority.

At the hearing before the Law and Order Committee last Tuesday, the speakers opposed to this bill made the statement that the friends of this measure were not consistent. Now let us see how consistent the liquor dealers are. In the campaign up in the State of Maine, when the State Prohibition Law was up for adoption, it would have brought tears to your eyes to have heard the paid speakers, sent all over that State by the National Liquor Dealers' Association, pleading with the people that prohibition never was a success and that local option was the best and only method of regulating the drink evil and that it ought to be submitted to the voters of the various counties. Strange, is it not, that local option is a good thing in the State of Maine, but not good in Pennsylvania?

On the last day of February, the House of Representatives at Washington passed the Senate bill making the District of Columbia dry. This measure passed both the House and Senate by a practically two-thirds vote. Up until the time that bill finally passed the House, the agents of the liquor interests in Pennsylvania were continually on the job at Washington, arguing for a referendum to the voters. They insisted that it was grossly unfair for the Congress to close up the District of Columbia without first submitting the question to a vote of the people. They argued this in the face of the fact that the District of Columbia has no election machinery, and moreover that the great majority of its voters hold their franchise back in the States and that they would forfeit that franchise in the States if they should go into an election in the District. Immediately after the District of Columbia Bill was passed and out of the way, these agents and servants of the organized liquor interests of Pennsylvania transferred their headquarters to Harrisburg and they have been humming around here like a hive of bees ever since. And I call your attention to the fact that the same men who argued for local self-government in Washington City are here to defeat local self-government in the State of Pennsylvania. That fact itself shows the insincerity of the forces that are opposing local option.

There are some men allied with the liquor business who are far-sighted enough to see that the liquor dealers should

not oppose a measure of this kind, for in so doing they will bring upon them more stringent laws. Let me read you a statement from the liquor dealers' attorney in the State of Wisconsin, where a local option bill was before the Legislature for consideration during the present month and which was being opposed by the brewery interests of the State but supported by the wholesale liquor dealers and distillers who believed their cause bad been injured by opposition to local option. Mr. T. Mahon, attorney for the State Liquor Dealers' Association, in a signed statement, said:

"From developments in the last five years resulting in the establishment by legislation of a constitutional amendment of prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicants in many of our States, I am led to the conclusion that the liquor interests in those States were grossly mistaken as to methods.

"I believe the representatives of the liquor interests in some States injured their cause in the past by opposing the right of the people to vote upon the question, and thereby they lose the friendship of fair-minded men who stand for substantial justice to every one.

"We feel that the question has become of sufficient importance to demand the attention of the individual voter, and that he is entitled to the right to cast his vote according to the dictates of his own conscience guided by calm judgment as to right or wrong."

It would seem from this statement that the Liquor Dealers of Wisconsin have seen the handwriting on the wall and are prepared to accept local option—and why not?

Local option is a legal, deliberate and unified declaration of judgment as to what will and what will not conserve the general good of a community.

Local option is safe, because it secures that for which it asks only on principles of equity and full consideration of the rights of others.

Local option coerces no one, interferes with no one's private judgment nor with any religious or political preferences.

Local option is just, because it accords to its opponents all the privileges it claims for its advocates. It never violates either social or ethical conditions.

Local option is distinctively American in conception and practice because it acknowledges not only the propriety but the absolute necessity of majority rule.

Mr. Gladstone, that great English statesman, said: "Local option has been found to be practical and effective wherever adopted."

The late Associate Justice Harlan, of the United States Supreme Court, said: "Local option is the basic principle of our government."

Let us study some of the election returns of last November in the light of this question. Some very interesting results have taken place. In Indiana the voters of that State defeated two United States Senators and fourteen Congressmen who had voted wet in the previous session of Congress and then elected enough members of the Legislature to put the State dry on February 2nd of the present year, and in the State of Utah, where the liquor interests had gained such control of the Republican party organization under the leadership of United States Senator Smoot that they would not permit any temperance legislation to be passed. Year after year the people of the State appealed to the Legislature for some restrictive laws controlling the liquor business, but the party leaders refused and last November the people not only defeated Reed Smoot for United States Senator, electing a Democrat his successor, but also elected a Democrat to every seat in the Legislature, and all dry but one. And what happened? Why, on February 1st the Legislature passed a State-wide prohibitory law, which goes into effect August 1st, 1917.

Now let us look at a strong Democratic State in the South—Florida. The Democratic bosses, controlled by the liquor interests, succeeded in putting on the ticket a candidate for Governor who was very objectionable to the temperance people of the State. What happened? Why, the voters of that overwhelming Democratic State turned in a majority for the Republican nominee for Governor because he stood on a dry platform. These are days when the voters are doing their own thinking and party lines do not stand in the way when important moral issues are under consideration. The star speaker for the liquor interests two years ago at the local option hearing here in Harrisburg, Congressman Barchfield, of Pittsburgh, has been consigned to the political scrap heap, by the voters of his district electing a Democrat in an overwhelming Republican district. There are members of this House who, by their vote against this measure, will end their political careers. The man who gauges the sentiment upon this question by the past, makes a great mistake, for he should take into consideration the great tidal wave against the saloon that has swept from the West through the South and Middle States into Pennsylvania and which sentiment recently crystalized in Congress passing the bone-dry legislation, and the law making the District of Columbia dry.

Our United States Senator, Philander C. Knox, in a recent interview said: "Without attaching any political significance to the statement, I believe that National Prohibition will be a keen issue in 1920. Even a blind man can see that from the present trend of sentiment."

And our recently retired United States Senator, Honorable George T. Oliver, of Pittsburgh, has for years been a strong advocate of local option and recently voted "dry" on the bill to make the District of Columbia dry.

It is a well known fact that the present Chief Executive of this Commonwealth, Honorable Martin G. Brumbaugh, was elected on a personal platform committed to local option.

It would seem the part of wisdom, in view of the increasing demand for such a law, for this Legislature to pass this bill. The Republican party is in control of this body and will be held responsible for the passage or defeat of this measure. The people have been calling long and loud for such a law, but for years the party bosses have turned a deaf ear to their call and now I want to sound note of warning that the citizenship of this State will not long submit to evasive promises. I therefore appeal to you to pass this Local Option Bill at this session.

Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this so-called local option bill has been before this House for years, and each and every one of us who are members here have found it necessary to face this issue in our elections to this House. Session after session the majority of members unfavorable to the passage of this local option bill have been elected, and I maintain, Sir, that there must be a very good reason for that. In the first place, I would say, Sir, that I don't believe that all of the virtue in the world is vested in the advocates of local option, and many right-thinking men who believe in temperance, as I do, Sir, are opposed to local option as we have it now before us. We do not believe that this local option bill is a good temperance measure; we do not believe that it would be successful in a great industrial state like Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania, with her large industries, her large centres of population, seems to require a strong regulation of the liquor traffic, and we believe that we have that in the present Brooks law. It may not be the most perfect measure in the world, but we believe that it is the best thing that has been discovered up to the present time for the regulation of the liquor traffic.

Now Mr. Speaker, in the bill before us, we do not have a fair bill for the reason that it only permits a vote on this question in districts which are now wet. In the districts that are dry under special acts of the Legislature, —and we have many such in Pennsylvania,—the people in those districts, if you please, are not permitted to vote on this important question, which only goes to show the hypocrisy and insincerity which underlies this bill.

The constituency which I represent believes in temperance, but we do not believe that a county local option bill would promote temperance. We do believe that the Brooks Law is good, honest and fair regulation of the liquor traffic, and where it is enforced we believe that conditions are the best that they can be made. So long as the people desire to purchase liquor they should be permitted to do so in a legal manner.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, we are hesitating to-day on the threshold of a new era. Whether we shall cross over into the promised land with all its golden opportunities and manifold blessings or wander back again into the wilderness of sin and corruption is the question before us for decision.

> "There is a tide in the affairs of men,
> Which taken at its flood leads on to fortune,
> Omitted, and all the voyage of their lives
> Is bound in shallows and miseries."

Such a crisis we are facing. "We are living, we are dwelling in a grand and awful time." The eyes of the entire nation are upon us. Great are the responsibilities, momentous is the occasion. Are we ready and willing to listen to the voice of duty and stand for the things that are noblest and best? Will we quit ourselves like men?

When Alexander the Great was a small boy his father placed him under the care and supervision of the great philosopher and logician, Aristotle. For a number of years he sat at the feet of that celebrated master drinking in his words of wisdom and admonition. When relating his experiences in after years he was wont to say: "My father, Philip, gave me life, but Aristotle taught me how to make the most of life." How to to make the most of life is the most important question that can confront any youth as he sails out upon life's tempestuous sea. How to make the most of life is the most important question that can confront any individual as he is tossed to and fro by the foaming, pitiless waves upon life's stormy voyage. And the chief aim and goal of every nation ought to be to so govern and guide its people, to so environ and educate them that they not only may but actually will make the most of life —that they actually will make the most of life.

When we see the experts in pedagogy and criminology taking the wayward, backward boys and in a few months changing and transforming them into the brightest and best of pupils, the pride of the school; when we see the evangelists and slum workers picking the besotted wretches up out of the ditch and as if at the wave of a magic hand changing and transforming them into noble, Christian citizens, then we know, we know absolutely, that there is within each and every normal individual an innate power of becoming a true, noble, upright, Christian citizen, and every wreck along the sands of time is conclusive evidence that some one, somewhere, has failed and miserably failed in the performance of his duty, and usually, aye, perhaps in every case an investigation will reveal the fact that the state has been guilty of the grossest negligence in the performance of its duty toward that individual.

If then it be the duty of the state to so govern its people that it may shield them from the deadly snares and pitfalls of evil and make it easy to do right and hard to do wrong, if it be the duty of the state to so govern its people that they actually will make the most of life, then it becomes important to inquire—Does the liquor traffic contribute to the weal or woe of the state? Does it contribute to the happiness, the prosperity and purity of its people or to their suffering, adversity and degradation? And the decision of that question will make our duty plain, so plain that he who runs may read and understand.

More than a century ago the slavery traffic was enthroned as the goddess of controversy. Again and again for a number of years some of America's most gifted orators burst forth in impassioned floods of eloquence in defense of that traffic. A bloody, disastrous war was waged over it, but when the smoke of battle had cleared away and the bitter hatreds and prejudices had died out and we were permitted to look back upon those stormy scenes, calmly and impartially, we were amazed, we marveled that any one at any time should have raised his voice in defense of that iniquitous traffic.

But, however little may be said in defense of the slavery traffic, I say to you—there is nothing, absolutely nothing, that can be said in behalf of the liquor traffic. There is nothing, absolutely nothing, that can be said in defense of that pernicious traffic. Its history is written in tears and blood. Along its slimy trail are strewn the wrecks of thousands and tens of thousands of victims. It has ruthlessly trampled upon everything that is good and pure and holy. To accomplish its diabolical ends every law, divine or human, is constantly and arrogantly violated. Every right, no matter how sacred it may be, is insolently abused. It is the inveterate, remorseless foe of the church, breathing forth a spirit of infidelity and immorality and like a hideous octopus it entwines its arms about its victims, aye, in the very shadow of the pulpit. Wherever you may go it is wrecking and ruining the home. Under its baneful influence the loving father becomes a miserable brute, and the son a degraded wretch, a lothsome degenerate. It disgraces and debauches the daughter and sends her down, down into a life of sin and shame, down, down into the black darkness of woe and despair, and the poor, loving, long-suffering mother, the holiest creature upon God's earth, it cruelly drags down, mercilessly drags down, heartbroken and disconsolate, into an untimely grave. And as we see the terrible havoc it is everywhere causing, we instinctively cry out with the martyr of old—"How long, O God, how long will these horrible atrocities be inflicted upon us?"

But more—like a malignant cancer it is eating at the very vitals of our nation. Under its sway that noble, sturdy manhood, without which no republic can long endure, rapidly deteriorates into criminals, idiots, degenerates and parasites upon the body politic. Vice in all its hideous deformity springs phoenix-like from its own ashes and is everywhere rampant. Bribery, perjury, slander and every other black, hellish agency are constantly employed to attain its ends. It has brazenly butted into every political activity, and every branch of government that comes in contact with it becomes contaminated, corrupt. At our elections its tainted lucre flows with a freedom and a corrupting power that has made them a disgrace in the eye of every law-abiding citizen. Again and again has the judicial ermine been bespattered and stained and soiled by its poisonous filth, and even some of our legislative bodies have listened to the siren voice of the treacherous seducer. Everywhere it produces corruption and crime, everywhere sin and iniquity, eveywhere suffering and starvation—so that I say to you, there is nothing, absolutely nothing, that can be said in behalf of this hell-born traffic. Do you say that I exaggerate? The half has not been told you. The trail of the serpent is over it all. If you would know its real influence take away the churches that are arrayed against it, take away the forces and organizations that are bitterly fighting it and there would brood over this fair land a gross, thick, black moral and religious darkness that would outdo Sodom and Gomorrah in days of old. Nay more, I believe it no exaggeration to say that hell on earth with all its indescribable horrors would be a ghastly reality. If then it be the duty of the state to so govern its people that they actually will make the most of life, can there be any excuse for your supporting that awful traffic?

But let us stop and examine this question more specificaly and concretely. Time and again have we seen young men start out in life each with a career before him as promising and rosy as the rarest morning in June. But ere long they are dragged down from their lofty ideals and aspirations into a helpless, hopeless slavery, dragged down into the black, putrid pit of vice and shame, dragged down into an ignominous grave, a drunkard's hell, for Holy Writ informs us that no drunkard can enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Nine thousand two hundred such young men are sacrificed each year in Pennsylvania. But of all terrible thoughts inflicted upon the mind of man the most terrible is this—that in order to recruit their ranks 9,200 sweet-faced children must be sacrificed; 9,200 "sweet, new blossoms of humanity fresh fallen from God's own home to flower on earth.' Tramp, tramp, tramp, on they are coming —methinks now I can almost hear their merry laughter and the patter of their little feet. Tramp, tramp, tramp, on they are coming, little dreaming of the fairful demons, the blear-eyed saloon keepers lurking in their pathway to entrap them. Tramp, tramp, tramp, on they are coming, little suspecting the horrible fate that awaits them, only to be shoved into the hopper—feed, feed, feed for the corrupting, damning saloon. Oh, the pity of it—oh, the shuddering horror of it—oh, the fiendishness, the hellishness of it all! Will you vote to sacrifice those children? God forbid. If I had the magical power to transform one of them in your presence into the hulking derelict, the raving maniac or the bloody murderer that the saloon will make him in a few years, you would rise up in your wrath and indignation and feel to tear me to pieces limb by limb. Will you vote to sacrifice those children?

Not long ago one of the teachers in a college in Armenia was exhibiting some pictures showing the hardships endured by his people. On the one side of one of these pictures was a great crowd of little children, on the other side was a company of Turkish soldiers. Part of these soldiers had just fired into that crowd of children. In fiendish glee the others were preparing to do so. Some of the children were lying on the ground in the throes of death, some of them were writhing in pain and agony; some of them were wringing their hands in frantic despair, knowing full well that in a moment bul-

lets from the guns of the cruel Turks would go crashing through their brains, but here and there was a little child too small to realize the danger, fondly caressing its doll. My blood ran cold at the sight. That picture clung to my mind like a horrible nightmare. Oh, the terrible Turk. Oh, the brutal Turk! But you are asked to condemn 9,200 children to a fate far more heinous far more atrocious than that just described. Will you outdo the Sultan of the Ottoman Empire in cruelty and in brutality? Will you out-Herod Herod? The loathsome whiteslaver is endeavoring to entrap your daughter, but these fiendish vampires are scheming and struggling to debauch and ruin both your son and your daughter. Have you a boy or girl that you are willing to sacrifice? If you vote for this traffic you should be willing to contribute your share. But as for me—back in old Westmoreland there is a sturdy little boy and a blue-eyed, golden haired little girl that I would not sacrifice for all the damnable business on this side of hell. Will you vote to sacrifice those children? Woe unto him that causeth one of these little ones to stumble. It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and he drowned in the depths of the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble and fall.

But let us look at this from another angle. The awful effects of this infamous business falls heaviest upon the helpless women and children. The struggle against poverty and starvation is a losing one. The horrible artocities inflicted upon them are indescribable. One evening in December, 1914, at Youngwood, Pennsylvania, a little family had gathered about its fireside. The children were rehearsing their Christmas carols. Joy and happiness seemed to reign supreme. But suddenly a drunken fiend burst upon the scene. Without any provocation whatsoever he shot the top of the head off a little five-year old boy, and as his frantic mother picks up that bleeding, dying boy and carried him to a doctor with the blood streaming down over her it was, indeed, a grewsome, sickening sight. The funeral was Christmas Day and a sad day it was all due to the liquor traffic. Some years ago a woman came to my office carrying a tiny little child. In her youth she was one of those beautiful bunches of loveliness that is always a joy to behold. Some months prior to this visit her husband had beaten her head and shoulders almost into a jelly with the poker. He had cracked her skull, he had broken her arm, he had bent the poker and then the cruel fiend tramped her face with his hob nailed shoes. Such crimes and cruelties are an inseparable concomitant of the liquor traffic, and a negative vote to-day means your approval and permission for their continuance. There are thousands of oppressed women and children to-day begging that you drive out this terrible curse that is wrecking and ruining their homes.

Picture if you will 100,000, nay, 500,000 women and children their emaciated bodies clothed in tatters and rags, tears streaming down their haggard, disfigured faces, their long bony arms outstretched, pleading, beseeching, entreating you to take away this horrible curse that is blighting and blasting their lives. Will you turn a deaf ear to their entreaties? Is it nothing to you that these women and children are suffering and starving? Is it nothing to you that these women and children are being abused, cruelly murdered?

While his ancient capital was burning and his homeless people bewailing their loss, Nero sat contentedly in his palace and amused his savage soul with the music of his fiddle, and his name has come down in history as one of the most cruel monsters of all time. At the command of Weyler the Cubans were corralled and punished and starved until hundreds of them died, but at last the United States arose in its wrath and indignation and sent forth its embattled armies and victorious navies and set the enfeebled nation free. Will you with the heartlessness, the fiendishness of Nero and Weyler continue to legalize this nefarious business and thereby send forth daily thousands and thousands of cruel drunkards to wreak their demonical brutalities upon those helpless women and children? Oh, you hard hearts, you cruel law makers of Pennsylvania! Remember Holy Writ tells us that there will come a time when you will stand before the throne of God, the great white throne, and as a reply to the accusation of the Master you will ask: "When saw we Thee an hungered and gave Thee no meat? When saw we Thee naked and clothed Thee not?" And the Master will say: "In as much as ye did it not unto the least of one of these, ye did it not unto Me."

But listen to the startling revelations of the statisticians. They tell us that 210,000,000 of dollars are spent annually for drink in the State of Pennsylvania. Wasted—a thousand times worse than wasted. The figures are staggering, bewildering. No finite mind can really comprehend them. But one thing we do know and that is that this sum would be sufficient to build a million dollar Court House in every county in the State of Pennsylvania, pay every dollar of the appropriation to schools and colleges, hospitals and asylums, quadruple the Mothers' Pension Fund and in addition to all that pave with vitrified brick more than 1,000 miles of unimproved state road. Wasted a thousand times worse than wasted. Little wonder then that in Maine 85 per cent. of the people own their own homes while in Pennsylvania only 19 per cent. own their own homes. But that is not all. These same experts tell us that ten times that sum, 2,000 millions of dollars are lost in this state on account of the inefficiency and irresponsibility of the workmen; on account of the accidents, disasters and explosions. The law of the survival of the fitest applies to nations as well as to plants and animals. This nation then cannot hope to endure under the dominion of this ravaging, devastating agency. As the Prodigal Son came to grief so must this nation also come to grief if it continue to waste its substance in riotous living. Aye, we are clearly sowing to the wind and if we continue we must inevitably reap the whirlwind.

But more—each year we are building new insane asylums or making additions to the old buildings and yet we are told that we are now unable to take care of more than one-third of the insane at these institutions. Experts tell us that at the present rate of increase this nation will be a nation of idiots ere another century rolls by, and why? Experiments with animals show that 87 per cent. of the offspring of animals fed on alcohol are defective or in some way abnormal, while only 17 per cent. of those not so fed are defective. Investigations among the people show that 82 per cent. of the children of drunken parents are mentally or physically abnormal while but 12 per cent. of the children of total abstainers are abnormal. Clearly the sins of the parents are visited upon the children even unto the third and fourth generation. In addition to this think of the enormous number of people that are sent to insane asylums directly on account of drink. In this way we can easily account for the great increase in insanity in this country. But unless we put a stop to the liquor traffic we too will soon see the handwriting on the wall—"Weighed in the balance and found wanting." We too will soon see this nation reeling, staggering to its doom.

Furthermore, in Kansas there are three murders to every million people. In Pennsylvania there are 127 murders to every million of people. More than 40 times as many as in Kansas. The statement is appalling. Other crimes are in like proportion. In some of the counties in Kansas their jails have been empty for a number of years, while here our jails and penitentiaries are crowded to overflowing. 90 per cent. of the crimes in Pennsylvania are said to be due to the liquor traffic.

In Les Miserables the gifted author has one of his immortal characters tell us that the world is full of shadow, sin is committed therein, but the guilty one is not the person who commits the sin but the person who creates the shadow. If this be true, every one of you gives aid and comfort to the liquor dealers can truly say when you slink back home and see the drunkenness there—"I am the guilty one that caused it all." When you see the misery and whetchedness caused by drink you can say—"I am the cruel culprit that caused it all." When you see the many crimes committed through drink you can say—"I am the dastardly villian that caused it all." Nay more, ere the week shall have passed away the mark of Cain will be upon your brow for you too will be murderers. If then it be the duty of the state to so govern its people that they actually will make the most of life, clearly no one who loves his fellow man and the grand old flag, no one who is loyal to his country and the King of Kings can support this pernicious hell-born business.

It is true that in their ranks are found many apparently good citizens. Probably some of them are conscientious and believe they are right, but some business men are there simply for the trade it brings—that is their price. Some lawyers are there for the fees that are in it—that is their price. Some politicians are there simply for the support and influence, knowing full-well that is is wrong, absolutely wrong, indefensibly wrong—that is their price. For thirty pieces of silver Judas betrayed his Master into the hands of His enemies—that was his price. For a price Benedict Arnold undertook to betray the brave Colonists fighting for liberty. There is mighty little difference between furnishing aid and support to an enemy without and one within. The deadliest foe this country ever faced is now intrenched within our gates. If Nelson at Trafalgar had a right to say—"England expects every man to do his duty," so today America in this hour of peril has a right to expect every citizen to stand for the right.

The liberty which we enjoy was won at a terrible sacrifice. The history of the fierce persecutions suffered by our ancestors, the blood-drenched battlefields, the indescribable hardships and privations, bear grim testimony to this fact. That priceless heritage has been entrusted to our safe keeping. Will we guard it with jealous care and pass it on to posterity unstained and untrammeled or will we permit it to be wrested from us by these vampires or sell it for a mess of pottage? These are the questions before us, and such are the perils of the State and Nation. Oh, Pennsylvania, rum-ruled, rum-cursed, rum-enslaved Pennsylvania, would God that enough righteous men might yet be found to rise up and rescue you from this dreadful peril that you may yet be free.

Let us not haggle over methods and remedies. If a great host of rattlesnakes came down from the mountain and some got into your yard and some into your neighbor's yard and one of them into the room where your child was playing, you would not wait until all of these venomous reptiles could be killed, but would quickly dispatch the one which threatened to strike your child. So here let us strike this poisonous serpent, let us deal it a stunning blow whenever and wherever we can.

Prohibition is not a panacea for all the ills that humanity is heir to, but it will effect a gigantic transformation. Drive out the liquor traffic and the preface to a new and grander chapter in the history of this great Commonwealth will be indelibly written. Instead of the cries of pain and anguish songs of joy and rejoicing will rise like a grand, harmonious, ever-swelling anthem that will echo on Eternity's shores. Happiness and love will sway the scepter of royal dominion where now misery and wretchedness sit enthroned. Homes that are enshrouded in gloom and despair will be illuminated by the radiant glories of the true Shekinah. Humanity will be lifted into higher and purer realms of light and animated to grander and nobler achievements. And then as the great Ship of State sails on in majestic splendor we can proudly and triumphantly exclaim: "Hail, all hail, Pennsylvania. Hail, all hail thou great Keystone State, a glorious destiny is thine, thy mission truly is divine."

On the one side is light and life, on the other darkness and death. The choice is inevitable and unavoidable. Choose ye, then, this day whom ye serve. Ye cannot serve God and these hideous harpies of hell. And oh, brethren, on this momentous occasion dare to be brave, dare to be true, stand for the right and the Lord will be with you. Quit you like men.

Mr. GOODWIN. Mr. Speaker, the evil of intemperance is as old as the days of Noah, and has continued down through the centuries to the present time. The consideration of the question has increased as the years come and go until it has become not only a county question not only a State question, but a National issue; a world-wide subject of consideration. Never before has the political, the moral, the social, the economic, the religious and the scientific investigation of this question been so deep and profound as at present, and the investigators in all of these lines have come to practically the same conclusion—that alcohol is a narcotic—a poison, destructive to the moral sense, the intellectual faculties, and bodily functions.

Local option is not a new theory. It is a principle as old as the Declaration of Independence. Our forefathers in Independence Hall declared "That all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. And they also declared, "That to secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

The provisions of this bill do not require that we vote licesnes up or down; it does not provide that we legislate intoxicating liquors in or out; it simply provides that we give the people in the several counties of this Commonwealth the right to vote on this question. It will not prevent the issuing of licenses where a majority of the voters want them; it will prohibit the sale of liquor only in these counties where a majortiy so declare by their vote. It does not prohibit a man from drinking liquor, neither does it question his right to drink. It relates entirely to the method of determining in what counties the court shall have the authority to grant licenses. This bill is the referendum. It would close the saloon where a majority of the voters were against it, but it would not interfere where the majority were in favor of it. This is self-government.

We hear a great deal from the opponents of local option about "Personal Liberty." The plea of personal liberty is the argument that has guided the hand of plunder and selfish ambition. It has thwarted the course of progress through all the ages.

There is a wide difference between personal liberty and civil liberty. Civil liberty is the cornerstone of all representative government. It is the restraining power that curbs the selfish ambitions of men. Personal rights and personal liberties end where the social rights and social liberties of the community begin.

But what about the Brooks High License Law interfering with personal liberty Its very object is to restrain and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors. The judge, in his discretion, can grant the privilege where he deems it advisable or he can withhold it.

If this is not a regulating and restraining of personal liberty, how in logic or reason can it be construed that local option is a restraint of personal liberty.

It is a principle recognized by every government, by every State, and by every court, that the government has an inherent right to restrain and reglulate individuals as to their rights and privileges.

It is an undisputable principle that it is the right of the majority to enact laws to govern all. Therefore, local option is right in principle. It is the right of the majority of the voters of the county to regulate their government. And why should they not have this right? They are taxed for the support of the schools, the support of the poor, for all county expenditures, for building roads and bridges, and making all municipal improvements.

Under the Brooks high license law a Judge, at the bequest of twelve voters, may grant a license to sell intoxicating liquors in a county where a large majority of the voters are opposed to it. This is one of the most arbitrary powers granted to any official under our whole system of government. Yet if the moral sense of the community be outraged, there is no appeal. This is not right. No man or company of men should have the authority to foist such a thing upon a community against its will.

We hear much about the vested rights of those who are engaged in the liquor business. They say that local option would deprive them of their vested rights without due compensation. That is a fallacious argument. The right to sell liquor under the Brooks High License Law is not nor never has been a vested right. For nearly thirty years under that law it has been decided by our courts time and time again that the right to sell intoxicating liquor is simply a privilege granted by the court, and that privilege is only granted for the period of one year. It is entirely different from ordinary business. You may establish a dry goods store, a hardware store or any other ordinary business, and no one can question your right to carry on that business, but if you want to engage in the liquor business, you must proceed by a petition to the Court of Quarter Sessions. And if the prayer of your petition is granted it is only for the limited period of twelve months.

Under the operation of our present law, vested rights do not prevent our judges from refusing a license. Suppose a judge grants a license this year because he is satisfied that under the law it is necessary for the accommodation of the public. But suppose that next year that it is shown

conclusively that the place is not necessary in that community. Would they argue for a moment, that under the Brooks High License Law, the judge would not have the right to refuse that license. Certainly not.

The Supreme Court of the United States, in Crowley vs. Chritianson, 137 U. S. Reports, page 86, held that "It is undoubtedly true that it is the right of every citizen of the United States to pursue any lawful trade or business under such restrictions as are imposed upon all persons of the same age, sex and condition."

Under our present high license law no one has a right to sell intoxicating liquors without a license therefor. Therefore when an applicant is refused a license he is not deprived of a vested right, but simply a personal privilege.

They say that local option would be inefficient because under its operation one county would be wet and the next one dry. But how is it under the Brooks High License Law? Our county of Venango has been dry for a number of years under that law. It is bounded on the north by one dry and one wet county on the east by two wet counties on the south by a wet county, and on the west by a dry county.

The great trend of modern day legislation is to give the people, more and more, the right to express their preferences in all matters relating to their govenment. This is a day of progress in most directions. The voters of the State have the right to express their choice as to who shall be President of the United States as to who shall represent this State in the Senate of the United States as to who shall represent them in the House of Representatives at Washington. They have the privilege of voting on the question as to who shall represent them in this legislative hall. They vote on questions of taxation and municipal improvements. But when it comes to the question of voting on the issue of determining whether intoxicating liquors shall or shall not be sold in their respective counties, the opponents of this bill hold up their hands and say no; this is a question about which the voters have no right to express their opinion. That is not right. That is not self-government.

Let us write this law upon our statute books, and we shall in a truer sense make this a government of the people, for the people, and by the people.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker and members of the House, I wish to express myself as against this bill. It would seem, from a remark made by one of the speakers, that a licensed landlord has no right or protection or guarantee. If he has ever heard of the right guaranteed him by the Constitution of this State and Nation he does know that he is guaranteed the right of property. He knows before he makes an application to his court for a license that he will be compelled to acquire a property and his personal qualifications as well as his qualifications of property will be inquired into carefully and conscientiously by the court in his community. Hence, he has a right under the Constitution of this State and Nation in property and to the protection of that property. We know that there are invested in this State of Pennsylvania and in this nation millions of dollars; the life earnings of some of the best men of our State, and will you tell me that when the court declines to recognize that proposition by reason of the direction of this House that he is not taking away from that man his right to his property as well as his property. I should dislike to be a party to this body of men, to this House, to this State, or to any other body of men to cast my ballot against that unfavorable proposition, knowing that the casting of that ballot eliminated that man from his business that he possesses and his right to take his business which he had built up during his entire life-time and followed in the footsteps of his father and the entire property would be cancelled by my voice in this House.

No, gentlemen, I have no belief nor no confidence in depriving American citizens or the citizens of this Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of their rights to property in this manner.

There is another thing I want to say a word about. The great proposition before your face and mine now and the face of the manhood of the world is revenue. How are you going to satisfy your constituents at home and the people of this great state of ours by the right kind of appropriations for the free institutions of the state, for the hospitals of the state, for the schools of the state, for the roads of the state, for the widows' pensions, for the soldiers' pensions, and the protection of all of our constituents who are crying for more revenue? I want to say to you, gentlemen, that the first thing that our friends ought to do would be to consider that we are deriving a revenue of about three hundred and fifty million dollars from the men engaged in this business and who own the property and are conducting their business according to the strict letter of the Brooks Law, which is a good law, a law recognized by the courts of this state and upheld ever since 1887. It is the duty of this House and the citizens of this state to look into that question of revenue and provide bills to produce revenue to take the place of the millions of dollars paid into our state and national treasury by reason of this business which is conducted under the law and by the letter of the law. Pass this measure and remove this business and who is going to pay the millions of dollars into this state treasury? We will be compelled, as a body of men, to legislate and compel you to increase your taxation, whether it be upon your real estate, per capita or some other thing that you will be compelled to pay it upon. I say, bring forth your bill, pass your measure providing the necessary revenue for the state treasury, and then come around and ask us to cancel these saloons; provide your bills to protect these people in the right of property under the Constitution; and when you have produced those two measures we will consider this bill.

The question of drinking and the drinking habit—that is your business and not mine. I have no right to dictate to you whether you shall wear wool, cotton or silk. There is a law that says you must wear something. I take the position, in a free country like this, that we have no right to dictate to one another. Ah, yes, they tell us that liquor is a narcotic; that it is a poison. Why, the doctors of your own home, your own family, are using poison as a narcotic to assist in the bringing about of some strength. I want my doctor to know that if I am in such a serious condition and need a stimulant I would rather risk a drink of good liquor than poison. How many hundreds and thouhands of people in this Commonwealth and in this country of ours that are receiving that as a stimulant at the hands of their own physicians in their insidiousness and in the lack of honesty and pure intent to revive his patients? How many men are accidentally injured and life nearly taken away from them? How many of our good women, in the absence of a physician at hand, have received a stimulant at the hand of the husband in the form of a little good whiskey; and how many doctors have said to the husband and wife when he landed, that was the proper thing to take some stimulant? What your stimulant is, is your own business. I do not care whether you drink beer or buttermilk, or whether you drink buttermilk and water. That is your business. I believe in temperance. The great trouble is that we eat too much. We eat too much and then that individual who eats too much takes a drink of liquor and dies—he dies from a drink of liquor, and that is the way it gets on the prohibition statistics, as having died from the use of alcohol. It reminds me of the old man who died at the age of one hundred and three years from the excessive drinking of liquor, and I saw that in a prohibition article. How far fetched it is?

We have other subjects, Mr. Speaker, facing this State to-day that are more important than the new issues they are attempting to bring about, and it is our duty to devote our time to secure more revenue and not to cancel revenue that we might be prepared to meet the issues facing this State and Nation at this day and this hour.

You talk about the habits and the customs and the result of men living in states that are dry. Why, when I read the article of a great fire over in Maine, the first order the mayor gave was to close the saloon. There is an incentive for the individual residing in a dry county and in a dry state to become a liar; to become a thief; to become a smuggler, often called bootlegger; and they are there in every dry state in this union, I care not where you name it or locate it. Is that the right kind of lesson to teach the young men of this State and Nation? Hadn't we better have it regulated so that you and I can be entertained by our bread and board and so if you need it you can get the liquor? If you do not need it you are not required to take it; it is not compulsory on any man. You have every possible license in the world now to govern and control that proposition. I have no use for the indi-

vidual who takes more than he can carry; I have no use for the individual that drinks it to excess; I have no use for the individual that drinks enough of it to draw away from the right path of performing his daily duties or hourly duties and not knowing every moment what he is doing. We ought to know that we ought all to eat and drink so that we will be in condition to do our duty and do it well. (Applause.)

Mr. LANIUS. Mr. Speaker and getlemen of the House, I am sorry to say I am not equal to the occasion because of a sudden and severe attack of illness, and I will ask that my colleagues throughout the entire House who cannot hear me distinctly will kindly forbear. The gentleman who has just preceded me has spokne of constitutional rights. I call your attention, Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, to the fact that when licenses are revoked in this State by the courts of this State, there is nothing said about constitutional rights, because the Constitution, as I understand it, says no man shall be deprived of his property, except by due process of law. If a law is written here in Pennsylvania that a license is to be revoked by the vote of the people, then, Mr. Speaker, I take it that that is "due process of law," and the provisions of the Constitution have been fulfilled. Mr. Speaker, the gentlemen who preceded me spoke of compensation. What has been the compensation for the men of this State whose licenses have been revoked? They have that like men, and have made no complaint. And yet their brethren who pretend to be sympathetic with them would come here and ask that they be taken care of when they made no attempt to get any compensation for the men whose licenses were lost. Mr. Speaker, I take it when we speak of compensation, we are treading upon dangerous ground. We passed the Child Labor Bill; we cast out the children of this State from earning a livelihood, and we did not provide any other means for them to earn a livelihood. Mr. Speaker, when the men of Pennsylvania marched away in 1860 to liberate the slaves in the South, there was not one word about compensation for those people down South who believes that business was right. Let us stop talking about compensation in Pennsylvania. It is dangerous, more than dangerous. It brings back the rattle of the drum and fife of 1860. Below the Mason and Dixon Line, the men stood their loss like men, and that is the reason perhaps a compensation argument did not stand in a good place when they made the South thoroughly prohibition. Mr. Speaker, from the standpoint of revenue, what does it cost this Nation to make up for the use and abuse of liquor? What is charged against the State by reason of the inmates in the State hospitals, local hospitals, county almshouses, county jails and State penitentiaries?

Mr. Speaker, is any thing taken into consideration for the loss of the talent, and for the loss of the manhood? Every prohibition state in the United States shows an increase of finance rather than a decrease. It shows that this must be a progressive move, or that a great West, which has been so often referred to would not have adopted this and more drastic measures one after the other. It has been said that the State of Nevada does not want a local option law because she cannot stand it from a standpoint of population; that New Jersey never wanted any because of Atlantic City, Ocean View, and Cape May. But God only knows why Pennsylvania does not want one. Mr. Speaker I say to you that we ought to be ashamed that in this State of Pennsylvania that has always stood firm in every crisis that we do not have at least a local option law on the statute books. The county is right under the Brooks High License Law. It is said by liquor men that at least you have got a local option law in the Brooks High License law. Then if that is so, and the licenses are distributed in county unions at the present time we take it sir, that the county units are the proper form. What excuse will they give us if we ask them to vote for prohibition. They will not want that either. I tell you, Mr. Speker, it is not the people, it is the treachery of the politicians that we have opposing us. That is where the trouble comes in. You can scoff and mock and override the wish and will of the pepole, but I would like to know, Mr. Speaker how many men in this House fought this issue fairly and squarely at the last election. I would like to know just how many were committed one way or the other, and how many were not committed. Mr. Speaker, I was told that I sang my swan song here on the floor of this House in 1915. I am singing the second verse of that to-day, and I thank God for the privilege. In speaking about personal liberty—you have passed the narcotic drug act that will prevent a man from taking a dose of morphine. What difference if I take morphine for a stimulant or if I take a drink of whiskey. One they say I cannot have, and the other they say I dare have. Is that fair?

Mr. Speaker, I shall not go into detail because for once in my life I am disgusted, thoroughly disgusted, because the liquor people have not put up one single iota of argument here to-day. I would like to meet these gentlemen where we could talk together at any place, at any time, anywhere that we might see fit and present our arguments without subterfuge. A man has a right to his conscience, and we trust that conscience and politics will prevail today. They say we are here representing districts, and I say so too. I say we are here as district representatives, but there is something else connected with being a representative of either the Republican or the Democratic party from such and such a district. Mr. Speaker, in 1914, the Democratic party declared for local option. The senators elected in that year are still bound by that pledge. This is a co-ordinate branch of this Legislature. We cannot bind them and free ourselves, and I hope Mr. Speaker, in every case those of this delegation who have not specifically repudiated that local option platform pledge and are duty bound to vote for it will do so. We do well to challenge the sincerity of the Republican party, in gubernatorial campaigns and in National campaigns, but we do help to set them an example by redeeming our pledges. Mr. Speaker, this is a serious proposition. Prohibition played a most important part in the last election. Will we read the hand writing on the wall, or will we fail to read the hand writing? Your whole West is prohibition, and there will not be any one candidate for president in 1920, who will dare say he does not favor prohibition. There is too large a vote, and Pennsylvania still holds out. Must we make Pennsylvania dry by constitutional amendment; must we amend the federal constitution? Mr. Speaker, they have told me that Pennsylvania has just as progressive laws on its statute books as there are in the West but how long after those other states did Pennsylvania adopt these progressive laws. Child Labor was adopted by many of the western states before we ever wrote it on our statute books, and so was compensation, and we tried to have initiative and referendum. As one gentleman said here at the hearing last week, in three months three elections were held for mayor. He was talking about recall and not initiative and referendum. Mr. Speaker, we are progressive, and that very fact is the very reason in my mind why we could be not only progressive, but the leading state in this Nation from every point of view. Mr. Speaker there is no reason in the world why the people in Pennsylvania should not have what they ask for. Surely if you take the vote of 1914 and look at the upwards of 400,000 votes cast for Mr. McCormick, and they were local option votes, men who at least were satisfied with their declaration surely you will see that that was not a small minority. You will see that is a sufficient body to demand this act from this Legislature.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion I desire to make it plain that where men have stood out against this measure, and where their intentions are honest they can use their votes as they see fit, but I am speaking to the man who is non-committal, the man who has not made his fight fairly and openly, I say he is in duty bound to stand and vote for this measure. I thank you.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I wish to say to those who will vote for this measure and those who will vote against it, buth sides are my friends. I will be very brief in my remarks for the reason that I believe that brevity "is the spice of life." The prevailing idea exists that those men who favor this bill are angels, and those who are opposed to it are on the road to perdition and damnation. I do not favor this bill and I am not ashamed to tell you so on the floor of this House to-day. That is the American right, which every one of us has the right to display on the floor of the House. No man with red blood in his veins fears any other man, and I stand here to-day to tell you that I fear no man by reason of my vote on this question. I represent a district com-

posed of workshops, mills, factories, blast furnaces and so forth. I know this to be an actual fact that the man who earns his bread by the sweat of his brow, standing before the blast furnaces or pulling the iron as it may be, if he steps out and takes a glass of water, usually ice water, he is a sick man. The superintendents—and I am well acquainted with a number of them in my district—tell me that when a man takes a glass of beer it does not have the effect of making him sick. Isn't it right that what I do it done to meet the needs of the constituency in my district? I beg to state that the issue was fairly fought at the last election in my district, and in answer to the gentleman from York Mr. Lanius I can state that local option was an issue in my district and that my colleague and I came out victorious. I have never played the part of a hypocrite and I do not intend to play that part; but I might truthfully say with relation to the so-called dry forces that many a time I have ridden on the same train with them and they were "loaded to the brim." That is what I call a hypocrite, and of that class I would not be a member. We must consider that the brewing interests and the liquor interests are co-partners in our state government. They help to pay our taxes they help to employ our men they improve their property and are charged with all assessments. Why should we take their property without due process of law? The former speaker has stated that the due process of law will be complied with by this measure but I disagree with him. We have corporations enjoying the right of eminent domain ,where property has been taken by condemnation proceedings, and they have the right to receive compensation therefor. If we are going to have a law where there is confiscation, let us also have compensation. I believe that Barnum was right when he said that the American people liked to be humbugged. This is my first experience in the House, but it looks as though the Pennsylvania legislature is humbugged every two years by having this proposition come before the House. It is time that a halt should be called on this so that we can get down to business instead of jolting the House full each sessions will bills on this question. I will admit for the sake of argument that there are bad men in the liquor business but you also have bad men in the dry party. Rid both of you rparties of the bad men and see if you cannot get together and make a harmonious climax somewhere along the line. In conclusion, I am going to say that the experiences in dry counties throughout this State have been something terrible. I am going to illustrate by referring to the county of Mercer. That county went dry about two years ago. In the towns of Sharon and Farrell two or three carloads of beer are sent in every week to meet the demands of the people in thot county. Then you have Youngstown, which is only about sixteen miles distant. The grocers of that town have sent out correspondence to the various residents of this county, to the effect that if they would purchase ten dollars worth of groceries, a quart of whiskey would be sent as a premium. That is a condition in Mercer County. We should treat all counties alike. If you are going to make them dry, make them bone dry—a provision that this bill does not have. I thank you for your consideration, and in closing wish to say that I am opposed to the passage of this bill and will vote against it.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House: The statement was made at the local option hearing Wednesday of last week, that the members of the House had misrepresented the major sentiment of the people of this Commonwealth, in voting against the passage of a local option law. The gentleman who made this statement were mistaken. I believe that the vote of the House has always been in accordance with the sentiment of the people, because in most cases, the local option question was an issue, either at the nomination or election of each member. I also believe that this House to-day will vote its honest judgment upon the bill now before us, but like "Truth crushed to earth," the question of local option will continue to be an issue for this House to determine until it is answered right.

The question which this House will pass upon to-day, is briefly this: Shall the people of each county in this Commonwealth be given the right to determine whether intoxicants shall be sold therein or not? Or to state the question in another form: Whether each county of the State shall have home-rule on the liquor question? The mere statement of the proposition would seem to be sufficient, but such it not the case. Many arguments are made against the passage of a local option law. I shall endeavor to state the principal arguments against local option and make a brief reply thereto.

It is argued that because intoxicants have been sold at all times in the past, and that several of the Presidents of the United States have sanctioned such sale, and possibly engaged in the business that such sales should continue in the future.

This argument is not tenable. Slavery was an institution in this country until recently, but it was abolished. Capital punishment was imposed in the past for the commission of a hundred or more offenses. At the present time it is reduced to a very few. We have Workmen's Compensation and Child Labor laws on our books now, placed there during the session of 1915. The necessity therefor did not appear until that time.

The fact is, that as civilization advances, the enlightened mind and heart finds that laws are necessary to meet new and changed conditions which did not exist theretofore, and to make that unlawful which theretofore was lawful.

It is argued again, that men cannot be reformed by law; that the solution of the liquor question is educational. This statement is open to attack.

The State will not permit thieves to steal, nor murderers to murder, because men cannot be reformed by law, but because it is necessary to protect society by punishing those members which violate the law. The same is true of the liquor question. The opportunity to drink should be removed for the protection of the individual and those who are affected thereby.

It is argued again, that the passage of a local option law will increase taxes, assuming, of course, that some of the counties will vote dry. This proposition is correct, but who pys the taxes; who pays for the breweries, distilleries, liquor establishments, homes (many of them palatial), and the luxuriant living of many persons engaged in the liquor business? The answer is evident,—the consumer pays the taxes and for all the other things which I have mentioned. The consumer is the public, the public, hence, would be benefited by removing the burden of such payments from it.

It is also argued that local option laws or prohibitory laws do not decrease the amount of liquor consumed. If that be true, I ask why it is, that those who are engaged in the sale and manufacture of liquors are opposed to such laws.

It is also argued, that a man has a right to eat or drink whatever he chooses, without regard to the effect upon himself or others.

The proposition is not correct. The State makes it unlawful, a crime, for a man to attempt to take his own life. The State protects the health of its people by the enactment of pure food and many other laws. The State is interested in promoting the health and longevity of all its citizens.

But man does not live alone. The effect of the use of intoxicants concerns not only the individual using the same, but the family, church, State and Nation.

It is argued again that this disturbing question of local option should not be raised at this time when the country probably is on the verge of war.

I answer that this is the very time that the question should be raised, because it is necessary that this State and Nation husband all its resources, whether of men or property. Canada recognized the correctness of this position. The Province of Ontario since the war began, enacted a prohibition law, and Russia recognized the correctness of this position in prohibiting the sale of "vodka."

But whether my position is right or wrong upon any of the above propositions; whether liquor should be sold now, because it has been sold at all times in the past; whether or not men can be reformed by law; whether the passing of a local option law will raise the taxes; whether the passage of such a law will decrease the amount of liquor sold; whether a man has a right to eat and drink that which he chooses, I contend is not for the members of this House to answer, but each of these questions is for the people to answer when they are called upon to determine in their respective counties whether intoxicants shall be sold therein or not. If the electorate consider any of

the arguments made against local option good, they will no doubt vote accordingly; if they do not consider such arguments good, they will vote accordingly.

I have heretofore attempted to make an answer to some of the arugments made against the passage of a local option law. I shall now endeavor to submit a few reasons why this bill before us should be passed. My first reason is, that the government of this country is based upon that immutable principle that the government is of, by and for the people. A local option law is simply an exercise of that principle.

This bill should be passed because it furnishes home-rule for each county on the liquor question. The public policy of the State is in favor of home-rule for municipalities, and this principle should be extended to the liquor question.

This bill should be passed because the government of this State is weakened by virtue of its present liquor laws. This is true in the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments thereof. Many of our judges are now being selected without reference to any other quality than their attitude upon the liquor question. The same is true in the selection of members of the General Assembly, and I believe it also will be true hereafter in the selection of a Governor. This condition should not exist. It means that inferior men will necessarily be elected to office and the government necessarily weakened thereby.

This bill should also be passed because the people should have the right to stop that which is destructive to life, health and the pursuit of happiness.

Statistics given at the recent local option hearing show that the probability of life of a person of the age of 20 years, who is a non-drinker, is 64 years; that of a moderate drinker, 51 years, or 13 years less than that of the non-drinker; that of the hard drinker, 35 years, or 29 years less than that of the non-drinker; that 300,000 people die annually in this country from the use of intoxicants. Statistics also show that from 50 to 75 per cent. of crime is a result of the use of intoxicants; that about the same percentage of divorces are caused thereby; that it sends a large number of people to the poor house, and no doubt a large percentage of the 2,334 deaths and 227,887 persons injured between January 1, 1916, and December 1, 1916, as a result of industrial accidents in the State, were caused either directly or indirectly by the excessive use of intoxicating liquors. There cannot be any question but that the excessive use of liquor is harmful to the individual, the family, church, the State and the Nation, and that it is destructive of life, health and happiness.

If then the government of this country is vested in the people; if the policy of the State is in favor of home-rule for municipalities; if the present liquor laws weaken the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the government; if the use of liquor is destructive of life, health and the pursuit of happiness, why shouldn't this General Assembly grant to the people the right of local option. Twenty-five States of the Union are now under the prohibition flag; nearly all of the other States have passed local option laws; why should Pennsylvania lag further? Gentlemen, that is a question for you to answer.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, reference has been made to property rights of license owners but no reference has been made to other property rights, the rights of children in their father, the rights of the wife in her husband; they maintain to argue on behalf of themselves that these property rights are far greater than their property rights, simply the possession of one bottle of liquor or a quantity of liquor. One of the speakers in oppposition to the bill, although he stated that he is for it, stated that it is evidenced that the American people like to be humbugged. I submit that we have been humbugged. We have been humbugged from year to year by the liquor forces of this State. They will argue when you go into a license court that the Brook's High License Law is not a local option law; when you come down to this House here then they will argue that the High License Law is a local option law. When you put a prohibition measure in front of them by legislative enactment they will say it is simply referred to the people; and when you put it in front of them then it should be referred to the people and they possibly don't want any legislation for it. I desire to quote from the Sunday Dispatch which I have found in my mail box practically ever since I have been elected to this House coming from some unknown source. I quote from date of January 28th, 1917, at which time a bill had been passed by Congress making the District of Columbia dry. As I understand it, this paper at least appears from the evidence to be a liquor paper. I will read a portion of it:

"If the people of the District of Columbia want drinking abolished, well and good. They are entitled to have what they want. But, at least, let the matter be referred to them. To pass a bill such as the Sheppard matter without letting the people of the district affected vote upon it, amounts to a dangerous violation of popular right."

"Let us have a referendum in order that the people whose personal liberties are to be curtailed by this measure may say for themselves whether or not they approve of such curtailment. If the Prohibition element can legislate the District of Columbia "dry" without consulting the feeling of of the people of that district, they can with equal propriety declare whole states "dry" in defiance of the sentiment of the people of those states."

The question comes to you, why a local option bill is necessary. The law in this State, the Brook's High License Law, has not yet been quoted. I desire to read that section of the Brook's High License Law which has caused so much trouble in this State of Pennsylvania and on account of which a local option bills becomes an absolute necessity.

"The said court of quarter sessions shall hear petitions from residents of the ward, borough or township, in addition to that of the appellant, in favor of and remonstrance against the applicant for such license and in all cases shall refuse the same whenever, in the opinion of the said court, having due regard to the number and character of the petitioners for and against such application such license is not necessary for the accommodation of the public and entertainment of strangers or travelers, or that the applicant or applicants is or are not fit persons to whom such license should be granted."

What is the position of the court upon that law? We will assume that the court is absolutely honest. He has taken a constitutional oath to perform, with proper regard, all the functions of his office. The courts generally throughout the State have taken the position that the Brook's High License Law is a law which authorizes the granting or requires the granting of license in a particular county and leaves only to the court the question as to where the same be granted. If that is the case, then the number and character of the petitioners for and against have no weight whatsoever with the court. In our county at the last no-license fight, as near as we could estimate, there are perhaps twenty-five hundred out of forty thousand in our county who are drinking men, a very small majority. We contended that the public were the twenty-five hundred. The courts ruled otherwise. The court was composed of all teetotalers, absolutely temperance men who would have made our country dry if they could have conscientiously done so under the Brooks High License Law. It is for that reason that I desire to speak upon this bill at this time. What is the effect upon the court? When the court by reason of its oath of office cannot make a county dry the effect then is to elect a judge to office who is pledged upon the popular issue before that issue is ever in court. It is corrupting our judiciary, one of the most important functions of our government, and if we gentlemen could realize that our people will take it into their own hands and, gentlemen, when the people of any community take anything into their own hands as against the law, it is dangerous to the community at large.

Now, gentlemen, the question has been raised as to whether the fight was raised in your recent candidacy or not. Suppose the fight were raised and the fact that some advocate came out for local option and you did not, does that mean that all those persons who voted for you and did not inquire as to your attitude on local option are against it? Don't go out and slap your constituents in the face, the men who sent you down here, by voting on this proposition as if they did not have the right and intelligence to vote upon a condition local in itself. (Applause.)

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I am not here to plead for the drunkards, nor am I here to defend the liquor interests of Pennsylvania, nor am I here to sympathize with the weak-minded families unable to govern themselves and govern their children, who fail to properly bring up their children under God's law and the righteous obedience to the good things in life and who fail

by the wayside because of unholy alliances existing in this world to-day entirely apart from the drinking of liquor; but I am here to plead in behalf of that vast army of men and women who know how to use liquor and use it in moderation. The foundation of all good government is justice. In order to secure justice, governments are instituted among men who derive their power from the consent of the government. In order to secure justice constitutions are established which guarantee to men certain right and which delegate to the government certain privileges; constitutions which say to the intolerant spirit of the day, "Thus far you can go and no farther." Constitutions are made to protect men in the exercise of their rights and if this bill were a bill to regulate the traffic in liquor along modern and decent lines I would cheerfully vote for the measure that now lies before us; but the very title of the bill tells in the off-start what it is. It is an attempt to further regulate, it says, the liquor laws of Pennsylvania, referring thereby to the statute already on the books, that of 1887, known as the Brook's High License Law, which for the first time undertook to properly regulate the sale of liquor in Pennsylvania. Now, under that law we have gotten along remarkably well. In the city that I come from I remember as a boy during the first year of the session of the license court how one saloon after the other was driven out of existence simply upon the plea that it was not a necessity in the neighborhood where it existed. I am not here to stand upon any proposition of property that has been made here for the saloonkeeper, for I freely believe that when the day comes that the people get tired of drinking liquor the saloon, in a number of the sections where the people's don't want it, will automatically go out of business and you won't need to compensate the saloonkeeper; but as long as there is any number of people sufficiently large enough in number to patronize a saloon existing, I say that it does not lie in the power of a momentary majority from one year to the other to drive the saloonkeeper out of business simply by a little majority, some few men who don't want license while others do. The foundation upon which the Brook's High License Law stands is whether or not it is a necessity in the neighborhood.

And our judges have been asked in a judicial manner to determine that question. But from whence arises all this noise and all this tumult of recent years? I have seen it grow, and perhaps many of you here in the House have seen it grow, when judges have attempted in a judicial manner to perform their duties, and have attempted to listen to those who come pleading for a saloon in a particular section of the city or town, a few hand-picked agitators living nowhere near the section to be affected, but primarily opposed to liquor at any and all cost, would come into a court of justice and remonstrate against the granting of that license, and when they refuse they commence a campaign against the judge who had the courage and the manhood to do his duty. From the time that this first happened down to the present hour this agitation has grown until today in my own city and in every part of the United States where licenses should have been granted in response to the wishes of a community overwhelmingly made known to the courts and not granted, simply because some man high in the church wrote a secret little letter which the judge had in his pocket remonstrating against the granting of a license. Do you call that the spirit of fair play? Do you call that the spirit of American Democracy that should prevail? Is that the kind of courage you want in a judge? I say nevertheless that the weaknesses of our judges to-day in obedience to this hue and cry against licenses, ill founded as it is, is because they have dreaded to perform their duties, and that is the strongest evidence in favor of the law that we now have of 1887. Do you know, gentlemen, that behind this bill lurks the sinister influence of the prohibitionist who wants the entire state to be made dry? Because is the very reading of this bill you will find that once the people have voted to make a certain county dry, there is nothing in the bill that ever tells the judge that he is obligated to grant any license again, even after they make the county wet, showing conclusively that it does not settle the question at all, but leaves a county dry once the county has been made dry.

You will recall in the meeting here last week, how one sponsor after the other who spoke for this bill told you that their aim after all was to get state-wide prohibition, and they heralded in glorious vein the fact that some day they would have national prohibition. Well, now, let me tell you, my friends, whether it comes or whether it does not, that you are sowing the seed of anarchy. The pathway of anarchy is along the pathway of intolerance, never along the line of liberal and judicious treatment of the things that require justice. The pathway of all destruction for any nation has always been when one class of people undertakes with an iron hand to rule the other. I do not care, so far as the traffic of liquor is concerned, whether it automaticaly goes out of business today or tomorrow, but I do care whether or not you are going to uphold the sacred right of humanity to have what it wants as long as it knows how decently and consistently to use that which God himself has given man to use. Every possible effort is made here to talk about liquor as a poison. Why gentlemen did you ever read of liquor in the pages of your history, or in the reading of the Good Book, doing any injury to Jesus of Nazareth at the wedding of Cana, or the guests that were assembled there? No, but the spirit of intolerance did, it nailed Him to the cross. Did you ever hear of its doing any injury to Daniel Webster, or Henry Clay? Did it ever kill William Penn? Has it ever killed any member of this House, or of the sessions that have gone before? I say no. But the abuse of liquor, the same as the abuse of any other thing, has brought about death, because the written law of God has been that you are to be temperate in all things. I am reminded in this instance of a little thing that occurred some years ago when holding a banquet in connection with a lodge of which I happened to be a member. A certain clergyman and I met in an outer room of the hall where the banquet was being held. He came running out with a very pale face, with a finger in his mouth, and ran to the lavatory and emptied out what he had eaten. I looked at him and said, "What is the matter, my dear brother?" He said: "Brother Beyer, I enjoyed that ice cream. I have eaten just a bit more of ice cream than was good for me, and here is the result of it."

I said, "My good friend, the Good Book says, 'be ye temperate in all things.'"

This seems to me the principle source of trouble in Pennsylvania today. If we undertook to regulate the traffic in liquor along sound and sober lines, if we would make the traffic open, dealing with it in the open, instead of in secret behind closed doors and frescoed windows where every neighbor could see a man stand against the bar, there would be less desire to hang around such places where a man becomes intoxicated. But when you talk about this question along the lines you have been talking as something wicked, you do not reflect on any injury that may result from the abuse of it. What the liquor business needs above all things else today, is regulation and not confiscation. The people who live in one county have as much right to feel that the people in another county shall live along the same line as they do. How manifestly unjust it appears to be for some poor working man who has stood all day honestly toiling in the sweat of his brow, gets home at night, wants to go out and have a little sociable time with his friends, but he cannot find a saloon, simply because he happens to be living in a section of the city where some big millionaire resides, who belongs to some city club somewhere, who after filling their bellies drinking all sorts of booze and gambling with cards late at night then come home next day and vote for a local option law that denies the poor devil the same privilege, that he has himself somewhere else. Some one made the suggestion a moment ago that the Governor of this Commonwealth was elected upon a platform of his own, that of local option. I want to correct that statement. I remember what the Governor said, and think you gentlemen will recall, that before he was nominated, he made this statement: "If the Legislature passes a local option law I will sign it." He was perfectly safe in making that statement, for he had reason to know that the Legislature would never pass any such law. But as his campaign progressed, and he traveled from one county to the other, he met in various sections of the State people who were not favorable to liquor, and he had to make his statements a little more pronounced, and a little more decided than before, and he became more eloquent in order to impress upon them his sincerity and he finally worked himself up in a fever heat in favor of local option, but there were thousands of people in Pennsyl-

vania who never believed he would sign a local option bill, while there may have been a few who believed that he would. Then commenced a campaign of tyranny over this chamber two years ago. Every man was summoned from time to time into the Executive Chamber and asked to sign what he considered a roll of honor to vote in favor of this local option bill. Threats were made to the various members of this House. I was told that if I did not support the local option bill, that if I voted against it, that I would never come back here to my seat in the House. I had the courage to oppose it, gentlemen. The first time I was elected I was elected by a majority of about three thousand. They tried to defeat me, and they tired to have a man against me who could be regarded as a local option candidate in that district, but they did not think that safe enough, and in order to get rid of your representative for a man who would favor the local option bill, and finding that they could not get such a candidate in my district, they tried to get a brewery owner on the ticket as a candidate against me to offset my strength in that district. That is the manner of the local optionists and the sincerity that is behind the advocates of this bill. I came back to this House with a majority of almost eight thousand as against three thousand two years ago. If that means anything it means at least that my constituents have honored me with having manhood and courage enough to stand for what I believe to be right, even though some of them did not agree with the sentiments I expressed. In the Fifteenth district of Philadelphia we had a very forcible illustration. We have in this House to-day in the person of Mr. Cummins, a representative who ran against a man named Scott, a local option candidate. Mr. Scott received twenty-seven hundred votes, while Mr. Cummins in the House here received eighteen thousand seven hundred votes. Does this look as though the people of Philadelphia at least were going wild over this local option cry, or does it look as though they wanted men liberal-minded, whole-souled and free-hearted enough to accord to every man and woman the same liberties and privileges that they ask for themselves. Why, gentlemen, it is a most unfortunate fact, but true, that this hysteria and spirit of intolerance has grown into the very hearts of some of our best preachers of the State to-day. I was talking some months ago with one of the most distinguished and noted preachers in our city, known all over this continent as a great lecturer. and the man told me in confidence, "I would be afraid to honestly speak out as I ought to on this subject; if I did I would be damned." I said, "Why don't you come out in your manhood and make that statement?" He said, "I read what you said some time ago in the Legislature, every line of it, and I want to say, Brother Beyer, that I agree with every word you said." He said, "Do you know, in a great hospital in Philadelphia, in which I am interested, that we have saved many a life by the timely administration of a little liquor?" I said, "If you believe that why don't you come out in the open and say it?" He said, "I cant, but you can," and he said, "when the time comes why don't you say to the liquor people of Pennsylvania, 'there is a solution to this great problem; hang out a little shingle on the front door with these words, "this is a temperance saloon;" that is the answer to the whole question.'" No greater injury has even been done to the cause of temperance than this unholy and untimely assault upon the rights and liberties of the men and women of this Commonwealth. If drink were a poison such as opium and other narcotics of that character there might be some excuse for the assault upon it, but it is only in the abuse or the wrongful use of liquor that any injury has ever been done. There are many other things that men and women can do that are intemperate,—you can be intemperate in eating as well as drinking; you can make a hog of yourself by doing many other things besides going to a table and taking a glass of wine or beer. I honestly believe that in this great age of efficiency, when men are seeking to bring out of themselves all the energy they can, they are gradually rising, in other words, their manhood will overthrow the vice and wrong that might be in their dispositions, and they will live more temperate lives than heretofore. They are becoming more temperate in their method of living, and when the time comes when they do not want to drink they will cease drinking without any law to stop them. But if they have not that right, if you are going to try to stop it. they will find some other way of doing it. If they cannot get it in Delaware County. they will come to Philadelphia and get it, and they will probably come back from Philadelphia drunk, whereas if they could have gotten it in Delaware in the first place, they would have taken the drink and gone home perfectly sober and perfectly contented. The experience with all humanity has always been that the thing most craved for is the thing that is being denied. I remember some years ago when riding on a train through our State to some distant point in the West, on a Sunday, when there was not a drink on the train, that some of the men wanted a drink. They were walking back and forth, asking the men on the train whether or not they had a bottle with them. Unfortunately no one had, and the first thing they did when the train reached that distant town, was to hunt up some club to get the drink that they did not need but thought they wanted, because they could not get it on the train.

Let your preachers do their part. Let us have more religion and less politics in the pulpits. Let us have more manhood and patriotism, more regard for justice, and men will rise up in their dignity and power and assert themselves as God wants them to do and they will live the lives that He alone wants them to live, without any regards to the law in Pennsylvania.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, local option is something that has been granted to the people of almost every state in the Union with the exception of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Therefore it should not be looked upon with suspicion as being a new thing or as an unreasonable request. Why it should be held back in this way I do not know, and no one seems to be able to tell. Now a word with respect to the legal aspect of a license in Pennsylvania. It is asserted that this is taking property without compensation. Why, every one knows, who knows anything about the law, that every license in Pennsylvania rests upon the will of the judge and if he refuses it, all the property rights in that license are destroyed once and for all.

Then for a long time in Pennsylvania the privilege of selling liquor has never been an asset for the payment of debts. If a man goes into bankruptcy it has been decided by the Supreme Court of the United States that he cannot be compelled to transfer to his trustees in bankruptcy the privilege of selling liquor; it is a personal privilege. Ever since Pennsylvania has been a province liquor and the selling of it has been recognized as something that required and demanded regulation. Now, local option as presented to you is a method of regulation. It does not fix anything for all time. The Legislature meets every two years; the time a county may be voted dry is limited by this bill to three years, and if the people of any county want to change the method of regulation at any time they can do so upon twenty-five per cent. of them petitioning for an election. Is there any particular hardship in that? Is there anything unreasonable? Is there anything fixed? My friend, the gentleman from Philadelphia who just preceded me demonstrated to the satisfaction of every man in this House that the granting or refusing of licenses is not a proper duty to attach to the judges of this State. He spoke of the back-stairs methods; that some people have used when licenses have been refused. You all know in your communities the same back-stairs methods are used by people who want licenses granted. The citizens of Philadelphia are about to present a bill, I am told by the press, to relieve the judges of this disagreeable and non-judicial duty of granting or refusing a license. That is a proper bill, if it is made State-wide, and ought to be passed by this House, and that is one of the biggest reasons for supporting this local option bill. As was said by the gentleman from Allegheny, there is a tendency of putting inferior men in the office of Judge because they are elected, possibly in some cases, with respect to one day in the year and irrespective of their qualifications for office. There is no desire on the part of those supporting this bill or a great majority of them, to coerce any county of this State. The county is a proper unit because law is administered in this State by counties. The district attorneys are elected by counties; the judges are elected by counties and if a county votes to have no license you can depend upon it that it will elect a district attorney who will see to the enforcement of that law, and that is the reason for the county unit.

There is no desire on my part or on the part of most of those who support this bill to make the Beautiful City of Reading exist without beer and pretzels; there is no desire on our part to stop the cabarets in Philadelphia where the gentleman who just preceded me lives. There is no desire for this unless the people of Philadelphia and Berks County want it and the same with the coal regions. I submit that while judges of this Commonwealth will abuse the judicial prerogative by arbitrarily refusing licenses as they have a right to do nevertheless, there are some in some of the counties being human, who go too far the other way. Where a saloon license is granted to every couple hundred inhabitants it becomes a drain on the community and is not productive of law and order. Now, Mr. Speaker, I want to mention one thing: There is said by the men engaged in the liquor business of Pennsylvania and they say it openly and above board; and they say it by placards in the front of their places of business that certain men high in political life in Pennsylvania are the friends of saloons. I say, you can gather evidence of that same thing that their is an unholy alliance between the liquor dealers of this State and certain politicians of this State, and I submit that this does not make for the public good. I submit that things are done by reason of men being elected to office by the influence of those engaged in and supporting the liquor traffic and I submit that unfit men are often elected to office. You all know that during the last gubernatorial election the men who were running for Governor, without exception, declared for local option, and you will have the same spectacle the next time and the political leaders who think they can control particular individuals who may be picked for the executive office will tip off the liquor dealers association and tell them that they will be safe and all right just the same as they were tipped off quietly with respect to the present Governor but it seems to have been a mistake. I cannot do better than close this argument by a quotation from The Anti-Prohibition Manual of 1916 of which every member of this House has received a copy. I was very much impressed by the remarks of the gentleman from Warren and I happened to remember this little publication which I had examined with some care. I found in that publication which is marked "Price 10 Cents," but is distributed to the members of the trade, free, for the purpose of educating the people of the Commonwealth and we find this quoted there as an argument. It has the O. K. of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association of America and every member here who is supporting and in accord with that association and go along, know what this little book says. Discussing the prohibition cause, Ex-President Taft's remarks are printed in this book. He says this:

"Therefore, I am opposed to either saloonkeeper rule or to the extreme of prohibition.

"Now, let's have a system of local option where in a community they will support the enforcement of law.

"Let us deal with the matter in a common sense way. Let us deal with human nature as it is. Understand what the conditions are and then adopt the laws to ameliorate them. Do not put a lot of laws on our statute books that we know in our hearts we can't enforce—just an attempt to fool the people.

"It is true that it is pretty hard to steer a medium line. It is pretty hard to recognize abuse and attempt to restrain on the one hand and on the other, to use some remedy that is impossible and an extreme and to attempt to enforce the same."

The Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association prints that and circulates it as an argument. I hope you will all vote for this bill.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Vickerman and Mr. Ramsey.

Mr. VICKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask for a verification of the roll.

The SPEAKER. The roll will be verified.

The roll was verified as follows:

YEAS—72.

Aston,	Dewey,	Marvin,	Rudisill,
Barner,	Drake,	McCullough,	Sampsel,
Benchoff,	Eby,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	McKay,	Showalter,
Black,	Gormley,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollingsworth,	Mitchell,	Stites,
Canon,	Horne,	Morgan, T.,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Isherwood,	Morgan, T. J.,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Jack,	Musser,	Walker,
Cook,	Jennings,	Ogden,	Wallace,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Phillips,	Walter,
Cox,	Lanius,	Reichenbacker,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Lewis,	Rich,	Wood,
Dell,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wylie,

NAYS—127.

Albee,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Aron,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Arthur,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Baker,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Baldi,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Milner,	Sones,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Murdoch,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Murphy,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Graham,	Neary,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Palmer,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Patterson,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Perry,	Sterling,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Heyburn,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Clements,	Hibshman,	Reitzel,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Hollern,	Reynolds,	Swartz,
Crosby,	Horton,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Taylor,
Cummins,	Hough,	Richards,	Thomas,
Curry,	Howarth,	Ringler,	Ulsh,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rininger,	Urich,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Vogdes,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wells,
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	West,
Dunn,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wickman,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Williams, J. P.,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wobensmith,
Fackler,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Woodward,
Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Shunk,	Zanders,
Flynn,	Mearkle,	Simpson,	Baldwin,
Fowler,	Mehring,	Sinclair,	Speaker.

So the question was determined in the negative and the bill falls.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

The SPEAKER asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for tomorrow.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was twice read as follows:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, March 27, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April second, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April second, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 249

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the

amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions" approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act' approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

House Bill No. 533

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three" as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita

House Bill No. 177

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadelphia

with the information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 57

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs making an appropriation for the work of revising compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing and mounting the same and for paper

House Bill No. 120

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen defining their powers and duties providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen

House Bill No. 286

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H Woodhead of Philadelphia an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch deceased

House Bill No. 324

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department

House Bill No. 366

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company Edward L Keane Secretary of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury

House Bill No. 432

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

House Bill No. 618

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada

Senate Bill No. 190

An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of saving banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein

Senate Bill No. 191

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings, and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes, approved the 13th day of May, A. D. 1915, and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products, or roofing felt, roofing materials and building papers, or products and by products of coal and asphalt."

Senate Bill No. 188

An Act authorizing executors administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements

Senate Bill No. 126

An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof

Senate Bill No. 96

An Act to amend section nine of Article VII of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

Senate Bill No. 189

An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements

Senate Bill No. 57

An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 2.40 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, March 28, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we have learned by experience that it is good for us to put our trust in Thee. We thank Thee for the presence of Thy spirit among us creating a spirit of good fellowship. We ask that it may be our great desire in life to live and let others live, and to create so far as we possibly can a spirit of brotherhood among all men. We pray Thee to so guide this distinguished body that they in all their deliberations may have the highest and best interests of this great Commonwealth at heart. Be with us in all the affairs of our lives. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. VARE, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SEMMENS, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act amending sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, twelve and fifteen of an act, repealing section fourteen of said act, and supplementing said act, approved the third day of June, 1911 (Pamphlet Laws 658), entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal; defining his powers and duties; providing for his compensation, and the maintenance of his office; giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority, and to review his orders; and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire-waste;" changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention; providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention, and fixing their salaries, fees, powers and duties; authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives inflammable and combustible products and substances; authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in connection therewith, and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner and officers under him, the power of police officers and constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants; and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fire; providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction, removal and repair of dangerous buildings, premises and property, and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases, from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority; requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 588, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State Fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 698, entitled

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names, styles or titles identical with or similar to the names, styles or titles of State boards, commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names, styles or titles, where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations, and those of said State boards, commissions or other activities.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 706, entitled

An Act to fix the pay and mileage of witnesses and jurors in actions before magistrates, aldermen and justices of the peace.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. NASON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 707, entitled

An Act to establish municipal courts in cities of the third class in the commonwealth; prescribing their powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McCONNELL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 708, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the 29th day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred seventy-four, providing for the incorporation and regulation of telephone companies, defining the rights, powers and privileges of such corporations; conferring upon them the right of eminent domain and regulating the exercise hereof; authorizing and regulating the purchase, acquisition and leasing of the properties, systems and securities of other like corporations, associations and persons engaged in the telephone business; authorizing existing corporations engaged in the telephone business or furnishing telephone service to accept the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 709, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the trustees of the State Asylum for the Chronic Insane of Pennsylvania, at South Mountain, Wernersville, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 710, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred seventy-six, entitled "An Act relating to appeals in cases of summary convictions."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 711, entitled

An Act authorizing Rosario Fantino, of Philadelphia, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County against the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 712, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Mount Sinai Hospital, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 595, entitled

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act in all cases in which the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth is or shall be required by existing laws to act in person under any writ of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the court of this Commonwealth the said sheriff may act either in person or by deputy duly appointed specially for such purpose

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which this bill passed third reading.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I voted aye.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I voted aye.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 2, line 3, by inserting after the word "by" the words "a regularly appointed"; also line 3, by striking out the words "duly appointed especially for such purposes" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sheriff".

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 255, entitled

An Act to fix the time for filing nomination papers for State and municipal officers and for the determination by the courts on contested papers

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,			

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 256, entitled

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four and paragraph one of section five of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective officers of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
			Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 257, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National Party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses, provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the 12th day of July, A. D. 1913, so as to change the time of filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 258, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens Pennsylvania for moneys erroneously paid into the State Treasury

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 304 (House Bill No. 267), as follows:

An Act to amend sections one two three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for affecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

Section 1 That section 1 of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial-ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding fifty ($50.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners of each county in this State are hereby authorized and directed to expend the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00) toward the funeral expenses of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death

Section 2 That section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 It shall be the duty of the persons so appointed in each city township borough and ward on each county before assuming the charge and expense of the burial of the body of any deceased soldier sailor or marine under the provisions of this act first to satisfy themselves by a careful inquiry into and examination of all the circumstances in the case of such deceased soldier sailor or marine whose body they are called upon to bury that he served in the army or navy of the United States during a war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and died in their county or having died beyond their county shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death whereupon if they are satisfied that such facts exist they shall take charge of the body of such deceased soldier sailor or marine and cause it to be buried in the manner mentioned in the first section of this act and thereupon they shall immediately report their action in the case to the county commissioners of their county setting forth the facts ascertained by them together with the name rank and command to which such deceased soldier sailor or marine belonged at the time of his service the character of his occupation immediately preceding his death the date of his death and place of burial and also an accurately itemized statement of the expenses incurred in and about the said burial which report shall be duly attested by three reputable persons of full age who have knowledge of the facts" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners before making any payment for the funeral expenses for the burial of the body of any deceased soldier sailor or marine under the provisions of this act first to satisfy themselves by a careful inquiry into and examination of all the circumstances in the case of such deceased soldier sailor or marine that he served in the army or navy of the United States during a war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and died in their county or having died beyond their county shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death

Section 3 That section three of said act which reads as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the said sum of fifty ($50.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to draw a warrant upon the treasurer of their county in the sum of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars for each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable only to the person or persons who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn

Section 4 That section four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 4 All public officers agents and servants and all officers agents and servants of any county city township borough district or other municipality or of any almshouse prison morgue hospital home or other public insti-

tution having the control over the body of a deceased honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine whose body is entitled to be buried under the provisions of this act shall immediately on the death of any such soldier sailor and marine notify the person or persons in the immediate or adjoining district who has or have been appointed by the county commissioners under the provisions of this act to take charge of the burial of such honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines of the death of such soldier sailor and marine whereupon it shall be the duty of the said person or persons to take charge of the said body and bury it in accordance with the provisions of this act" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 All public officers agents and servants and all officers agents and servants of any county city township borough district or other municipality or of any almshouse prison morgue hospital home or other public institution having the control or custody of the body of any deceased honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine whose body is entitled to be buried under the provisions of this act shall immediately upon the death of any such soldier sailor or marine notify the county commissioners of said county wherein such death may have occurred

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 305 (House Bill No. 268), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 333, on third reading, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the Police Department in cities of the third class providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 346, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring certain counties in certain instances to assist townships in the construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of main travel or trunk roads other than State or State-aid highways and providing the method of procedure.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 361 (House Bill No. 319), entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SEMMENS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 388 (House Bill No. 375), on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand two hundred and ten and to repeal sections one thousand two hundred and eleven, one thousand two hundred and thirteen and two thousand eight hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Affairs for the purpose of amendment so that it will go into effect on the first of January instead of the time designated in this bill, as we have no money to provide for extra firemen during this year.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, if the purpose of the Senator from Philadelphia is to have the bill amended so as to make it effective on the first of January, 1918, why not do it on the floor of the Senate now, with the permission of the Senate, and allow the bill to go through on its final passage on Monday night? The bill can be amended with unanimous consent and can retain its place on the calendar on final passage on Monday evening. I have no objection to the bill going into effect on the first day of January, but if it is for any other amendment I would like to know just what the amendments are.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I am not in the habit of making a statement on this floor that a bill is to be committed for one purpose when the intention is something else. I am absolutely not opposed in any way to its being amended on the floor or any other place and I stated on this floor the reasons why I asked this bill to go to a committee or be amended in any way. It is for that reason and for no other, and I resent Senator McNichol's saying that it might be for some other purpose when it is not for some other purpose and he knows better than that.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President I am surprised that the Senator has misconstrued my suggestion that if there is any other purpose I would like to know, because the reference to the further amendment is just for information. I am not in the habit of charging any Senator on the floor of this Senate with misrepresenting facts either for making a motion or anything affecting any particular bill, and I only suggested it as a remedy for the purpose of dispatching the passage of this bill, a suggestion that might be followed by the Senator to save time and to permit the bill to retain its place on the calendar. If there was anything offensive in my remarks it was not my intention that they should be so, because I am not in the habit of attempting to curtail the Senator or dictate what he should do in any matter.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I made that motion at the request of the Firemen's Committee themselves, that this bill be amended so that it would go into effect on the first of January, 1918, because they know as well as Senator McNichol knows and as well as I know that there is no money in Philadelphia now to add to the number of firemen that have already been provided for; I have not the slightest objection to amending it here on the floor or in committee; it is horse and horse with me.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, at the request of the Senator from Philadelphia I acquiesce in the suggestion that the bill be amended. I ask that the bill go over in its order for the present to give the Senator from Philadelphia an opportunity to prepare the amendments and then ask for unanimous consent to have it incorporated in the bill.

The PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare, insist upon his motion?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I do not.

The PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Jenkins, withdraw his second?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I do.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the request of the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, that the bill go over in its order? The Chair hears none.

Mr. R. E. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 632, on third reading, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof, conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provision of this act" as amended.

go over in its order. This bill has not been placed upon my desk.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I object, unless the Senator from Crawford gives some reason.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair desires to state for the information of the Senator from Chester that the bill is not up from the printer, and has not been laid on the desk of the Senators.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, then I have no objection.

Mr. R. E. SMITH. Mr. President, for the information of the Senator from Chester, I will say I did make the explanation that the bill was not upon my desk. Possibly it may not have been heard.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I did not hear the reason.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 650, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to A. K. Cassel for services rendered as Deputy Commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sones,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Sproul,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Daix,	Jones,	Salus,	Tompkins,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,

Endsley,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Graff, J. F.,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 257, on page 2 to-day's calendar entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National Party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States, and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State Committee of a political party to make and alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein, and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen, so as to change the time of filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 257, as follows

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation" approved the twelfth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties providing and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers including State committeemen a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation approved the twelfth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 That hereafter all candidates of political parties as herein defined for the office of United States Senator for the office of Representative in Congress for all elective State county city ward borough township school district and election division or district offices and for all other elective public offices except that of presidential elector shall be nominated and delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and State committeemen shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act and in no other manner All such party officers as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by the vote of the party electors shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act excepting members of the National committee who shall be elected as hereinafter provided In the years when candidates for the office of President of the United States are to be nominated every qualified elector of a political party herein defined to be a political party within the State shall have opportunity at the primaries held in such years subject to the provisions of this act to vote his preference for one person to be the candidate of his political party for President This act shall not apply to the nomination of candidates to be voted for at special elections to fill vacancies except when such special election is held at the time of a regular election and such vacancy occurred or existed at least sixty days prior to the regular primary antecedent to such regular election and nothing herein contained shall prevent any body of electors not constituting a political party from nominating candidates by nomination papers as is now or may hereafter be provided by law

The State committee of each political party may make such rules for the government of such State committee not inconsistent with law as it may deem expedient and may also revoke or alter or amend in any manner not inconsistent with law any present or future rules of such State committee

National committeemen shall be elected by the State committee of each respective party unless the rules of the national party otherwise provided in which case they shall be elected in the manner provided by the rules of the national party and all State committeemen shall be elected by Senatorial districts Each Senatorial district shall be entitled to elect two members of the State committee except where a Senatorial district is composed of more than one county or part of a county in which event the electors residing in each county or part of a county embraced in the said senatorial district shall be entitled to elect one State committeeman The State committeemen thus elected shall meet for organization not later than the third Wednesday following their election at such hour and place as shall be designated by the State chairman of each respective party The said State committeemen shall be elected at the fall primary in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified at the spring primary of the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen Provided however That where the existing rules of a party provide for the election of State committeemen by the county committeemen of the respective counties in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen the State Committeemen so elected shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified under the provisions of this act at the spring primary in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen Thereafter the said State committeemen of all parties shall be elected at the spring primary

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of National committeemen shall be filled by the State committee of the respective party unless the rules of the National party otherwise provide in which case vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided by the rules of the National party

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of State committeeman shall be filled by the city or county committee of the respective parties Provided That when said vacancy occurs in a county composed of more than one Senatorial district the members of the city or county committee embraced within the Senatorial district in said county shall elect said committeeman and when a vacancy occurs in a Senatorial district composed of more than one county or part of a county the members of the county committee embraced within said county or part of a county shall elect said committeeman" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 That hereafter all candidates of political parties as herein defined for the office of United States Senator for the office of Representative in Congress for all elective State county city ward borough township school district and election division or district offices and for all other elective public offices except that of presidential elector shall be nominated and delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and State committeemen shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act and in no other manner. All such party officers as are required by the rules of the several political parties to be elected by the vote of the party electors shall be elected at primaries held in accordance with the provisions of this act excepting members of the National committee who shall be elected as hereinafter provided In the years when candidates for the office of President of the United States are to be nominated every qualified elector of a political party herein defined to be a political party within the State shall have opportunity at the primaries held in such years subject to the provisions of this act to vote his preference for one person to be the candidate of his political party for President This act shall not apply to the nomination of candidates to be voted for at special elections to fill vacancies except when such special election is held at the time of a regular election and such vacancy occurred or existed at least sixty days prior to the regular primary antecedent to such regular election and nothing herein contained shall prevent any body of electors not constituting a political party from nominating candidates by nomination papers as is now or may hereafter be provided by law

The State committee of each political party may make such rules for the government of such State committee not inconsistent with law as it may deem expedient and may also revoke or alter or amend in any manner not inconsistent with law any present or future rules of such State committee

National committeemen shall be elected by the State committee of each respective party unless the rules of the National party otherwise provide in which case they shall be elected in the manner provided by the rules of the National Party and all State committeemen shall be elected by Senatorial districts Each Senatorial district shall be entitled to elect two members of the State committee except where a Senatorial district is composed of more than one county or part of a county in which event the electors residing in each county or part of a county embraced in the said

senatorial district shall be entitled to elect one State committeeman The State committeemen thus elected shall meet for organization not later than the fifth Wednesday following their election at such hour and place as shall be designated by the State chairman of each respective party The said State committeemen of all parties shall be elected at the spring primary

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of National committeeman shall be filled by the State committee of the respective party unless the rules of the National party otherwise provide in which case vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided by the rules of the national party

Vacancies happening at any time in the office of State committeeman shall be filled by the city or county committee of the respective parties Provided That when said vacancy occurs in a county composed of more than one Senatorial district the members of the city or county committee embraced within the Senatorial district in said county shall elect said committeeman and when a vacancy occurs in a Senatorial district composed of more than one county or part of a county the members of the county committee embraced within said county or part of a county shall elect said committeeman

Section 2 That section six of the said act which reads as follows

"Section 6 The names of candidates for nomination as President of the United States and the names of all other party candidates shall be printed upon the official ballot of a designated party upon the filing of nomination petitions in their behalf signed by qualified electors of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be within which the nomination is to be made or election is to be held and the filing of affidavits by the candidates as provided in this act and the names of no candidates shall be printed upon an official ballot of a political party to be used at any primary unless such petitions shall have been filed and unless such candidates except they be candidates for the offices of President of the United States shall have filed affidavits as hereinafter provided

(a) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such petition for each office to be filed and shall declare therein that he is a member of the party designated in such petition Provided however That where there are to be elected two or more persons to the same office each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for such office as and no more than he could vote for at the succeeding election He shall also declare therein that he is a qualified elector of the county therein named and in case the nomination is not to be made or candidates are not to be elected by the electors of the State at large of the political district or division therein named in which the nomination is to be made or the election is to be held He shall add his occupation and residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any and shall also add the date of signing No nomination petition shall be circulated prior to sixty (60) days before the last day on which such petition may be filed and no signature shall be counted unless it bears date within sixty (60) days of the last day for filing the same

Said nomination petition may be on one or more sheets and different sheets must be used for signers resident in different counties Each sheet shall have appended thereto the affidavit of some person—not necessarily a signer and not necessarily the same person on each sheet—setting forth that the affiant is a qualified elector of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be referred to in said petition his residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any that the signers signed with full knowledge of the contents the petition that their respective residences are correctly stated therein that they all reside in he county named in the affidavit and that each signed on the date set opposite his name and that to the best of affiant's knowledge and belief the signers are qualified electors and members of the designated party of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be

(b)Each candidate for any State county or city office shall file with his nomination petition his affidavit stating his residence with street and number if any and his post-office address his election district the name of the office for which he consents to be a candidate that he is eligible for such office and that he will not knowingly violate any election law or any law regulating and limiting nomination and election expenses and prohibiting corrupt practices in connection therewith Provided That in no event shall any persons's name be printed upon the official ballot of any party as a delegate State commiteeman National committeeman or party officer unless he is a qualified elector of said party

In the case of a candidate for nomination as President of the United States it shall not be necessary for such candidate to file the affidavit required in this section to be filed by candidates but the post-office address of such candidate shall be stated in such nomination petition

(c) Each candidate for election as delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention may include with his affidavit the statement hereinafter set forth in this section but his failure to include such statement shall not be a valid ground on the part of the Secretary of the Commonwealth for refusal to receive and file his nomination petition Such statement if any be made shall be in substantially the following form

DELEGATE'S STATEMENT

I hereby declare to the voters of my political party in the (here insert "State of Pennsylvania" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") that if elected and in attendance as a delegate to the National convention of the party I shall with all fidelity to the best of my judgment and ability in all matters coming before the convention support that candidate for President of the United States who shall have received the highest number of votes cast in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... .....District") by the voters of my party for said office at the ensuing primary and shall use all honorable means within my power to aid in securing the nomination for such candidate for President

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(Signature of candidate for delegate or alternate delegate)

On the ballot used at a primary after or under the name of each candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention shall appear the words "Promises to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President" or "Does not promise to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President" according as if the candidate included or failed to include the above statement with his affidavit" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 6 The names of candidates for nomination as President of the United States and the names of all other party candidates shall be printed upon the official ballot of a designated party upon the filing of nomination petitions in their behalf signed by qualified electors of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be within which the nomination is to be made or election is to be held and the filing of affidavits by the candidates as provided in this act and the names of no candidates shall be printed upon an official ballot of a political party to be used at a primary unless such petitions shall have been filed and unless such candidates except they be candidates for the office of President of the United States shall have filed affidavits as hereinafter provided

(a) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such petition for each office to be filed and shall declare therein that he is a member of the party designated in such petition Provided however that where there are to be elected two or more persons to the same office each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for such office as and no more than he could vote for at the succeeding election He shall also declare therein that he is a qualified elector of the county therein named and in case the nomination is not to be made or candidates are not to be elected by the electors of the State at large of the political district or division therein named in which the nomination is to be made or the election is to be held He shall add his occupation and residence giving city borough or township with street and number if any and shall also add the date of signing No nomination petition shall be circulated prior to forty (40) days before the last day on which such petition may be filed and no signature shall be counted unless it bears date wtihin forty (40) days of the last day for filing the same

Said nomination petition may be on one or more sheets and different sheets must be used for signers resident in different counties Each sheet shall have appended thereto the affidavit of some person not necessarily a signer and not necessarily the same person on each sheet setting forth that the affiant is a qualified elector of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be referred to in said petition his residence giving city borough or township wtih street and number if any that the signers signed with full knowledge of the contents of the petition that their respective residences are correctly stated therein that they all reside in the county named in the affidavit and that each signed on the date set opposite his name and that to the best of affiant's knowledge and belief the signers are qualified electors and members of the designated party of the State or of the political district or division as the case may be

(b) Each candidate for any State county or city office shall file with his nomination petition his affidavit stating his residence with street and number if any and his post-office address his election district the name of the office for which he consents to be a candidate that he is eligible for such office and that he will not knowingly violate any election law or any law regulating and limiting nomination and election expenses and prohibiting corrupt practices in connection therewith Provided That in no event shall any persons name be printed upon the official ballot of any party as a delegate State committeeman National committeeman or party officer unless he is a qualified elector of said party

In the case of a candidate for nomination as President of the United States it shall not be necessary for such candidate to file the affidavit required in this section to be filed by candidates but the post-office address of such candidate shall be stated in such nomination petition

(c) Each candidate for election as delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention may include with his affidavit the statement hereinafter set forth in this section but his failure to include such statement shall not be a valid ground on the part of the Secretary of the Commonwealth for refusal to receive and file his nomination petition Such statement if any be made shall be in substantially the following form

DELEGATE'S STATEMENT

I hereby declare to the voters of my political party in the (here insert "State of Pennsylvania" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") that if elected and in atendance as a delegate to the National convention of the party I shall with all fidel-

ity to the best of my judgment and ability in all matters coming before the convention support that candidate for President of the United States who shall have received the highest number of votes cast in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") by the voters of my party for said office at the ensuing primary and shall use all honorable means within my power to aid in securing the nomination for such candidate for President

.....

(Signature of candidate for delegate or alternate delegate)

On the ballot used at a primary after or under the name of each candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention shall appear the words "Promises to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President or "does not promise to support popular choice of party in the (here insert "State" if a delegate or alternate delegate at large otherwise insert "..... District") for President" according as if the candidate included or failed to include the above statement with his affidavit

Section 3 That section seven of the said act which reads as follows

"Section 7 The nomination petitions in the case of candidates for the office of President of the United States Senator of the United States members of the House of Representatives of the United States for all State offices for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention and for the office of member of the State or National committee shall be filed at least four weeks prior to the primary wtih the Secretary of the Commonwealth Nomination petitions in all other cases shall be filed at least three weeks prior to the primary with the county commissioners of the respective counties

Nomination petitions of candidates shall be signed—

(a) If for the office of President of the United States or of Senator of the United States by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least ten counties of the State

(b) If for a State office to be filled by a vote of the electors of the State at large for the office of Representative from the State at large in the Congress of the United States for the office of delegate or alternate delegate at large to a National party convention or for the office of member of the National committee by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least five counties of the State

(c) If for the office of a member of the House of Representatives of the United States to be filled by a vote of the electors of a Congressional district or of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention other than delegate or alternate delegate at large or of judge of any court other than a court whose judges are to be elected by a vote of the electors of the State at large or of State Senator by at least two hundred qualified electors

(d) If for the office of a member of the State House of Representatives or for the office of member of the State committee or an office to be voted for by the electors of the entire county by at least one hundred qualified electors

(e) If for the office of inspector of election at least five qualified electors

(f) And for all other offices and all other party offices by at least ten qualified electors" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 The nomination petitions in the case of candidates for the office of President of the United States Senator of the United States member of the House of Representatives of the United States for all State offices for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention and for the office of member of the State or National committee shall be filed at least forty days prior to the primary with the Secretary of the Commonwealth Nomination petitions in all other cases shall be filed at least four weeks prior to the primary with the county commissioners of the respective counties

Nomination petiions of candidates shall be signed—

(a) If for the office of President of the United States or of Senator of the United States by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least ten counties of the State

(b) If for a State office to be filled by a vote of the electors of the State at large for the office of Representative from the State at large in the Congress of the United States for the office of delegate or alternate delegate at large to a National party convention or for the office of member of the National committee by at least one hundred qualified electors in each of at least five counties of the State

(c) If for the office of a member of the House of Representatives of the United States to be filled by a vote of the electors of a Congressional district or of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention other than delegate or alternate delegate at large or of judge of any court other than a court whose judges are to be elected by a vote of the electors of the State at large or of State Senator by at least two hundred qualified electors

(d) If for the office of a member of the State House of Representatives or for the office of member of the State Committee or an office to be voted for by the electors of the entire county by at least one hundred qualified electors

(e) If for the office of inspector of election at least five qualified electors

(f) And for all other offices and all other party offices by at least ten qualified electors

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—39.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Beales,	Hackett,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION FOR CERTAIN INFORMATION.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Whereas, The General Assembly on January 29th, 1917, adopted a Concurrent Resolution directing that the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should furnish, not later than March 1st, 1917, full information regarding the items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the State Government for the appropriation period ending May 31st, 1917, together with the amount expended from such appropriations up to December 31st, 1916, and the estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the State Government for the two years beginning June 1st, 1917, and

Whereas, The said Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has not at the present time, almost one month later than the date set by the previous resolution, furnished the General Assembly or the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives such information as would assist in the completion of the fiscal legislation necessary to be enacted at this session of the Legislature, and the work of the Legislature and its Committees has thereby been hindered and delayed.

Therefore be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the said Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby directed to complete its report and send the same to both branches of the Legislature not later than Monday, April 2nd, 1917, together with the facts, data and information accompanying the same upon which said report is based, and in case of the failure or refusal of the said Economy and Efficiency Commission to complete and send its report as aforesaid, that the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives are hereby instructed to proceed with the preparation and introduction of the General Appropriation bill without further delay, and to obtain the necessary information by public hearings or otherwise which will enable them to proceed with the work with which they are entrusted.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I hope this resolution will pass; it is just a fair request for the Senate and House to make of the Efficiency Commission. We ought to have that report.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 632, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of

a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties of townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties or authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township boroughs or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 632, as follows

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over the same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township boroughs or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kinds of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of townships or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" as amended by an act approved the eleventh day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws fifty-nine) and further amended by an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and ninety-one) which reads as follows

"Where a turnpike toll-road or toll-bridge company or other private corporation shall own or control the whole or any part of a road route or bridge forming all or any portion of a State highway as hereinbefore described and defined it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement to purchase said turnpike toll-road or such part thereof or toll-bridge owned by such company or corporation and if a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor for said road or part thereof or toll-bridge cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to petition the court of quarter sessions of the county in which the State highway or any part thereof owned or controlled by said turnpike company bridge company or other private corporation is located setting forth that such turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge is a State highway within the designation and description of this act and that no agreement as to price or damage can be reached and thereupon said court shall appoint a jury of view consisting of five reputable citizens of the county in which the road or part thereof or toll-bridge is located and the said jury having been sworn or affirmed to perform their duties faithfully justly and impartially shall after due notice to the company or corporation and the State Highway Commissioner view and condemn the said turnpike toll-road or highway or part thereof or toll-bridge as a State highway or part thereof and shall appraise and report the damages which the owner or owners shall be entitled to receive therefor And for the purpose of appraising the damages as aforesaid the said jury shall first hear evidence on the part of the said owner or owners and afterwards shall hear evidence on the part of the State Highway Commissioner after which evidence shall be heard in rebuttal and in sur-rebuttal as prescribed for trials at law Said report shall be presented for confirmation nisi at the term of said court next succeeding said appraisement and view unless by order of said court the same be continued to a later term and if no exceptions are filed thereto said report shall at the expiration of thirty days after confirmation nisi be confirmed absolutely and an appeal therefrom by the Commonwealth or the company or corporation shall lie to the court of common pleas of said county within thirty days after confirmation absolute and upon issue framed by the court of common pleas the

damages shall then be ascertain as in similar cases subject to an appeal to the Superior or Supreme courts as the case may be The said court of quarter sessions may in its discretion appoint a competent stenographer to keep a faithful record of all proceedings before the viewers and to furnish a full copy of his notes to be attached to and form a part of the record And the said stenographer shall be allowed the same compensation as that paid in their respective county to court stenographers and each viewer shall be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each day necessarily employed which together with the compensation allowed the said stenographer shall be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding and be paid as hereinafter provided Immediately upon agreement reached or upon completion of any court proceedings and acceptance of the appraisement or verdict by the Commissioner the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses of proceedings in condemnation and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls Provided That if the amount of damages as finally awarded shall be deemed excessive by the State Highway Commissioner he may refuse to accept the appraisement or verdict and may then omit said turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge from the aforesaid route of State highway and all court costs and costs of jury proceedings shall thereupon be paid by the State Highway Department and by necessary divergence therefrom he may select and adopt the next best and most suitable and convenient route or road in order to connect up and complete a continuous State highway and thereafter such diverged route or road shall be taken and remain and be as much a part of the State highways of the Commonwealth as though otherwise particularly described in this act Provided further That at any time during the proceedings in condemnation after the filing of the original petition of the State Highway Commissioner the said Highway Commissioner with the consent and approval of the Governor may after ten days' written notice to the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge present to the said court of quarter sessions of the proper county a declaration of his intention to immediately enter upon and take the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and to pay or cause to be paid to the said owner or owners such amount of damages as shall be assessed in the manner provided for by this act and all costs and expense of the said proceedings which declaration shall contain a certificate of State Highway Commissioner that sufficient funds to pay all possible damages costs and expenses of said proceedings have been appropriated by the Legislature and are available for this specific purpose and upon presentation of said declaration the said court shall mark the same filed of record in said proceedings whereupon the funds in the hands of the State Highway Commissioner or in the State Treasury and specifically appropriated to the use of the State Highway Commissioner shall be pledged and deemed as security for all damages done or suffered or which shall accrue by reason of the taking of said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall immediately become a State Hiighway or part thereof free from tolls and the same may then be improved and maintained by the State Highway Commissioner in the manner provided by this act and upon completion of the proceedings in condemnation the State Highway Commissioner shall accept the appraisement and verdict and the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses and in case the said damages and costs and expenses are not paid within thirty days from the final adjudication and judgment thereon the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge may enforce the same by payment of the same by writ of mandamus which shall be issued by the court of common pleas of the county in which the seat of government is or may be located and shall be proceeded in as provided by law And provided further That where an existing turnpike or toll-roads or parts thereof or toll-bridges owned by turnpike or toll-bridge companies or private corporations shall be or form any part of any State highway hereinbefore designated described or defined the same are not hereby immediately taken over for improvement or repair but the purchase thereof shall be deferred by the State Highway Commissioner and the same shall remain and be operated and controlled by the owners thereof as heretofore until such time as the work of improvement of all other State highways and parts or portions thereof shall have been completed And provided further If in the judgment of the State Highway Commissioner local or special conditions of any of said turnpikes or toll-roads or any part or parts thereof or toll-bridges are such as tend to interfere with or inconvenience travel thereon and shall sooner require the purchase improvement and control thereof by the State then upon the approval of the Governor such turnpike or turnpikes toll-road or toll-roads or part or parts thereof or toll-bridge or toll-bridges so affected by such local or special conditions shall be taken over in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided however That the county or counties in which any such toll-bridge or bridges is located shall pay at least one-half of the expense of freeing such toll-bridge or bridges" be further amended to read as follows

Section 9 Where a turnpike toll-road or toll-bridge company or other private corporation shall own or control the whole or any part of a road route or bridge forming all or any portion of a State highway as hereinbefore described and defined it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement to purchase said turnpike toll-road or such part thereof or toll-bridge owned by such company or corporation and if a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor for said road or part thereof or toll-bridge cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to petition the court of quarter sessions of the county in which the State highway or any part thereof owned or controlled by said turnpike company bridge company or other private corporation is located setting forth that such turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge is a State highway within the designation and description of this act and that no agreement as to price or damage can be reached and thereupon said court shall appoint a jury of view consisting of five reputable citizens of the county in which the road or part thereof or toll-bridge is located and the paid jury having been sworn or affirmed to perform their duties faithfully justly and impartially shall after due notice to the company or corporation and the State Highway Commissioner view and condemn the said turnpike toll-road or highway or part thereof or toll-bridge as a State highway or part thereof and shall appraise and report the damages which the owner or owners shall be entitled to receive therefor And for the purpose of appraising the damages as aforesaid the said jury shall first hear evidence on the part of the said owner or owners and afterwards shall hear evidence on the part of the State Highway Commissioner after which evidence shall be heard in rebuttal and in sur-rebuttal as prescribed for trials at law Said report shall be presented for confirmation nissi at the term of said court next succeeding said appraisement and view unless by order of said court the same be continued to a later term and if no exceptions are filed thereto said report shall at the expiration of thirty days after confirmation nisi be confirmed absolutely and an appeal therefrom by the Commonwealth or the company or corporation shall lie to the court of common pleas of said county within thirty days after confirmation absolute and upon issued framed by the court of common pleas the damages shall then be ascertained as in similar cases subject to an appeal to the Superior or Supreme Courts as the case may be The said court of quarter sessions may in its discretion appoint a competent stenographer to keep a faithful record of all proceedings before the viewers and to furnish a full copy of his notes to be attached to and form a part of the record And the said stenographer shall be allowed the same compensation as that paid in their respective county to court stenographers and each viewer shall be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each day necessarily employed which together with the compensation allowed the said stenographer shall be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding and be paid as hereinafter provided Immediately upon agreement reached or upon completion of any court proceedings and acceptance of the appraisement or verdict by the Commissioner the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses of proceedings in condemnation and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls Provided That if the amount of damages as finally awarded shall be deemed excessive by the State Highway Commissioner he may refuse to accept the appraisement or verdict and may then omit said turnpike or toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridgs from the aforesaid route of State highway and all court costs and costs of jury proceedings shall thereupon be paid by the State Highway Department and by necessary divergence therefrom he may select and adopt the next best and most suitable and convenient route or road in order to connect-up and complete a continuons State highway and thereafter such diverged route or road shall be taken and remain and be as much a part of the State highways of the Commonwealth as though otherwise particularly described in this act Provided further That at any time during the proceedings in condemnation after the filing of the original petition of the State Highway Commissioner The said State Highway Commaissioner with the consent and approval of the Governor may after ten days' written notice to the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge present to the said court of quarter sessions of the proper county a declaration of his intention to immediately enter upon and take the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and to pay or cause to be paid to the said owner or owners such amount of damages as shall be assessed in the manner provided for by this act and all costs and expenses of the said proceedings which declaration shall contain a certificate of State Highway Commissioner that sufficient funds to pay all possible damages costs and expenses of said proceedings have been appropriated by the Legislature and are available for this specific purpose and upon presentation of said declaration the said court shall mark the same filed of record in said proceedings whereupon the funds in the hands of the State Highway Commissioner or in the State Treasury and specifically appropriated to the use of the State Highway Commissioner shall be pledged and deemed as security for all damages done or suffered or which shall accrue by reason of the taking of said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge and the said turnpike toll-road or part thereof or toll-bridge shall immediately become a State highway or part thereof free from tolls and the same may then be improved and maintained by the State Highway Commissioner in the manner provided by this act and upon completion of the proceedings in condemnation the State Highway Commissioner shall accept the appraisement and verdict and the damages so determined or awarded shall be paid by the Commonwealth together with the costs and expenses and in case the said damages and costs and

expenses are not paid within thirty days from the final adjudication and judgment thereon the owner or owners of said turnpike toll-road highway or toll-bridge may enforce the same by payment of the same by writ of mandamus which shall be issued by the court of common pleas of the county in which the seat of government is or may be located and shall be proceeded in as provided by law And provided further That where an existing turnpike or toll-roads or parts thereof or toll-bridges owned by turnpike or toll-bridge companies or private corporations shall be or form any part of any State highway hereinbefore designated described or defined the same are not hereby immediately taken over for improvement or repair but the purchase thereof shall be deferred by the State Highway Commissioner and the same shall remain and be operated and controlled by the owners thereof as heretofore until such time as the work of improvement of all other State highways and parts or portions thereof shall have been completed And provided further If in the judgment of the State Highway Commissioner local or special conditions of any of said turnpikes or toll-roads or any part or parts thereof or toll-bridges are such as tend to interfere with or inconvenience travel thereon and shall sooner require the purchase improvement and control thereof by the State then upon the approval of the Governor such turnpike or turnpikes toll-road or toll-roads or part or parts thereof or toll-bridge or toll-bridges so affected by such local or special conditions shall be taken over in accordance with the provisions of this act Provided however That the county or counties in which any such toll-bridge or bridges is located shall pay at least one-half of the expense of freeing such toll-bridge or bridges And provided further That in taking over toll-roads counties townships boroughs or incorporated towns in which toll-roads to be taken over by the State Highway Commissioner are located are hereby authorized to contribute such part of the purchase price of said road or such part of the amount to be paid as ascertained and awarded by condemnation proceedings as may be agreed upon between said county township borough or town officials and the State Highway Commissioner And provided further That nothing in this act shall in any way prohibit any county from paying in full the amount determined to be paid for any turnpike road forming a portion of a State highway route condemned by proceedings under any other act of Assembly now in force

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I have been asked by a number of members of the Senate the meaning of this bill, which has rather a formidable title, and I would like to say this is a bill prepared at the instance of the Highway Department to enable counties to join with the Highway Department in taking over toll-roads on a basis of fifty per cent. payment by the county and fifty per cent. by the Highway Department. The Highway Department entered into a contract I think in Westmoreland County taking over a toll-road by the county paying one-half the expense thereof, and the Highway Department incurring the balance of the cost. The County Comptroller found no acts of Assembly permitting counties to do this. This is simply an enabling act to permit any county to join with the Highway Department in taking over toll-roads.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 280, as follows

An Act requiring county commissioners to construct certain bridges on State highways crossing a rivulet creek or river and also a railroad track or tracks and imposing the cost of the construction and maintenance thereof on the county State and railroad company or companies in such proportions as may be determined by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever it becomes necessary to construct a new bridge on a State highway to take the place of an existing bridge crossing a rivulet creek or river and also a railroad track or tracks in any borough or township or partly in a borough and partly in a township the county commissioners shall construct such bridge as county bridges are constructed under existing laws at the joint expense of the county the State and the railroad company or companies owning or operating such track or tracks

Section 2 Such new bridge shall not be erected until the construction thereof is approved by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county as hereinafter provided upon application by the State Highway Commissioner or the county commissioners or the railroad company or companies affected thereby or any or all of them or upon the petition of not less than twenty-five inhabitants of the county

Section 3 Upon the petition of the State Highway Commissioners the county commissioners or the railroad company or companies affected thereby or any or all of them or upon the petition of not less than twenty-five inhabitants of the county the court shall appoint three viewers to view the premises in the manner provided for the opening and laying out of public roads of which at least ten days written notice shall be given the State Highway Commissioner the county commissioners and the railroad company or companies owning or operating such track or tracks and notice shall also be posted at three of the most public places in the neighborhood of such bridge The said viewers having been duly sworn according to law shall view the premises and make report whether a new bridge is necessary and if so the proportions in which the expense of the construction and maintenance thereof shall be borne by the county the State and the railroad company or companies respectively Provided That if the State Highway Commissioner the county commissioners and the railroad company or companies are able to agree as to the share or proportion of the cost of the construction and maintenance of the bridge to be borne by each the viewers shall so report

Section 4 Upon the filing of the report of the viewers it shall be confirmed nisi and notice thereof given to the petitioners and all the parties assessed with any of the costs of the construction and maintenance of said bridge or their attorneys of record If no exceptions are filed within twenty days after the filing of the report the court shall confirm it absolutely If exceptions to the report are filed within twenty days the court upon hearing may change or modify such report or refer it back to the same or new viewers or may confirm the same absolutely From any final order or decree any party interested may appeal to the Supreme or Superior Courts in the manner provided by existing laws

Section 5 In the decree of final confirmation if the report finds that a new bridge is necessary the court shall order that the bridge be erected and maintained by the county and that the State and the railroad company or companies pay to the county their respective proportions of the cost of construction and maintenance

Section 6 If any railroad company neglects or refuses to pay the amount assessed against it within sixty days after the final order of the court the county commissioners upon filing a certified copy of the report of the viewers together with the decree of the court confirming the same in the court of common pleas may collect such award by execution or other process against the railroad company as other judgments are by law collected and enforced

Section 7 The amount assessed against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be paid out of any unexpended funds in the State Treasury appropriated to the State Highway Department for the construction and maintenance of State highways

Section 8 The costs of view and subsequent proceedings shall be apportioned in the same proportions as the cost of construction and maintenance of the new bridge in all cases where a new bridge is ordered to be built and in all cases where it is determined that a new bridge is not necessary the costs shall be paid by the petitioner or petitioners

Section 9 All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 282, as follows

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane to make good the deficit in operation of said hospital to January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of eighteen thousand three hundred ninety-eight and eighty-seven-one hundredths dollars ($18,398.87) be and the same is hereby specifically appropriated to the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane at Dixmont Allegheny county Pennsylvania for the purpose of reimbursing said hospital for the deficit incurred by it in operation to January first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 282, as follows

An Act making an appropriation to John W. Eckenrode of Penn Township Cumberland County for loss sustained by an injury to his minor son James Robert Eckenrode while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township Cumberland County

Whereas On the tenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and sixteen James Robert Eckenrode a minor child of John W. Eckenrode while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township Cumberland County near Dickenson post office was injured by being struck by pieces of rock from a blast fired by employes and agents of the State while at work on said State highway and

Whereas No notice was given to said James Robert Eckenrode that said blast was about to be fired or outcry made and

Whereas The injury to the said James Robert Eckenrode consisted of a cut above the right eye and two broken bones in the right leg below the knee therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of four hundred dollars is hereby specifically appropriated to John, W. Eckenrode father of said James Robert Eckenrode in his own right and in the right of the said James Robert Eckenrode for medical attention nursing loss of service and pain and suffering occasioned by the injury to said James Robert Eckenrode while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township Cumberland County near Dickinson post office caused by being struck by pieces of rock from a blast fired by employes and agents of the State while at work on said State highway

Section 2 The amount hereinbefore appropriated shall be paid by warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer upon the filing in the office of the Auditor General of a release by the said John W. Eckenrode in his own right and as guardian and next friend of said James Robert Eckenrode releasing the Commonwealth from all claims and demands by reason of the said injury to the said James Robert Eckenrode

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 383, as follows

An Act making an appropriation to George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice of Penn Township Cumberland county for loss sustained by the death of their minor son Benjamin Rice while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township Cumberland county

Whereas On the tenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and sixteen Benjamin Rice a minor child of George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn township Cumberland county near Dickinson post office was killed by a piece of rock from a blast fired by employes and agents of the State while at work on said highway and

Whereas No notice was given to said Benjamin Rice that said blast was about to be fired or outcry made therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars is hereby specifically appropriated to the said George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice for loss sustained by the death of the said Benjamin Rice while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township Cumberland county near Dickinson post office caused by a piece of rock from a blast fired by employes and agents of the State while at work on said State highway

Section 2 The amount hereinbefore appropriated shall be paid by warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer upon the filing in the office of the Auditor General of a release by the said George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice releasing the Commonwealth from all claims and demands by reason of the death of the said Benjamin Rice

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 592, as follows

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for carrying on the business of furnishing amusement to the public to erect and maintain buildings such as theatres moving picture houses opera houses and other places of amusement within this Commonwealth and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporation organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 624, as follows

An Act dividing the Middle Coal-Field Poor District into four districts and providing for the nomination and election of a director and auditor from each district and one director at large to be elected by the voters of all the districts fixing the time when such nominations and elections shall be held and when those elected shall take office providing for appointments and filling of vacancies placing the affairs of the Districts under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said district after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County and repealing certain acts

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the affairs of the Middle Coal-Field Poor District shall be managed by five directors of the poor one director to be nominated and elected at large by the electors of the entire Poor District and one Director to be nominated and elected from each of the four districts into which said Poor District is sub-divided The districts shall be composed as follows (1) city of Hazelton and the borough of West Hazelton (2) townships of Hazle and Forster and the Boroughs of Freeland and Jeddo (3) townships of Banks Lehigh and Lausanne and the boroughs of Weatherly and Beaver Meadow (4) township of Mauch Chunk and the boroughs of Mauch Chunk East Mauch Chunk Lansford and Summit Hill

Section 2 At the primary and municipal elections to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the qualified electors of the Middle Coal-Field Poor District shall nominate and elect in the same manner as now provided by law for the nomination and election of other candidates in this Commonwealth except as hereinafter provided a resident of the Carbon County portion of said Poor District to serve at large as director of the poor from said Poor District for the term beginning April first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and ending the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two In the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one a director shall be nominated and elected in the same manner from the Luzerne portion of said Poor District who shall serve for a period of four years beginning the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-

two and every four years thereafter the qualified electors of said Poor District shall select alternately a resident of that portion of each of said counties comprising said Poor District as a director at large to serve for four years

Section 3 The votes cast for the several candidates as director at large at any primary or municipal election shall be received and computed and a return made and certified of all the votes cast within the respective portions of each county forming said Poor District by the county commissioners or the prothonotary in the presence of the court or a judge thereof or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns as the case may be of each of said counties Such county commissioners or judge or persons receiving and computing such primary or municipal election returns in each of said couuties shall thereupon appoint one of the judges of election of that portion of each county comprising said poor district to take charge of such primary or municipal election returns and produce the same at a meeting of the two judges so appointed to be held on the seventh day after the primary or municipal election in the county in which the director to be nominated and elected is a resident

Section 4 The two return judges having met shall cast up the returns of each county and shall make copies of a general return of all the votes cast at such primary or municipal election in the poor district for such office of director of the poor and they shall certify each copy and shall lodge a copy in the office of the county commissioners or prothonotary as the case may be of each county constituting said poor district They shall also deliver a copy of such returns to the person or persons nominated or elected at such primary or municipal election

Section 5 At the primary and municipal elections to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen and every four years thereafter the qualified electors of each district shall nominate and elect in the same manner as other candidates are now nominated and elected one citizen of such district to serve as director of the poor from the district in which he was elected for a period of four years The district directors so elected shall meet with the director at large for the purpose of organization on the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty at which time they shall be duly sworn to faithfully perform the duties of their office and every two years thereafter the director or directors elected at the preceding election shall meet the remaining director or directors the first Monday of January following his or their election and after being sworn as herein provided shall organize for the ensuing two years Such directors whether elected at large or by districts shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per annum

Section 6 The qualified electors of each district shall at the primary and municipal elections to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen nominate and elect one auditor from each of the aforesaid districts in the same manner as the district directors are nominated and elected who shall serve for a term of four years and who shall each receive ten dollars per diem for their services but in no case shall their compensation exceed fifty dollars per annum In addition however such auditors shall receive six cents per mile circular actually traveled in the performance of their duties but such mileage shall be allowed for one trip only Such auditors shall take office the same time as the district directors

Section 7 Until such time as the directors of the poor provided for in this act shall have been elected and duly qualified the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county shall continue to make appointments of district directors as heretofore except in the case of the director to be appointed in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen in which case no appointment shall be made but no director holding office by virtue of such appointment and no auditor shall continue in office longer than the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty at which time their terms shall expire

Section 8 Should any vacancy occur in the office of director or auditor for any cause whatsoever after the passage of this act such vacancy shall be filled by the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county for the unexpired term In case however such vacancy shall occur before the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty the appointee shall only hold such office until that day

Section 9 The affairs of the said poor district shall at all times be under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county In the event of its becoming necessary to erect additional buildings for the reception and care of the poor and insane of the said poor district it shall be lawful for the directors to erect such new or additional buildings but only after their erection cost and construction have been approved by the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county

Section 10 That the act approved the ninth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-one) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of five directors of the Middle Coal-Field Poor District by the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county the continuance in office of the directors now serving for the filling of vacancies placing the affairs of the district under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county and making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said district after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county" is absolutely repealed and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 629, as follows

An Act classifying and extending the terms of office of councilmen in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth

Whereas in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth by reason of failure and neglect to comply with prior legislation requiring the classification of terms the expiration of terms of office of councilmen is not regulated so that one-half or as nearly as possible one-half of the entire number to which the borough is entitled can be elected at each succeeeding municipal election as contemplated by "The General Borough Act of 1915" and whereas uniformity in this respect is essential therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same Tnat in boroughs where the terms of more than one-half of such entire number of councilmen to which the borough is entitled expire on the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen the town council shall within ninety days after the passage of this act ascertain and determine by lot from among the councilmen whose terms of office would otherwise expire on the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen a number of terms sufficient when added to the terms of councilmen expiring on the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty to make one-half of such entire number and if such entire number is seven nine or eleven et cetera then three four or five as the case may be and the terms of such councilmen so ascertained and determined upon shall be hereby extended and continued until the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty And in boroughs where the number of terms expiring on the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen is less than one-half of such entire number then the town council within ninety days after the passage of this act shall ascertain and determine by lot from among the councilmen whose terms expire on the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty a number of terms sufficient when added to the terms of councilmen whose terms expire on the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen to make one-half of such entire number and where such entire number is seven nine or eleven then three four or five as the case may be and the terms of councilmen so ascertained and determined by lot together with the terms of councilmen otherwise expiring on the first Monday in January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen shall be thereby extended and continued until the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty and the terms of office of the remaining councilmen shall be thereby continued and extended until the first Monday in January in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 684, as follows

An Act relating to divorce and defining the conditions under which remarriage may be lawful by husband or wife after both separation and decree a mensa et thoro for a certain time and providing the procedure in and effect of the same

Whereas The law relating to divorce a mensa et thoro creates a relationship resigned in part to induce the parties to resume marital relations but experience has shown that it often prevents the establishment of households with consequent inducement to immorality and is injurious both to the individuals and society therefore it has been deemed proper after such reconciliation shall have become improbable that either party under proper conditions shall have the right to remarry not thereby affecting any former decree giving alimony

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever a decree in divorce a mensa et thoro shall have been or shall be entered in this Commonwealth that either party under oath may petition the court of common pleas of the county where domiciled setting forth First the petitioners residence in the commonwealth at least one year just preceding such new action Second the name and if known the residence of the other party Third the date and place of the former decree incorporating a copy thereof Fourth the actual separation of the parties continuously for at least five years with a decree a mensa et thoro in full force for at least three years both just prior to said application and that the said decree has been complied with Fifth that a reconciliation is improbable Sixth that during the period of five years immediately prior to making the application the petitioner has led an upright life Seventh that there exists no collusion between the parties for the purpose of obtaining a decree

The petitioner shall pray the court for a decree making it lawful and allowing the petitioner to remarry and for a subpoena to issue directed to the other party as in divorce cases and if the facts set forth in the petition are established and it shall appear that the petitioner has complied with the former decree of the court has led an upright life free from immorality and that a reconciliation is improbable the court shall make a decree allowing and making lawful the remarriage of either and both of the parties as though never married but such decree shall not affect any order for alimony in said former proceeding so long as the wife remain unmarried the power of the court therein to change or suspend such alimony under the law at the application of either party shall remain unaffected and in no case shall the decree under this act extend to allow the husband or wife found guilty of adultery in the former proceeding to marry the co-respondent

Section 2 The court may hear the evidence directly or may refer the same to a special master to take and report the depositions to the court or may award an issue to obtain the aid of a verdict in arriving at a proper determination of the case and shall make all general or special rules as shall be deemed necessary in such cases the right of appeal shall exist as in cases of divorce

Section 3 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PATTON. from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 480, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. W. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 243, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judges of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 172, entitled

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments in the townships of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 227 (House Bill No. 122), entitled

An Act to amend Section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act" to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 469, entitled

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of automobiles, motor trucks or other motor vehicles or of any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 471, entitled

An Act to authorize the payment by corporations to their directors of compensation for services rendered by them.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 522 (House Bill No. 477), entitled

An Act to enable foreign fraternal beneficiary associations and corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 552 (House Bill No. 293), entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 553 (House Bill No. 295), entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-four), entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,' " as amended, by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 557 (House Bill No. 667) entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 560, entitled

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the 19th day of March, 1909, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania; to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, by providing for the extension of time necessary for graduation; by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses; and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled "An Act to recharter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia," and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act regulating banks."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 579, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, and providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining the same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve and maintain the same; and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, mantenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of the township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner, and the several counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof, in the same manner as a State-aid highway; and authorizing counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof, and making valid all such contracts heretofore made; such highway to remain a State Highway.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 601 (House Bill No. 608), entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 604, entitled

An Act to amend part of the fourth section of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 607, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme, Superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved June 23rd, 1911, so as to provide for the retirement of a judge during the balance of a term for which he was elected.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 607, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 619, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improve-

ment thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction, reconstruction and improvement of State Highways.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 620, entitled

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird; prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same and providing for penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 628, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 638 (House Bill No. 799), entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 639 (House Bill No. 852), entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 643 (House Bill No. 384), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven ,entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court criers and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 654, entitled

An Act creating a State Board of Agriculture a Department of Agriculture and defining their relations duties and authorities

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 662, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples providing penalties for violations and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 671, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes" approved the 13th day of May, A. D. 1915

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 675, entitled

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the 1st day of January, 1896, within or without the State of Pennsylvania, between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act, where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage, notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed, and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 676, entitled

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth providing for a review by the Courts of Common Pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the fire marshals

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 677, entitled

An Act conferring upon the county commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal has been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals and to furnish necessary equipment stationery and clerk hire therefor

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 678, entitled

An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy and assistant fire marshals and to fix the salaries of the fire marshals and the deputies and assistant fire marshals in

counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 679, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 680, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the District Attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective an assistant county detective and special county detective defining their duties fixing their salaries and authorizing the payment of the same together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses"

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 681, entitled

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from five dollars per day to ten dollars per day

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 683, entitled

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drink from public watering troughs and providing penalties

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 705 (House Bill No. 877), entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 27, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April second, at nine o'clock, and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April second, at nine o'clock.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 57, entitled

An Act providing for the publication and distribution of a revised edition of the railroad map of Pennsylvania heretofore issued by the Department of Internal Affairs making an appropriation for the work of revising compiling and proof-reading and an appropriation for printing and mounting the same and for paper

House Bill No. 120, entitled

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen defining their powers and duties providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen

House Bill No. 177, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadelphia

House Bill No. 249, entitled

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions" approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act' approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

House Bill No. 286, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H Woodhead of Philadelphia an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch deceased

House Bill No. 324, entitled

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen for the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department

House Bill No. 366, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company Edward L Keane Secretary of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury

House Bill No. 432, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices" approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act

House Bill No. 583, entitled

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to provide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several

counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three" as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita

House Bill No. 618 entitled

An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, August Hofstetter, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the Borough of Rutledge, County of Delaware, to serve until the first Monday in January, 1918, vice Harry W. Zeising, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

George B. Crawford, Pittsburgh.
G. I. Holdship, Pittsburgh.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Fred V. B. Partridge, Scranton.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

John P. Melvin, Bradford.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

William Brown, Jr., Philadelphia.
Fred G. Muhl, Philadelphia.
Chas. C. Van Horn, Philadelphia.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Thos. P. Herron, Irwin.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 28, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

LEBANON COUNTY.

John R. Lentz, Jonestown, April 4, 1917.

M'KEAN COUNTY.

M. J. Burns, Bradford, April 8, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Gustav Homm, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
Hugh Roberts, Philadelphia, April 15, 1917.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Robert L. Heiser, Mahanoy City, April 8, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Homsher,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO DRAFT RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF THE LATE SENATOR CHARLES J. MAGEE.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair desires to announce the appointment of the following committee, provided for by the resolution introduced by the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Kline, to draft suitable resolutions on the death of the late Senator Charles J. Magee:

The Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Kline; the Senator from Bucks, Mr. Buckman; the Senator from Lackawanna, Mr. Lynch; the Senator from Venango, Mr. Phipps; the Senator from Northampton, Mr. Hackett; the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. McKee; the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Vare, and the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 3, line 6, by striking out after the word "first" the words "Monday of May one thousand nine hundred seventeen" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "day of January, one thousand nine hundred eighteen."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 713, entitled

An Act to authorize the purchase of the collection of books, antique pottery, pewter, linen, pictures, letters, autographs, tools, implements, foreschriften, et cetera, of the late Samuel W. Pennypacker, deceased, for the State Library and the Museum of the State Library, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. MILLER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 714, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Cottage State Hospital of Philipsburg, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 715, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Tabor Home for Children, at Doylestown, Bucks County.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 11.45 o'clock.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Executive Nominations, reported with a favorable recommendation the following nominations, made by His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth:

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE ASYLUM FOR THE CHRONIC INSANE OF PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 12, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Trustees of the State Asylum for the Chronic Insane of Pennsylvania, South Mountain, Pa.:

Joseph L. Lemberger, Lebanon, Pa., for the term of three years, to be computed from June 12, 1915.

E. E. Beidleman, Harrisburg, for the term of three years, to be computed from June 12, 1915.

J. Howell Cummings, Philadelphia, to serve until June 12, 1918, vice Thomas P. Merritt, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE, SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT, NORRISTOWN.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, February 19, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the following named persons to be Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, Southeastern District, Norristown, Montgomery County, to serve for the term of three years, to compute from February 15, 1917:

Frank L. Smith, Norristown.

Thomas W. Marshall, West Chester.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. McCONNELL,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to lie on the table one day, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon all the nominations reported at to-day's session.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. McCONNELL,

That the Senate do advise and consent to the nominations reported.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Beales,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sones,	
Hackett,	Nason,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

HOUSE BILL NO. 248 RECALLED FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JENKINS offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, March 28, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), entitled An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

be recalled from the House of Representatives for further amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 716, entitled

An Act prohibiting holders of brewers' licenses from having offices, or agents soliciting business in counties unless by authority of an agency license; and providing for the revocation of certain licenses.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 717, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of sewage disposal plants within the vicinity of intakes of water works or systems of water supply; and providing for the issuing of injunctions to prevent violations of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO COMPLETION OF TRANS-PENNSYLVANIA THOROUGHFARES.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read, as follows:

Whereas An effort is being made throughout the United States of America to amply prepare this country against any contingency which may arise and defend it against the invasion of any foe therefore

Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania That it is the sense of this body that one of the first steps toward the protection of this Commonwealth and the rendering of aid to the Federal Government will be the completion of those trans-Pennsylvania thoroughfares which are part of the trans-continental systems connecting the eastern and western coasts the construction of which would aid materially in the transportation of troops and munitions and war if the occasion for such transportation arose

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the resolution just read be referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

RECESS.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess until 12 o'clock M.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed the Senate will be in order.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION REQUIRING CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 28, 1917.

Whereas, The General Assembly on January 29th, 1917, adopted a Concurrent Resolution directing that the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should furnish, not later than March 1st, 1917, full information regarding the items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the State Government for the appropriation period ending May 31st, 1917, together with the amount expended from such appropriation up to December 31st, 1916, and the estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the State Government for the two years beginning June 1st, 1917, and

Whereas, The said Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has not at the present time, almost one month later than the date set by the previous resolution, furnished the General Assembly or the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives such information as would assist in the completion of the fiscal legislation necessary to be enacted at this session of the Legislature, and the work of the Legislature and its Committees has thereby been hindered and delayed.

Therefore be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the said Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby directed to complete its report and send the same to both branches of the Legislature not later than Monday, April 2nd, 1917, together with the facts, data and information accompanying the same upon which said report is based, and in case of the failure or refusal of the said Economy and Efficiency Commission to complete and send its report as aforesaid, that the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives are hereby instructed to proceed with the preparation and introduction of the General Appropriation bill without further delay, and to obtain the necessary information by public hearings or otherwise which will enable them to proceed with the work with which they are entrusted.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION RECALLING FROM THE HOUSE HOUSE BILL NO. 248.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, March 28, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), entitled An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

be recalled from the House of Representatives for further amendment.

RECONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 248.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 248 (Senate Bill No. 548), entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulation partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

passed finally.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I voted "aye."

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President I voted "aye."

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 248 (Senate Bill No. 548), passed third reading.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I voted "aye."

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I voted "aye."

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend section 1, page 3, line 12, by inserting after the word "dissolution" the word "and;" also, line 13 by striking out the word "and."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committees at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 667, entitled

An Act requiring all counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved April fourth, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act creating in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million, a Board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said Board, and regulating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that, where said Board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only, the president of the board, in case of a tie vote, shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill No. 700, entitled

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a committee of the Department of Labor and Industry; and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until next Monday, April 2, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.10 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, April 2, 1917, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, March 28, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. RAMSEY (SPEAKER PRO TEM.) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

O God, our Father, bless us all as the beautiful brightness of a new day comes to us. Without Thy blessing life has nothing truly beautiful or good. So fill us with Thy grace and love that we shall be gentle, humble and submissive, and in all things in accord with Thee; yea, keep us from envy, jealousy, bad temper and irritability.

Help us to carry invigorating sunshine and uplifting good cheer everywhere, to be blessings all this day, making our course like the shining light.

Empower us to meet all temptations and strengthen us with spiritual strength so that we may continually go about doing good. Eradicate all evil from our lives, so that we may not fail in our obedience to Thee, and be forever saved. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Lewis, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

FAVORING PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL NO. 116.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of Company H of Media, Pennsylvania, urging the passage of House Bill No. 116, providing for the payment of enlisted men in the National Guard.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

FAVORING LEGISLATION TO REIMBURSE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS presented the petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange, favoring bill to reimburse Agricultural Associations by payment of premiums for 1916.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

FAVORING BILL TO PLACE BOROUGHS ON THE SAME FOOTING AS THE TOWNSHIPS UNDER THE SPROUL SYSTEM.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS presented the petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange, favoring legislation to put the boroughs on the same footing as the townships under the Sproul System.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

FAVORING AMENDMENT TO THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE LAWS REGULATING THE INSURANCE OF LIVESTOCK.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS presented the petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange, favoring amendment to the Mutual fire insurance laws regulating the insurance of livestock.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

PERTAINING TO PUTTING DISEASED HORSES IN PUBLIC STABLES.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS presented the petition of Cambria County Pomona Grange, pertaining to putting diseased horses in public stables, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

PROTESTING AGAINST FISHERMEN'S LICENSE ACT.

Mr. CHRISTMAN presented the petition of the citizens of Montgomery County, protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 1118, Fishermen's License Act.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

PROTESTING AGAINST PASSAGE OF BILL TO PERMIT SUNDAY FISHING.

Mr. DELL presented three petitions of citizens of Huntingdon County opposing the passage of legislation legalizing Sunday fishing.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 1187.

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer, to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder."

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. REITZEL (By request). House Bill No. 1188.

An Act relating to costs in certain cases of interpleader.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 1189.

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania Training School, at Morganza, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. ROTHENBERGER. House Bill No. 1190.

An Act to amend sections eight hundred and seven, eleven hundred and one, eleven hundred and two, eleven hundred and three, eleven hundred and forty-six, eleven hundred and forty-seven, eleven hundred and fifty-two, two thousand twenty-one, and repealing sections eleven hundred and twenty-six, eleven hundred and twenty-seven, eleven hundred and twenty-eight, eleven hundred and twety-nine, eleven hundred and thirty, eleven hundred and thirty-one and eleven hundred and thirty-two of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and

the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. BALDRIGE. House Bill No. 1191.

An Act fixing the compensation of Township Auditors in townships of the first class and providing how said compensation is to be paid.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 1192.

An Act to establish a State Agricultural School; authorizing the purchase of a site and the erection of necessary buildings thereon; providing for the government of such school and the admission of pupils thereto; and making an appropriation to carry out the purposes of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DUNN. House Bill No. 1193.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the manner and time of payment of employes of cities of the first class," including employes of school districts.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MICHEL. House Bill No. 1194.

An Act to amend an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MICHEL. House Bill No. 1195.

An Act to amend an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry, providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation Districts defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. BAKER. House Bill No. 1196.

An Act making an appropriation to the Lake Erie and Ohio River Canal Board of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of defraying the cost of printing reports of its work; for the payment of office expenses; traveling expenses of the Board and the salaries, fees and expenses of engineers, draftsmen, attorneys, experts and clerical assistance.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEARY. House Bill No. 1197.

An Act to punish persons for carrying concealed weapons within this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 1208.

An Act making an appropriation to the Cottage State Hospital of Philipsburg, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REITZEL. House Bill No. 1209.

An Act providing for the discharge of certain easements on land.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. ARTHUR. House Bill No. 1210.

An Act making an appropriation to the Stetson Hospital, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WALLACE. House Bill No. 1240.

An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and of the counties therein having a population of two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more, and of such other counties and of such cities of the third class therein as may accept its provisions by a vote of the people of such counties or cities, respectively, making any violation of its provisions a misdemeanor and providing penalties for any violations thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. URICH. House Bill No. 1241.

An Act requiring the courts of quarter sessions to file their reasons for revoking or refusing to renew existing liquor licenses; requiring compensation to be paid the holder of the license or owner of the premises upon the revocation or refusal thereof, in certain cases, by the county, and vesting in the court of common pleas jurisdiction in such cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH (By request). House Bill No. 1242.

An Act authorizing townships commissioners in townships of the first class to prohibit the keeping of hogs within the limits of such townships or parts of such townships and to regulate the keeping of hogs in such parts of townships of the first class where permission is given.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BIDELSPACHER. House Bill No. 1244.

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act in relation to legal advertisements in the County of Lycoming," approved the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. GLASS. House Bill No. 1245.

An Act making an appropriation to the Mount Sinai Hospital of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 1246.

An Act requiring the construction and maintenance of highways in such manner that horses can travel thereon with safety, and forbidding the expending of money in violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 1247.

An Act to amend the fifth clause of section three of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act relating to food; defining food; providing for the protection of the public health, and the prevention of fraud and deception, by prohibiting the manufacture or sale, the offering for sale or exposing for sale, or the having in possession with intent to sell of adulterated, misbranded, or deleterious foods; prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 1248.

An Act requiring all persons hunting for game to wear red coats or red caps or hats; and providing penalties for violations.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 1249.

An Act prohibiting State agents and employes from acting as guides to hunters and fishermen, and from boarding or lodging hunters and fishermen during certain periods of time; and providing penalties for violations.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 1250.

An Act authorizing Christian Gerz, Administrator of the Estate of Alexander Gerz, late of the City of Lancaster, County of Lancaster, deceased, to sue the Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 1251.

An Act for the encouragement of agriculture and the holding of agricultural exhibitions; providing State aid for certain agricultural associations, and regulating the payment thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 1252.

An Act to amend act known as The Public Service Company Law, approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws, thirteen hundred and seventy-four), as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amend section four of article four, and sections seventeen, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-nine of article six, of an act known as The Public Service Company Law, approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws thirteen hundred and seventy-four), so as to authorize The Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to appoint examiners to take testimony and evidence in any locality in the Commonwealth designated by the Commission; and to provide for the taking of appeals from the findings, determinations, or orders of the Commission to the Superior Court, instead of to the court of common pleas of Dauphin County; vesting in the Superior Court the jurisdiction to hear and determine said appeals, which is now vested in said court of common pleas of Dauphin County, the same to be subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; and so as to make the other necessary changes, due to the said substitution of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania for the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, as the court by which appeals from the findings, determinations, and orders of the Commission shall be determined," approved the third day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and seventy-nine), so as to provide for the taking of appeals from the findings, determinations or orders of the Public Service Commission to the Superior Court and from that court, under certain conditions, to the Supreme Court; defining the jurisdiction of the Superior Court to hear and determine said appeals; providing when appeals may be taken from the decision of the Superior Court to the Supreme Court; vesting in the Superior Court the jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from the findings, determinations or orders of the Public Service Commission which were taken prior to June third, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, to the court of common pleas of Dauphin County and are undisposed of by that court, and to make the changes necessary to accomplish these purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr SULLIVAN. House Bill No. 1253.

A Joint Resolution petitioning the government of the United States and the Secretary of War to rescind or modify the order of the Department of War requiring the raising of certain bridges over the Allegheny River.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 1254.

An Act relating the photographing by police officials of persons charged with any crime, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. OGDEN. House Bill No. 1260.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the counties of Wyoming and Luzerne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1057.

An Act granting certain powers to cities of the second class in relation to underground tunnels, tubes and subways, including their construction, maintenance and operation, and the leasing thereof or parts thereof, and providing for the ascertaining of the damages by reason of such construction, or by reason of the taking, using or appropriating of land necessary and incidental thereto, conferring the power of eminent domain in connection therewith, and providing for the approval of the contracts provided for herein by the Public Service Commission.

Re-referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 104 (House Bill No. 1198).

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 253 (House Bill No. 1199).

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgment and costs recovered in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County in the suit of Joseph Moore, James S. T. Moore, Annie M. Polk, Rebecca E. Swiggett, Mary E. Williams, Spencer C. Moore vs. Robert K. Young, Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 263 (House Bill No. 1200).

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties, boroughs, townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof," by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 276 (House Bill No. 1201).

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 363 (House Bill No. 1202).

An Act to refund to the Sanitary Casket Protector Company of Berks County, money erroneously paid as tax on capital stock.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 474 (House Bill No. 1203).

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 490 (House Bill No. 1204).

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 491 (House Bill No. 1205).

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 505 (House Bill No. 1206).

An Act directing the Commission appointed under the act of April twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment and

expenses of a Commission of three persons, learned in the law, to codify and revise the law of decedents' estates, and making an appropriation," to publish preliminary drafts of bills prepared by said Commission codifying the law of decedents' estates; providing for the distribution thereof; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 515 (House Bill No. 1207).

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital for the Southern District of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 19 (House Bill No. 1211).

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree, and repealing inconsistent legislation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 314 (House Bill No. 1212).

An Act to amend an act approved the 11th day of April, 1913 (Pamphlet Laws 58), "An Act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, or having in possession with intent to sell, of eggs unfit for food as therein defined, and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products; providing penalties for the violation thereof, and providing for the enforcement thereof,' approved the 11th day of March, A. D. 1909; providing for the denaturing by kerosene of all eggs unfit for food within the meaning of said act and providing penalties for the violation thereof," providing for the licensing by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of persons, co-partnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the egg content from the shell, and using or disposing of the contents thereof for any purpose; authorizing the Dairy and Food Commissioner and his agents and assistants to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Senate Bill No. 339 (House Bill No. 1213).

An Act providing for the sale of tax claims on lands for city taxes, school taxes, municipal claims and water rents in cities of first class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 354 (House Bill No. 1214).

An Act providing for and regulating the taking of land by condemnation proceedings to establish or enlarge cemeteries.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 489 (House Bill No. 1215).

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 470 (House Bill No. 1216).

An Act to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg, Mississippi, for all surviving soldiers of those organizations which participated in the Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in June and July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, to enable them to unite in participation of a National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee, to be held in the National domain within the Vicksburg National Military Park, October sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and making an appropriation for said transportation and providing for the expenses of the Commission appointed under the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 109 (House Bill No. 1217).

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Comonwealth; requiring non-residents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth; providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

Senate Bill No. 119 (House Bill No. 1218).

An Act providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 121 (House Bill No. 1219).

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

Senate Bill No. 264 (House Bill No. 1220).

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 320 (House Bill No. 1221).

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred one.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 324 (House Bill No. 1222).

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act relating to borough officers, employes and contracts and providing for the punishment of any violation of its provisions," extending the same to apply to cities of the third class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 381 (House Bill No. 1223).

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 500 (House Bill No. 1224).

An Act permitting the release on parole of insane persons committed to the institutions of the Commonwealth and regulating such release and the appointment of parole officers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 502 (House Bill No. 1225).

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth to certify the proceedings upon which commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution.

Referred to the Commitee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 503 (House Bill No. 1226).

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April sixth, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one," approved the sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 513 (House Bill No. 1227).

An Act regulating the collection of county taxes in counties containing over one hundred thirty-five thousand and less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants; creating the office of receiver of taxes in such counties and prescribing the powers and duties of said office.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 525 (House Bill No. 1228).

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, entitled 'An Act relating to allegheny County,' " approved the eighth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 535 (House Bill No. 1229).

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 536 (House Bill No. 1230).

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 537 (House Bill No. 1231).

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act, entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' court in the County of Allegheny, and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 538 (House Bill No. 1232).

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County, and regulating compensation," approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 540 (House Bill No. 1233).

An Act for the protection of the public health; by regulating the possession, control, receipt, administering, prescribing, dispensing, sale, delivering, and giving away of certain drugs and keeping records thereof; by regulating the administering, dispensing, prescribing and delivery of certain drugs to habitual users of said drugs and regulating the treatment and cure of said habitual users of said drugs; by providing for the revocation of the licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists and registered nurses for drug addiction and for violating the provisions of this act; and otherwise fixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Senate Bill No. 541 (House Bill No. 1234).

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio, in Allegheny County, to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 562 (House Bill No. 1235).

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement or reconstruction of certain State highways in certain cases upon the property abutting the line of improvement, and providing for the collection of such assessments.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 572 (House Bill No. 1236).

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farview, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 573 (House Bill No. 1237).

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State forests.

Referred to the Committee on Forestry.

Senate Bill No. 581 (House Bill No. 1238).

An Act empowering certain corporations, societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business, and providing for the approval by the court of common pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 583 (House Bill No. 1239).

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act, approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 650 (House Bill No. 1243).

An Act making an appropriation to A. K. Cassel for services rendered as deputy commissioner in the Dairy and Food Division of the Department of Agriculture.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 255 (House Bill No. 1255).

An Act to fix the time for filing nomination papers for State and municipal officers and for determination by the courts of contested papers.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senate Bill No. 256 (House Bill No. 1256).

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four and paragraph one of section five of an act entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective officers of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senate Bill No. 257 (House Bill No. 1257).

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States, and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senate Bill No. 258 (House Bill No. 1258).

An Act making an appropriation to the Athens Furniture Company of Athens, Pennsylvania, for moneys erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 632 (House Bill No. 1259).

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein; providing for work of imporvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. GLASS, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 356, entitled

An Act to repeal sections three and four of an act approved the nineteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-three), entitled "An Act requiring employers to make report to the Department of Labor and Industry of accidents to employes, and prescribing a penalty for non-compliance therewith."

Mr. GLASS, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 988, entitled

An Act providing that whenever the charter of any borough is annulled, the territory embraced within the borough whose charter is annulled shall become a township of the same name and subject to the laws governing townships in this Commonwealth.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 845, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the first class to make appropriations for the support of destitute families of persons sentenced to imprisonment, and providing a system of control and administration for the distribution thereof.

Mr. BECHTOLD, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 962, entitled

An Act to prohibit the letting of prison labor by contract, to regulate the employment of prisoners in all county prisons and reformatories, regulating the disposition of the products of prison labor, and providing penalty for its violations.

Mr. BECHTOLD, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 730, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of cities of the second class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; making violations of its provisions to be misdemeanors, and providing penalties for violations thereof," approved May twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and seven, providing for the election of the civil service commissioners and for their removal and fixing their term of office and their compensation.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 752, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, three and five of article three of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 778, entitled

An Act providing that all the powers and duties now vested in the select and common councils of cities of the first class be completely vested in a single body called the city council, and fixing the qualifications, the election, salary and term of office of the members thereof; providing for the apportionment of cities of the first class into eight councilmanic districts; and providing that the mayor shall cast a deciding vote in case of a tie vote in the city council.

Mr. McCAIG, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 468, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the county engineer and deputy county engineer in counties containing a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand.

Mr. GEORGE W. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as amended House Bill No. 1020, entitled

An Act relating to tax assessment returns in certain counties.

Mr. MILNER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 919, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting the tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city borough incorporated town township or county requiring any taxes registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed House Bill No. 937 (Senate Bill No. 217), entitled

An Act preventing the manufacture, sale or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens, lead arsenates, lime-sulphur compounds and other insecticides and fungicides and regulating traffic therein; providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as amended House Bill No. 959 (Senate Bill No. 201), entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light, heat and power plants and water works plants and systems; providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 678 (Senate Bill No. 186), entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class; constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method of fixing compensation of a secretary.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported with a negative recommendation House Bill No. 935 (Senate Bill No. 210), entitled

An Act to amend section four of article fifteen of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto."

Mr. LAUCKS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 832, entitled

An Act to require that every future act of the General Assembly be given a short title for convenience of citation, and to require the Legislative Reference Bureau to report to the next session of the General Assembly a list of short titles for certain acts now in force.

Mr. GOLDER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 846, entitled

An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens, and the proceedings for the collection thereof, in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1198 (Senate Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the superintendent and deputy superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police Force.

Mr. BRADY, from the Committee on Printing, re-reported as amended House Bill No. 224, entitled

An Act to amend clause eighteen of section nineteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BOYD asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Stites.

Mr. CUMMINS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bennett on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. McCAIG asked and obtained leave of absence for the members of the Appropriations Committee from to-morrow's session for the purpose of visiting institutions in Pittsburgh.

RESOLUTION NO. 10.

Mr. J. O. CAMPBELL called up Resolution No. 10, File Folio 1491, on page 12 of to-day's calendar, which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, March 22, 1917.

Be it Resolved That Tuesday April the tenth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be fixed as the last day for introduction of bills in the House except those pertaining to local legislation in which advertising has already been started

On the question

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Speaker I think that this would be a proper subject for discussion by the Committee on Rules of this House and I therefore move you that this resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules.

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER declared the "yeas" seem to have it.

Whereupon a division was called for, seventy-nine gentlemen voting in the affirmative and sixty-five in the negative, the question was decided in the affirmative, and the motion was agreed to.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.

The SPEAKER called up Resolution No. 12, File Folio 1603, on page 12 of to-day's calendar, which was twice read and agreed to as follows:

Whereas, An effort is being made throughout the United States of America to amply prepare this country against any contingency which may arise and defend it against the invasion of any foe therefore

Be it Resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania That it is the sense of this body that one of the first steps toward the protection of this Commonwealth and the rendering of aid to the Federal Government will be the completion of those trans-Pennsylvania thoroughfares which are part of the transcontinental systems connecting the eastern and western coasts the construction of which would aid materially in the transportation of troops and munitions and war if the occasion for such transportation arose

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 876, as follows:

An Act to authorize the revising editing and printing of fifteen thousand copies of bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six entitled "Swine Husbandry" issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to cause to be edited and revised the bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six heretofore published by the Department of Agriculture entitled "Swine Husbandry" and to order the printing of fifteen thousand copies thereof It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding upon requisition of the Secretary of Agriculture to have the Bulletin printed and delivered to the Department of Agriculture The sum of two hundred dollars ($200) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to carry out the purpose of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 875, entitled

An Act to authorize the revising editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hundred and one entitled "Market Gardening" issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to cause to be edited and revised the Bulletin number two hundred and one heretofore published by the Department of Agriculture entitled "Market Gardening" and to order the printing of twenty-five thousand copies thereof It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding upon requisition of the Secretary of the Agriculture to have the bulletin printed and delivered to the Department of Agriculture The sum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to carry out the purpose of this act

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BECHTOLD. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 10, by striking out "the."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to authorize the revising editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hun-

dred and one entitled "Market Gardening" issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 494 entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation' approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine" as amended by removing the exemption granted corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes and approaching the same for State and State-aid highway purposes

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the twenty-first section of an act approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and twenty) entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide revenue by taxation' approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine" as amended by the act approved the twenty-second day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three) entitled "An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled 'A Further Supplement of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation' approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine' as amended" which reads as follows

"Section 21 That every corporation joint-stock association limited partnership and company whatsoever from which a report is required under the twentieth section hereof shall be subject to and pay into the Treasury of the Commonwealth annually a tax at the rate of five mills upon each dollar of the actual value of its whole capital stock of all kinds including common special and preferred as ascertained in the manner prescribed in said twentieth section and it shall be the duty of the treasurer or other officers having charge of any such corporation joint-stock association or limited partnership upon which a tax is imposed by this section to transmit the amount of said tax to the treasury of the Commonwealth within thirty days from the date of the settlement of the account by the Auditor General and the State Treasurer Provided That for the purposes of this act interest in limited partnerships or joint-stock associations shall be deemed to be capital stock and taxable accordingly Provided also That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock under this section shall not be required to pay any further tax on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them and in which the whole body of stockholders or members as such have the entire equitable interest in remainder but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations owning or holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner than for the whole body of stockholders or members thereof as sole equitable owners in remainder shall return and pay the tax imposed by this act upon all securities so owned or held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That the provisions of this section shall not apply to the taxation of the capital stock of corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering or manufacturing purposes which is invested in and actually and exclusively employed in carrying on laundering or manufacturing within the State excepting companies engaged in the brewing or distilling of spirits or malt liquors and such as enjoy and exercise the right of eminent domain but every laundering or manufacturing corporation limited partnership or joint-stock association shall pay the State tax of five mills herein provided upon such proportion of its capital stock if any as may be invested in any property or business not strictly incident or appurtenant to its laundering or manufacturing business in addition to the local taxes assessed upon its property in the district where located it being the object of this proviso to relieve from State taxation only so much of the capital stock as is invested purely in the laundering or manufacturing plant and business Provided further In case of fire and marine insurance companies the tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of three mills upon each dollar of the actual value of the whole capital stock Provided That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to apply to building and loan associations chartered by the State of Pennsylvania" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 21 That every corporation joint-stock association limited partnership and company whatsoever from which a report is required under the twentieth section hereof shall be subject to and pay into the treasury of the Commonwealth annually a tax at the rate of five mills upon each dollar of the actual value of its capital stock of all kinds including common special and preferred as ascertained in the manner prescribed in said twentieth section and it shall be the duty of the treasurer or other officers having charge of any such corporation joint-stock association or limited partnership upon which a tax is imposed by this section to transmit the amount of said tax to the treasury of the Commonwealth within thirty days from the date of the settlement of the account by the Auditor General and the State Treasurer Provided That for the purposes of this act interest in limited partnerships or joint stock associations shall be deemed to be capital stock and taxable accordingly Provided also That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock under this section shall not be required to pay any further tax on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them and in which the whole body of stockholders or members as such have the entire equitable interest in remainder but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations owning or holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner than for the whole body of stockholders or members thereof as sole equitable owners in remainder shall return and pay the tax imposed by this act upon all securities so owned or held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That in the case of corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes excepting companies engaged in the brewing and distilling of spirits or malt liquors and such as enjoy and exercise the right of eminent domain the tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of two mills upon each dollar of the actual value of the whole capital stock The taxes collected under the provisions of this act are hereby permanently dedicated to the construction maintenance improvement and repairs of the State and State-aid highways of the Commonwealth and shall be kept in a special fund for such purposes in the State Treasury separate and apart from the general revenues of the Commonwealth The State Treasurer shall on the first business day of each month make report to the State Highway Commissioner of the money in said fund available for the use of the State Highway Department When so certified by the State Treasurer the fund shall be available for requisition and expenditure and shall be requisitioned expended settled and vouched as provided by the general laws for funds appropriated from the general revenues of the Commonwealth And provided further in case of fire and marine insurance companies the tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of three mills upon each dollar of the actual value of the whole capital stock Provided That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to apply to building and loan associations chartered by the State of Pennsylvania

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 7, by striking out "June" and inserting in lieu thereof "July."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," as amended, by removing the exemption granted corporations, limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes; and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations, limited partnerships, and joint stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes, and appropriating the same for State and State-aid highway purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 820, as follows

An Act requiring the erection of detour signs by the authorities by whose direction any public highway may be closed and providing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any portion of any public highway in the Commonwealth shall be closed for the purpose of construction or repair the authorities by whose order such highway is closed shall simultaneously with the closing thereof cause to be conspicuously posted signs plainly indicating the roads to be followed by travelers to enable them to reach the same highway beyond the closed portion thereof

Section 2 Any person or persons failing to comply with the proviisons of this act shall upon conviction before any magistrate or justice of the peace be subject to a fine or penalty of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars together with the costs of the prosecution or in case of non-payment of the same to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five days

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district within this Commonwealth to increase its indebtedness under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" approved the twentieth day of April on thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and under the acts amendatory thereof where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of the increase of indebtedness be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such county city borough township school district or incorporated district did not by separate and independent action prior to the ordinance or vote in pursuance of which notice of election was given to the electors signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or did not in the words of the act and supplements aforesaid authorizing such increase signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or where the ballots were not certified or signed by the county commissioners or were not printed on the official ballot after the list of candidates but were printed on separate ballots or where full complete and proper return of the votes was not made to the proper court or counted by the court and notwithstanding any defect or informality in the manner of giving notice of such election and notwithstanding any mistake in stating the amount or percentage of the existing debt or the percentage of the proposed increase All bonds issued or to be issued in pursuance of every such election are hereby made valid binding obligations of every such county city borough township school district or incorporated district Provided All the other requirements of the law concerning such election and issue of bonds have been complied with

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend House Bill No. 8, section 1, page 3, in line 3, after the word "with" by inserting the following words: "And Provided Further The provisions of this act shall not apply in any instance where the validity of such election or of any issue of bonds or other security based thereon has been already made the subject of litigation in any court of this Commonwealth."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school district and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 303 A permanent organization shall then be effected for the ensuing year as follows

In all school districts of the first class the school directors shall elect a president and a vice-president from their numbers and a secretary who is not a member They shall elect the treasurer of the city constituting such school district of the first class as the school treasurer for such school district for the ensuing fiscal year In each school district of the second third or fourth class the school directors shall elect from their members a president and a vice-president and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a secretary and a treasurer each of whom shall serve for one year In school districts of the second class the secretary and treasurer shall not be members of the board In district of the third and fourth class they may be members of the board The same person shall not be the secretary and treasurer of any board of school directors" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 303 A permanent organization shall then be effected for the ensuing year as follows

In all school districts of the first class the school directors shall elect a president and a vice-president from their members and a secretary who is not a member They shall elect the treasurer of the city constituting such school district of the first class as the school treasurer for such school district for the ensuing fiscal year In each school district of the second and third class the school directors shall elect from their members a president and a vice-president and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a treasurer each to serve for one year and shall on the first Monday of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and every four years thereafter elect a secretary for a term of four years Vacancies in the office of secretary shall be filled for the unexpired term In each school district of the fourth class the school directors shall elect from their members a president and a vice-president and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a treasurer each of whom shall serve for a term of one year they shall also on the first Monday of July one thousand nine hundred and fifteen elect a secretary for any term not exceeding four years and shall elect successors to such secretary at the expiration of the term of such secretary for terms not exceeding four years Vacancies in the office of such secretary shall be filled for the unexpired term In school districts of the second class the secretary and treasurer shall not be members of the board In districts of the third and fourth class they may be members of the board The same person shall not be secretary and treasurer of any board of school directors

On the quetion,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 21, by striking out "district" and inserting in lieu thereof "districts."
Amend section 1, page 3, line 18, by striking out "fifteen" and inserting in lieu thereof "seventeen."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 46, entitled

An Act requiring employers to permit all employes to have a leave of absence of two hours on election without any deduction in wages

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person entitled to vote at a general election held within this State shall on the day of such election be entitled to absent himself from any service or employment in which he is then engaged or empolyed for a period of two hours while the polls of such election are open If such voter shall notify his employer before the day of such election of such intended absence and if thereupon two successive hours for such absence shall be designated by the employer and such absence shall be during such designated hours or if the employer upon the day of such notice makes no designation and such absence shall be during any two consecutive hours while such polls are open no deduction shall be made from the usual salary or wages of such voter and no other penalty shall be imposed upon him by his employer by reason of such absence This section shall be deemed to include all employes of municipalities

On the question,
Will the House agree ot the section?
Mr. RINN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 12, by striking out "and."
Amend section 1, page 1, line 14, by striking out "and."

On the question
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The second section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 A person or corporation who refuses to an employe entitled to vote at an election the privilege of attending thereat as provided by the election law or subjects such employe to a penalty or reduction of wages because of the exercise of such privilege is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars

The title was read as follows:

An Act requiring employers to permit all employes to have a leave of absence of two hours on election without any deduction in wages

On the question
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. RINN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 2, by inserting "day" after "election."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second reading as amended?
Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, in fairness to the sponsor of this bill I do not think it is any more than just that we give him an opportunity of explaining this bill before we pass upon it.
Mr. RINN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House. This bill is an exact copy of the New York law which has been given a fair trial and has proven most satisfactory in the Empire State. The bill has been made the subject of considerable discussion. By some it has been called an election bill and by others a labor bill. Mr. Speaker, is it not more appropriate to call it a golden rule measure? If this bill is enacted into a law will it not tend to bring the employer and the employe closer together? The proudest heritage of the American citizen is the right of franchise. It is a right that should be denied no man, not even the humblest of our fellow citizens. Foremost in times of peace, loyal in times of war, labor has become the great means of human improvement and human happiness. The men intelligent and far-seeing of the employing classes have been brought to a realizing sense of the importance of dealing fairly with those who toil for a weekly wage. They realize that the most efficient workman is the contented workman and the most contented workman is the one who knows that he is given the opportunity to cast his ballot without being penalized by the loss of time. It is at the ballot box that we exercise the most sacred of our civic privileges. But gentlemen have we given the laboring man every opportunity to exercise this precious prerogative? Is it not a fact that while the man whose time is his own has every opportunity to cast his ballot, a large per cent. of the toiling masses is virtually disfranchised unless they take time off at their own expense to go to the polls? Such a system is wrong; it is unjust; it is not in harmony with the teachings of the golden rule, which all of us ought to incorporate in our lives. In view of all this, is it not our paramount duty, gentlemen, to see to it that no man shall be deprived of the right of franchise because it is impossible for him to cast his ballot, without losing money that he cannot afford to lose? Gentlemen, there is no mistaking the trend of the times. Labor is growing more and more intelligent; it is everywhere doing good and compelling others to do good. Labor, intelligent labor I mean, is improving society and enlarging and perfecting its means of usefulness. This bill, gentlemen, will tend to strengthen the common bond of interest between capital and labor and convince the latter element of our society that it is receiving that recognition which it deserves and convince it that in Pennsylvania tyrannical institutions do not put the reproach of ignorance and inferiority on the man who toils. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen, the eyes of the people of this great Commonwealth are on us. They look for progressive legislation from us. This bill is distinctly in line with the trend of progressive thought and progressive sentiment. The great mass of workers of the State asks the enactment into law of this bill. It asks for nothing that is unreasonable or unjust. Gentlemen, let it not be said that the great State of Pennsylvania has denied labor the opportunity to cast its ballot.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to transcribe the bill for third reading?

The Speaker announced the nays appear to have it,

Whereupon,

A division was called for, and 104 gentlemen, the constitutional majority of the House having voted in the affirmative the question was determined in the affirmative, and the House agreed to transcribe the bill for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 900, entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physiicans as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three which reads as follows

"Section 19 The certificate above provided for shall have been made within one week of the examination of the patient and within two weeks of the time of the admission of the patient and shall be duly sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of this Commonwealth and of the county where such person has been examined who shall certify to the genuineness of the signatures and to the standing and good repute of the signers Any person falsely certifying as aforesaid shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and also liable civilly to the party aggrieved" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 19 The certificate above provided for shall have been made within one week of the examination of the patient and within two weeks of the time of the admission of the patient and who shall be duly sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of this Commonwealth who shall certify to the genuineness of the signatures and to the standing and good repute of the signers Any person falsely certifying as aforesaid shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and also liable civilly to the party aggrieved

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 6, by inserting "the" before "insane."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 9, by inserting "and" after "signers."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 16, by striking out "who."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act amending section nineteen of an act, entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act to further amend section thirteen of an act, approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 1001), entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," as amended.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section thirteen of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" as amended by an act approved the eighteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws ten hundred and fifty) entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses' approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen so as to make the proviso to section thirteen of said act operative where two or more candidates for the office of judge of any court of record consisting of several judges are to be elected at one election" which as amended reads as follows

"Section 13 The candidates for nomination at any primary for any office within the provisions of this act to be filled at the succeeding election equal in number to twice the number to be elected at the succeeding election who shall have received at such primary the highest number of votes cast for nomination to the office for which they are candidates (or if the number of all candidates voted for as aforesaid be not more than twice the number to be elected then all the candidates) shall be nominees for such office and their names and none other except as hereinafter provided shall be printed as candidates for such respective offices upon the official ballots which are provided according to law for use at such succeeding election Provided That whenever at any primary any candidate for nomination to any of the aforesaid offices to which but one person is to be elected at the succeeding election shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary and greater than one-half of the number of ballots cast in the political district or division within which the nomination is to be made such candidate shall be the sole nominee for such office and his name and none other shall be printed as candidate for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election

"And provided further That whenever at any primary nominations are to be made of candidates to fill two or more vacancies in any appellate or other court of record composed of two or more judges if any one or more of such candidates shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary (and greater than one-half of the number of ballots cast for any one candidate for any office in the political district or division within which the nomination is to be made) then and in such event each of such candidates shall be the sole nominee for one of the respective vacancies in such office If it appear that less than the whole number of candidates for such office to be elected at the ensuing election have received the required number of votes hereinbefore specified then and in such event he or they who have received that number of votes at the primary shall be the sole nominee or nominees for that number of vacancies in such office and his name or their names and none other shall be printed as candidates for that number of vacancies in and for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election The number of candidates for any remaining vacancy or vacancies in such office for which the primary has declared no sole nominee or nominees as herein just provided and the manner of their

election shall remain as provided by existing law In the event of one or more candidates being sole nominees as above provided there shall be two groups of names of candidates on the ballots the names of such sole nominees being in one group and the names of other candidates in the other

"In case of a tie the canddiates receiving the tie vote shall appear and cast lots before the county commissioners or the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the case may be on the third Friday after the primary and the one to whom the lot shall fall shall be entitled to the nomination Provided in any case where the fact of a tie vote is not authoritatively determined until after the third Wednesday after the day of the primary the day for appearing and casting lots shall be the second day after the day of which the fact of such tie vote is authoritatively determined If any candidate or candidates receiving a tie vote fail to appear before twelve o'clock noon on said day the county commissioners or the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the case may be shall cast lots for him or them For the purpose of casting lots any candidate may appear in person or by proxy appointed in writing" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 13 The candidates for nomination at any primary for any office within the provisions of this act to be filled at the succeeding election equal in number to twice the number to be elected at the succeeding election who shall have received at such primary the highest number of votes cast for nomination to the office for which they are candidates (or if the number of all the candidates voted for as aforesaid be not more than twice the number to be elected then all the candidates) shall be the nominees for such office and their names and none other except as hereinafter provided shall be printed as candidates for such respective offices upon the official ballots which are provided according to law for use at such succeeding election Provided That whenever at any primary any candidate for nomination to any of the aforesaid offices to which but one person is to be elected at the succeeding election shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary and greater than one-half of the number of ballots cast in the political district or division within which the nomination is to be made such candidate shall be the sole nominee for such office and his name and none other shall be printed as aforesaid for such office upon the official ballots for the use at such succeeding election

And provided further That whenever at any primary nominations are to be made of candidates to fill two or more vacancies in any appellate or other court of record composed of two or more judges if any one or more of such candidates shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary then and in such event each of such candidates shall be the sole nominee for one of the respective vacancies in such office One-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary shall be ascertained by taking the total number of votes cast for all the candidates for such office and dividing such total vote of all such candidates by the number of persons each voter is entitled to vote for at such primary for such office and this quotient shall be divided by two and any candidate who receives a greater number of votes than the result obtained by the above method of ascertainment shall have met the requirement hereinbefore provided If it appear that less than the whole number of candidates for such office to be elected at the ensuing election have received the required number of votes hereinbefore specified then and in such event he or they who have received that number of votes at the primary shall be the sole nominee or nominees for that number of vacancies in such office and his name or their names and none other shall be printed as candidates for that number of vacancies in and for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election The number of candidates for any remaining vacancy or vacancies in such office for which the primary has declared no sole nominee or nominees as herein just provided and the manner of their election shall remain as provided by existing law In the event of one or more candidates being sole nominees as above provided there shall be two groups of names or candidates on the ballots the names of such sole nominees being in one group and the names of other candidates in the other

In case of a tie the candidates receiving the tie vote shall appear and cast lots before the county commissioners or the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the case may be on the third Friday after the primary and the one to whom the lot shall fall shall be entitled to the nomination Provided In any case where the fact of a tie vote is not authoritatively determined until after the third Wednesday after the day of the primary the day for appearing and casting lots shall be the second day after the day on which the fact of such tie vote is authoritatively determined If any candidate or candidates receiving a tie vote fail to appear before twelve o'clock noon on said day the county commissioners or the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the case may be shall cast lots for him or them For the purpose of casting lots any candidate may appear in person or by proxy appointed in writing

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows.

Amend section 1, page 3, line 14, by inserting "the" before "nominees."

Amend section 1, page 4, lines 7 and 10, by striking out the parenthesis.

Amend section 1, page 5, line 12, by striking out "of" after "day" and inserting in lieu thereof "on."

Amend section 1, page 6, line 16, by striking out "candidates" and inserting in lieu thereof "candidate."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to further amend section thirteen of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and one) entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for nonpartisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" as amended

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 866, entitled

An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof; defining the words "drug" and "poison" and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law, and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality, strength and purity.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That definitions (a) that the term pharmacy when not otherwise limited shall for all the purposes of this act be taken to mean a retail drug store or any place where drugs medicines or poisons are compounded dispensed prepared or sold at retail (b) That the term "drug" as used in this act shall include all medicine and preparations recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia the National Formulary or the American Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia for internal or external use and any other substance or mixture of substances intended to be used for the cure mitigation or prevention of disease of either man or other animals (c) That the term "Pharmacist" shall for all purposes of this act be deemed to mean a person who is properly registered in accordance with this act of Assembly as a pharmacist

That the term "assistant pharmacist" shall for all the purposes of this act be deemed to mean a person who is properly registered in accordance with this act of Assembly as an assistant pharmacist Provided however That all persons registered as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists by the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board of Pennsylvania under the act of May twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven and various supplements and amendments entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of poisons" et cetera et cetera shall be deemed to be pharmacists or assistant pharmacists respectively registered under this act

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out "definitions" and "that."

Amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by inserting quotation marks before and after the word "pharmacy."

Amend section 1, page 1, line 8, by striking out "that."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 7, by striking out "that."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 11, by striking out "that" and inserting in lieu thereof "(d)."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 20, by striking out "the" and "et cetera" and inserting after "poisons" and with the quotation marks, the following: "and to prevent adulterations in drugs and medicinal preparations in the State of Pennsylvania."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 21, by striking out "et cetera."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 That there shall be established in the State of Pennsylvania a board to be known as "The Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy" to consist of five persons three of whom shall constitute a quorum who shall be appointed for the term of five years by the Governor from among the most skillful pharmacists in Pennsylvania who are not teachers or instructors in any educational institution teaching pharmacy each appointee must have been registered as a pharmacist in Pennsylvania for at least ten years previous to his appointment and he must be actually engaged in conducting a pharmacy at the time of his appointment provided whereas a State Pharmaceutical Examining Board has heretofore been created in this Commonwealth and is now instituted and organized as provided in this act of Assembly the members of the said Board heretofore created shall constitute and henceforth be deemed and taken to be the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy established by this act of Assembly

That the appointed members of said Board heretofore created shall respectively continue to hold office as members of the Board established by this act of Assembly until the expiration of the term for which they were originally appointed The members of said Board shall be paid ten dollars per diem and their necessary expenses when actually engaged in the performance of the duties of the Board

The officers of said Board shall be a President Vice President Secretary and Treasurer which shall be elected annually from among their number The salary of the said Secretary shall be a reasonable amount to be determined by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy The members of said Board shall within ten days of their appointment take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before a properly qualified officer of the county in which they reside that they will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of their office which oath or affirmation which oath shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth

And the said Board shall have the right to employ chemists assistant chemists agents and clerks for the purpose of carrying out the terms and conditions prescribed by this act of Assembly Any vacancy occurring in the said Board shall be filled by the Governor from among such only as are eligible for appointment under this act of Assembly Provided however If the office of a member shall become vacant before the expiration of the term for which said member was appointed the vacancy shall be filled by an appointment by the Governor for the unexpired term only

Section 3 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall meet at least four times a year in the City of Harrisburg or such other place in Pennsylvania as they may deem expedient and examine all persons in the science of pharmacy and its allied branches who shall make application for registration as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists and that the said Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or a majority of them shall grant to such persons as may be qualified registration and certificates of competency and qualification which shall entitle the holders thereof to all the privileges of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under the provisions of this act as may be specified therein

Section 4 That every person applying to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy for examination and registration as a pharmacist shall be not less than twenty-one years of age and of good moral character and must produce satisfactory evidence of having had not less than four years practical experience in a pharmacy under the personal supervision of a pharmacist at least two years of which experience must have been acquired within the United States in the business of retailing compounding or dispensing of drugs chemicals and poisons and of compounding of physicians' prescriptions or in the case of an applicant having acquired experience in the drug dispensary of a regular public hospital which dispensary was conducted under the constant supervisions of a registered pharmacist two years of such experience shall be allowed in lieu of two years required in a pharmacy and of being a graduate of some reputable and properly chartered college of pharmacy so recognized by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy of this or some other State or any foreign country whose pharmacy licensing board or other authority recognizes the graduates of the reputable and properly chartered colleges of pharmacy of this State and admits the graduates of all such colleges to its pharmacy licensure examinations And every person applying for registration as qualified assistant shall be not less than eighteen years of age and of good moral character and must produce satisfactory evidence of having had not less than two years practical experience as defined and provided in this section

The fifth section was read as follows:

Section 5 Each applicant fo rexamination and registration as a pharmacist shall pay to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy an examination fee of five dollars ($5.00) If the said applicant passes a satisfactory examination and complies with the rules and regulations and with the terms and conditions of this act of Assembly then the said Board shall grant the applicant registration and a certificate of competency and qualification as a pharmacist upon the pyment of a fee of twelve dollars ($12.00) provided said fee shall be paid to the said Board within thirty days of the time that the said applicant is notified that a satisfactory examination has been passed

Each applicant for examination and registration as asisstant pharmacist must pay a fee of three dollars ($3.00) to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy and if the said applicant passes satisfactory examination and complies with the rules and regulation of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy for the enforcement of this act of assembly and with the terms and conditions of this act of Assembly the said board shall grant the said applicant registration and a certificate of competency and qualification as an assistant pharmacist upon payment of a fee of five dollars ($5.00) provided that said fee shall be paid to the said board within thirty (30) days of the time that the said applicant is notified that a satisfactory examination has been passed

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 5, page 6, line 14, by inserting "a" before "satisfactory."
Amend section 5, page 6, line 23, by striking out "that" and inserting in lieu thereof "when."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 6 That the registration of any pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under this act of Assembly may be revoked by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy when the registration is proved to have been obtained by fraudulent means

Section 7 That there shall be kept in every pharmacy a copy of the latest revision of the United States Pharmacopoeia and the latest edition of the National Formulary and if homeopathic remedies are compounded and dispensed a copy of the latest revision of the American Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia or the Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States which books must be open to the inspection of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or the agents thereof Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 8 That all certificates as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists issued under the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall at all times be conspicuously exhibited in the place of business where the pharmacist or assistant pharmacist is employed Any pharmacist violating this section of this act of Assembly as to the display of his own or his employes' certificates shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 9 That it shall be unlawful for any person to impersonate an applicant before the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy who shall be applying for registration under the provisions of this act of Assembly Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars ($100.00) or to undergo an imprisonment of six months in the county prison or either or both in the discretion of the court

Section 10 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall make uniform rules and regulations for the enforcement of this act including the forms of application for registration in accordance therewith

Section 11 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall enforce the provisions of this act of Assembly investigate all complaints and charges of non-compliance and prosecute all persons so offending whenever reasonable ground shall appear for such action All fines imposed through a violation of this act shall be paid to the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy and by him paid into the State Treasury for use in the enforcement of this act of Assembly

Section 12 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall make an annual report to the Governor of Pennsylvania of the work performed during the year together with a complete financial statement of all moneys received and all moneys paid out One thousand (1,000) copies of this report shall be printed by the State printer of Pennsylvania and two copies sent to each member of the Legislature the remaining copies to be distributed upon application by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy All papers and records together with the minutes of the board shall be filed in the office of the board

Section 13 That hereafter it shall be unlawful to sell drugs medicines or poisons at retail or to compound physicians' prescriptions or to conduct a pharmacy or to practice as a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist except in compliance with the provisions of this act of Assembly provided however that nothing in this act of Assembly shall be so construed as to interfere with students of pharmacy or other employes in a pharmacy from performing such duties as may be assigned to them by and under the supervision of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist and provided further that the compounding of physicians' prescriptions or the dispensing and selling of posons at retail shall not be permitted except under the strict supervision and in the presence of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist

Nothng in this act of Assembly shall be construed so as to prevent an authorized practitioner of medicine from administering or dispensing such drugs to bona fide patients as he or she shall deem necessary provided however that such drugs so administered or dispensed shall conform to the standards of strength quality and purity as fixed by the laws of this Commonwealth nor prevent the sale or manufacture of proprietory medicines nor prevent storekeepers in rural districts from dealing in and selling commonly used medicines Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) or imprisonment for not more than one year or either or both in the discretion of the court

The fourteenth section was read as follows:

Section 14 That it shall be lawful for a pharmacist to take use and exhibit the title pharmacist pharmacy druggist apothecary or drug store and to have charge of engage in conduct or carry on for himself or for anohter the dispensing compounding or sale of drugs chemicals medicines prescriptions or poisons anywhere within the State but he shall have personal supervision of not more than one pharmacy at the same time

It shall be lawful for an assistant pharmacist to take use or exhibit the title assistant pharmacist and to assist in the dispensing compounding or retailing of drugs chemicals medicines prescriptions or poisons in a pharmacy which is under the management and personal supervision of a pharmacist registered under the provisions of this act he may also perform such duties during the temporary absence of the pharmacist regularly in charge

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 14, page 10, line 4, by striking out "anohter" and inserting in lieu thereof "another."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-first and twenty-second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 15 That it shall be unlawful for any person firm or corporation to use the title pharmacist assistant pharmacist druggist or apothecary except as authorized under this act of Assembly It shall further be unlawful to use the title drug store or pharmacy or any title having the same meaning for a place where drugs are sold at retail except by persons registered as pharmacists under the provisions of this act Provided however It shall not be unlawful for the owner of a pharmacy who is not registered under this act as a pharmacist to employ such titles when his pharmacy is conducted by a pharmacist duly registered under this act Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 16 That the members of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or any of their authorized agents shall have the right to enter any place where drugs are compounded dispensed or sold for the purpose of purchasing samples and shall have the right to purchase samples in order that tests may be made to determine whether such drugs conform to the standards of strength quality and purity as fixed by the laws of this Commonwealth Any person who intentionally prevents or knowingly refuses to permit any authorized person to enter any place where drugs are compounded dispensed or sold for the purpose of purchasing samples or refuses to sell a sample or samples of drugs for the purpose of examination shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 17 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy may register as a pharmacist without examination any person who was duly registered as a pharmacist by examination in some other state provided that the said person shall produce satisfactory evidence of having had the required secondary and professional education demanded of applicants for registration as pharmacist under the provisions of this act and provided also that the state in which such person was registered shall grant registration as a pharmacist without examination to pharmacists duly registered by examination within the meaning of this act A fee of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) shall be paid for such registration

Section 18 Poisons That a poison in the meaning of this act of Assembly shall be any drug chemical or preparation which according to standard works on medicine toxicology or Materia Medica is liable to be distructive to adult human life in quantities of sixty grains or less or any mixture compound or preparation containing in sixty grains or less a sufficient quantity of any such drug chemical or preparation as to make the same liable to be destructive to adult human life if sixty grains or less were to be taken

No person shall sell at retail or dispense any poison except as herein provided without affixing to the bottle box vessel or package containing same a label printed or plainly written containing the name of the article the word "Poison" and the name and place of business of the seller nor shall he deliver poison to any person without satisfying himself that the purchaser understands the poisonous nature of the article and that such poison is to be used for legitimate purposes

It shall be the further duty of anyone selling at retail or dispensing poison which according to standard works on medicine toxicology or Materia Medica are liable to be destructive to adult human life in quantities of five grains or less before delivering them to enter in a book kept for this purpose the name of the seller the name and address of the buyer the name of the article the quantity sold or disposed of the date on which sold and the purpose for which it is said to be intended Such book of registry shall be preserved for at least two years from the last date of entry and shall at all times be open to inspection of the coroner police authorities or the agents of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy provided however that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the dispensing of physicians' prescriptions specifying poisonous articles nor to the sale of mixed paints of all kinds white lead and colors ground in oil and all lead products for technical purposes

Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00)

Section 19 This act shall not apply to the sale of poisons for tenchical use and not sold or offered for sale as a drug within the meaning of this act provided that the article is labeled to show plainly that it is for technical use and not for medicinal use and is sold in compliance with section eighteen of this act of Assembly

Section 20 That all physicians' prescriptions compounded and dispensed shall be kept on file in the pharmacy in which compounded for a period of at least five years and during that time they shall be open to the inspection of the police authorities upon presentation of an order from the court or to the members of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy

Section 21 That it shall be unlawful for any person to falsely make oath or affirmation to any statement in any application made to this board for registration as a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist or to any statement in support of the experience claimed in any application by any applicant for registration under this act Any person so doing shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) and costs of prosecution

Section 22 That it shall be unlawful for any unregistered person to have charge of a pharmacy and anyone who permits any person who is not registered or deemed to be a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and both shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) and costs of prosecution

The twenty-third section was read as follows:

Section 23 That all acts and parts of acts so far as they may be in conflict with this act are hereby declared void and of no effect provided however That if any action or prosecution now pending for violations of any of the acts of Assembly hereby repealed occurring prior to the passage of this act of Assembly and provided further that the duties and powers of the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board under any act of the General Assembly in force and effect on and after January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen shall be taken to be the duties and powers of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy created by this act of Assembly This act shall be in force and effect on and after July first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 23, page 14, line 27, by striking out "January" and inserting in lieu thereof "July."
Amend section 23, page 14, line 28, by striking out "eighteen" and inserting in lieu thereof "seventeen."
Amend section 23, page 15, line 4, by striking out "eighteen" and inserting in lieu thereof "seventeen."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof; defining the words "Drug" and "Poison" and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality, strength and purity.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 677 (Senate Bill No. 75), entitled

An Act amending section five of an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six (Pamphlet Laws seventy-eight), entitled "An Act to regulate nomination and election expenses and to require accounts of nomination and election expenses to be filed and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. GOODWIN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. CROSBY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 502 (Senate Bill No. 84), as follows:

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due them or either of them from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through any negligence of the Commonwealth on the Lake Road between the City of Erie and North Girard Erie County Pennsylvania Such suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 503 (Senate Bill No. 85), as follows:

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due them or either of them from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through any negligence of the Commonwealth on the Lake Road between the City of Erie and North Girard Erie County Pennsylvania Such suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 504 (Senate Bill No. 86), as follows:

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie County Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the count of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due him from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through any negligence of the Commonwealth on the Lake Road between the City of Erie and North Girard Erie County Pennsylvania Such suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 505 (Senate Bill No. 87), as follows

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie are authorized to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife in their own right arising out of certain injuries occurring to them and their property while lawfully driving along State Highway route number eighty-four in the County of Erie State of Pennsylvania Such suit shall be subject to the same rule of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 507 (Senate Bill No. 112), as follows

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb a resident of Dauphin county Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met by virtue of the power vested in it by section eleven of article first of the Constitution of Pennsylvania does hereby authorize and allow Charles S. Grubb a resident of the county of Dauphin Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Charles S. Grubb for personal injuries received by the said Charles S. Grubb on the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen while employed in the State Highway Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth Said suit or suits to be subject to the rules of pleading evidence and appeal as other suits brought in said court are subject

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 422 (Senate Bill No. 33), entitled

An Act to amend Article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue, and repealing all laws general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty, both inclusive.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 775, as follows

An Act to determine the salary of the several clerks of the courts of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia in accordance with article five section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the salaries of each of the clerks of the courts of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia is hereby fixed and determined in accordance with article five section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth to be the sum of four thousand dollars per annum payable in equal monthly instalments by the said county of Philadelphia

Section 2 All acts of Assembly and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 659, entitled

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act providing for the confiscation of certain machines and making an appropriation

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an annual State license tax is hereby imposed upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices having a slot in which a coin or other article may be dropped or inserted to cause the delivery automatically or otherwise of merchandise or service of any description or to permit the use thereof automatically or otherwise for any purpose whatsoever The annual license tax imposed by this act shall be as follows (a) On all such machines and devices in which coins of the denomination of one cent only can be dropped or inserted the sum of one dollar (b) On all such machines and devices in which coins of the denomination from one cent to and including five cents can be dropped or inserted the sum of two dollars (c) On all such machines and devices in which coins of the denomination of five cents and over can be dropped or inserted or in which only coins of a denomination greater than five cents can be dropped or inserted the sum of five dollars

Section 2 After December thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen it shall be unlawful for any owner lessee or possessor of any automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machine or device to operate or permit to be operated any such machine or device or to place or have in any place or position where the same may be operated any such machine or device unless there is securely attached thereto a license from the Auditor General as hereinafter provided

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 Before January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and before the first day of January of each succeeding year every owner lessee or possessor of every automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machine or device shall make application to the Auditor General for a license for each such machine or device which application shall be accompanied by a fee of one dollar Such license shall be made of metal and shall have stamped thereon the words "Licensed machine" together with the year for which issued and which when issued shall be securely attached to such machine or device in a conspicuous place All licenses shall expire on the thirty-first day of December of the year for which issued

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The Speaker. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 2, line 28, by striking out "a" and inserting in lieu thereof "the proper."

Amend section 3, page 2, line 29, by striking out "of one dollar."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 4 The application for a license for each machine or device shall be made separately on a blank to be provided for that purpose by the Auditor General In cases however where application is made by any one person for licenses for a number of machines or devices of the same make and character and devoted to the same purposes one application shall be considered sufficient for any number of such machines or devices Such application shall in each case specify the character of the machine or device for which the license is requested together with the purpose to which such machine or device is devoted

Section 5 All moneys collected or received by the Auditor General for such licenses shall be immediately converted into the State Treasury and shall be kept in a separate fund and shall be used only for the construction reconstruction and improvement of State and State-aid roads and all such moneys are hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department and shall be paid from the State Treasury upon requisition of the Highway Commissioner after audit and approval by the Auditor General in the usual manner

Section 6 Every owner lessee or possessor of any automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machine or device who shall operate or permit any such machine or device to be operated or who shall place or have in any position or place where the same may be operated any such machine or device without the license required

by this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each and every offense The having of any one machine or device contrary to the provisions of this act shall constitute a separate offense

Section 7 This act shall not be construed to permit the licensing or operation of any gambling machine or device or any other machine or device the use of which is now prohibited by law

Section 8 All automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices operated contrary to the provisions of this act shall be confiscated by the police authorities of any municipality or any constable of any township or borough

Section 9 The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the Auditor General for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen for the purpose of providing the licenses required by this act and for clerical assistance and incidental expenses connected with the enforcement of this act

The title was read as follows:

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act providing for the confiscation of certain machines and making an appropriation

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 4, by inserting after the word "general": the following: "declaring the purposes for which such license taxes are to be used and making an appropriation thereof."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1033, entitled

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents, to partitions in the Common Pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators, to pleadings in certain actions of debt, to action of ejectments, to the protection of fences, to partnerships, to limitations of writs of entry in manors, lands, and tenements, to the exemption laws, to reports of the Supreme Court, to appeals relating to wards, boroughs, and township officers, to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates," by regulating the number of appraisers.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the fifth section of an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twelve) entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates" as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy-seven) entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one entitled 'An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates' by regulating the appointment and number of appraisers" which reads as follows

"Section 5 That hereafter the widow or the children of any decedent dying within this Commonwealth testate or intestate may retain either real or personal property belonging to said estate to the value of three hundred dollars and the same shall not be sold but suffered to remain for the use of the widow and family and it shall be the duty of the exceutor or administrator of such decedent to have the said property appraised in the same manner as is provided in the act passed the ninth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine entitled 'An Act to exempt property to the value of three hundred dollars from levy and sale on execution and distress for rent' but the appraisement shall be made by the appraisers appointed to appraise the other personal estate of the decedent Provided That this section shall not affect or impair any liens for the purchase money of such real estate and the said appraisement upon being signed and certified by the appraisers and approved by the orphans' court shall be filed among the records thereof Provided however That should any of such appraisers be unable to make the appraisement provided for by this act the orphans' court of the proper county may appoint a properly qualified appraiser to act in the place of said apraiser of the other personal estate of the decedent" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 5 That hereafter the widow or children of any decedent dying within this Commonwealth testate or intestate may retain either real or personal property belonging to said estate to the value of three hundred dollars and the same shall not be sold but suffered to remain for the use of the widow and family and it shall be the duty of the executor or administrator of such decedent to have the said property appraised in the same manner as is provided in the act passed the ninth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine entitled "An Act to exempt propeerty to the value of three hundred dollars from levy and sale on execution and distress for rent" but the number of appraisers required to make said appraisement shall be two who shall be the same as those appointed to appraise the other personal estate of the decedent Provided That this section shall not affect or impair any liens for the purchase money of such real estate and the said appraisement upon being signed and certified by the appraisers and approved by the orphans' court shall be filed among the records thereof Provided however That should any of such appraisers be unable to make the appraisement provided for by this act the orphans' court of the proper county may appoint a properly qualified appraiser to act in the place of said appraiser of the other personal estate of the decedent

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. JAMES A. CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 17, by striking out "decendent" and inserting in lieu thereof "decedent."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The preamble was read as follows:

Wheeras Uncertainty has arisen under the act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and twelve) as amended by the act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred and seventy-seven) and under the act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred and seventy-five) as to the number of appraisers required to appraise the property to the value of three hundred dollars to be set aside to the widow or children of decedents and as to the number of appraisers required to appraise the property to the value of five thousand dollars to be set aside to the widow or widower under certain circumstances as provided for in the act approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws eighty-seven) as amended by the act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy-five) therefore

On the question

Will the House agree to the preamble?

Mr. JAMES A. CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend page 2, line 4, by striking out "days" and inserting in lieu thereof "day."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the preamble as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions of judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates" by regulating the numberof appraisers

And said bill having been read at leugth the second time, and agreed to as amended,
Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-five entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia"

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eight of an act approved the fifth day of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia" which reads as follows

"Section 8 The said magistrates shall be paid by the said city for their services and to cover the expenses for rent of a suitable place in which to hold said court (to be selected by the magistrates of said courts respectively) and for the dockets blank books legal blanks and stationary for the use of said magistrate courts a salary of three thousand dollars per annum to be paid in quarterly payments on the first Mondays of July October January and April in each and every year and it shall be the duty of the Councils of said city to appropriate annually a sufficient sum to pay said salaries and the said dockets blank books and legal blanks shall be uniform in character" be amended so as to read as follows

Section 8 The said magistrates shall be paid by the said city for their services and to cover the expenses for rent of a suitable place in which to hold said court (to be selected by the magistrates of said courts respectively) and for the dockets blank books legal blanks and stationery for the use of said magistrate courts a salary of four thousand dollars per annum to be paid in monthly payments on the first Monday of each month in each and every year and it shall be the duty of the councils of said city to appropriate annually a sufficient sum to pay said salaries and the said dockets blank books and legal blanks shall be uniform in character

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. BRADY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 1, by striking out "stationary" and inserting in lieu thereof "stationery."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 15, by striking out "stationary" and inserting in lieu thereof "stationery."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia"

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. BRADY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title by adding the words "increasing salaries."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 954, as follows:

An Act regulating hunting trapping and fishing on unseated and auxiliary forest reserve alnds providing for the propagation of game and fish on such lands and providing penalties for violations

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter any person trespassing upon any lands classed as "unseated lands" or "auxiliary forest reserve lands" within this Commonwealth for the purpose of hunting trapping or fishing shall be liable in an action of trespass only to the owner lessee or occupant for the damages from the act or acts of such person to said lands

Section 2 Any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace upon information or complaint made bofer him by ajdavit of the violation of the provisions of this act shall issue his warrant under his hand and seal directed to any constable or warden of the county to cause such person to be arrested and brought before said magistrate alderman or justice of the peace who shall hear and determine the guilt or innocence of the person so charged and if guilty the amount of damage done

Section 3 Upon conviction such person shall pay a penalty in a sum sufficient to cover the damage done and the cost of prosecution and in default of the payment of such penalty and costs shall be committed to the county jail of the proper county for a period not exceeding three months The penalty herein provided shall be deemed to be the full and complete penalty for any trespass on unseated lands or auxiliary forest reserve lands except as further herein provided

Section 4 Whenever any person association co-partnership or corporation shall desire to undertake the propagation of game or fish on any unseated lands or auxiliary forest reserve lands they shall make application to the Board of Game Commissioners or to the Department of Fisheries as the case may be to secure the required propagating license The application shall be accompanied by an accurate description of the lands to be used for the propagation of the game or fish If the application is granted the owner lessee or occupant of said lands shall post the lands to be so devoted to the propagation of game or fish as a game or fish propagating plant or area Trespassing on such lands shall be punishable as above provided and in addition by a fine of twenty-five dollars ($25.00)

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. MERVINE. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Game for the purpose of amendment.
Mr. CHARLES A. SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 119, as follows:

An Act authorizing a State Association of Township Supervisors and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof by the respective counties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the formation of a State Association of Township Supervisors of Townships of the second class is hereby authorized The association shall hold annual meetings at such time and place within the Commonwealth as it may designate for the purpose of discussing various questions and subjects pertaining to the duties of township sueprvisors and for the purpose of devising uniform economical and efficient methods of administering the affairs of townships

Section 2 Each county association of township supervisors and commissioners shall send one township supervisor for each ten townships of the second class or fraction thereof withi said county as a delegate to each annual meeting of said State Association

Section 3 The expenses of the delegates attending the annual meeting shall not exceed three dollars per day for each delegate for not more than three days together with the actual mileage and shall be paid by the respective county associations

Section 4 The expenses of the annual meeting including expenses of committees printing and stenographers shall be paid pro rata by the respective county associations and shall not exceed ten dollars for each county association

Section 5 Within thirty days after each annual meeting of the State Association the treasurer of the respective county association shall file with the county treasurer an itemized statement under oath setting forth where and when the annual meeting of the State Association was held the number of delegates from the respective association in attendance and the expenditures due from the county Association for such annual meeting

Section 6 The county treasurer shall pay to the treasurer of the respective county association out of the county funds the amount expended by the county association under the provisions of this act

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 221, as follows:

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fiixng the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" by including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the second section of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" which as amended by an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred sixty) entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" reads as follows

"Section 2 That all county and city inspectors so appointed shall be supplied at the expense of their respective counties and cities with standard tests of weights and measures in conformity with those established by the Government of the United States or the Bureau of Standards of the State and the laws of this Commonwealth and to ensure the accuracy of these tests they shall be compared with the standard tests to be purchased by the Secretary of Internal Affairs and when so compared and their correctness established they shall be so stamped or marked in such manner as may be established by the rules and regulations hereinbefore referred to to be put in force by said Secretary of Internal Affairs and approved by the Governor of the Commonwealth

Each inspector shall report in writing at least once every month to the chief of the State Bureau of Standards upon blanks furnished by the chief Such report shall contain (1) The number of tests made since the last preceding report (2) The number of weights measures and balances found by such tests to be correct (3) The number of weights measures and balances found by such tests to be false (4) The number of prosecutions instituted by such inspector since the last preceding report together with the name of the accused the title of the court where prosecution was instituted and the result of such prosecution (5) Such other matters as the chief may from time to time prescribe

The inspectors shall take charge of and safely keep the proper standards They shall be furnished by the chief of the Bureau of Standards of this Commonwealth with full specifications of tolerances and allowances to be used by them in the performance of their duties Each inspector shall have power within his respective jurisdiction to test all instruments and devices used in weighing or measurnig anything sold or to be sold and seal the same if found to be correct Such test shall include all appliances connected or used with such instruments or devices For the purpose of making such test each inspector at any reasonable time and without formal warrant may enter upon any premises and may on any public highway stop any vendor or dealer or the agent or servant of such vendor or dealer or stop any vehicle used in delivering any commodity which is weighed or measured as delivered He may condemn and mark as condemned or may seize any false or illegal instrument or device used or intended to be used in weighing or measuring If he shall seize any such instrument or device he shall retain possession thereof until it shall have been used as evidence in any prosecution under the laws of this Commonwealth relating to weights and measures or to the sale of commodities After the determination of such prosecution the false or illegal instrument or device shall be destroyed unless otherwise ordered by the proper court" is further amended to read as follows

Section 2 That all county and city inspectors so appointed shall be supplied at the expense of their respective counties and cities with standard tests of weights and measures in conformity with those established by the Government of the United States or the Bureau of Standards of the State and the laws of this Commonwealth and to ensure the accuracy of these tests they shall be compared with the standard tests to be purchased by the Secretary of Internal Affairs and when so compared and their correctness established they shall be so stamped or marked in such maner as may be established by the rules and regulations hereinbefore referred to to be put in force by said Secretary of Internal Affairs and approved by the Governor of the Commonwealth

Each inspector shall report in writing at least once every month to the chief of the State Bureau of Standards upon blanks furnished by the chief Such report shall contain (1) The number of tests made since the last preceding report (2) The number of weights measures and balances found by such tests to be correct (3) The number of weights measures and balances found by such tests to be false (4) The number of prosecutions instituted by such inspector since the last preceding report together with the name of the accused the title of the court where the prosecution was instituted and the result of such prosecution (5) Such other matters as the chief may from time to time prescribe

The inspectors shall take charge of and safely keep the proper standards They shall be furnished by the chief of the Bureau of Standards of this Commonwealth with full specifications of tolerances and allowances to be used by them in the performance of their duties Each inspector shall have power within his respective jurisdiction to test all instruments and devices used in weighing or measuring anything sold or to be sold including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines and seal the same if found to be correct Such test shall include all appliances connected or used with such instruments or devices For the purpose of making such test each inspector at any reasonable time and without formal warrant may enter upon any premises and may on any public highway stop any vendor or dealer or the agent or servant of such vendor or dealer or stop any vehicle used in delivering any commodity which is weighed or measured as delivered He may condemn and mark as condemned or may seize any false or illegal instrument or device used or intended to be used in weighing or measuring If he shall seize any such instrument or device he shall retain possession thereof until it shall have been used as evidence in any prosecution under the laws of this Commonwealth relating to weights and measures or to the sale of commodities After the determination of such prosecution the false or illegal instrument or device shall be destroyed unless otherwise ordered by the proper court

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1111 (Senate Bill No. 492), entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1038 (Senate Bill No. 156), entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, March 28, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), entitled An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be recalled from the House of Representatives for further amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution from the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 783 (Senate Bill No. 147), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the term of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the term of inspectors now in office

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 957 (Senate Bill No. 148), entitled

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws authorizing the appointment of the commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1110 (Senate Bill No. 487), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

Whereas, The General Assembly on January 29th, 1917, adopted a Concurrent Resolution directing that the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should furnish, not later that March 1st, 1917, full information regarding the items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the State Government for the appropriation period ending May 31st, 1917, together with the amount expended from such appropriations up to December 31st, 1916, and the estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the State Government for the two years beginning June 1st, 1917, and

Whereas, The said Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has not at the present time, almost one month later than the date set by the previous resolution, furnished the General Assembly or the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives such information as would assist in the completion of the fiscal legislation necessary to be enacted at this session of the Legislature, and the work of the Legislature and its Committees has thereby been hindered and delayed.

Therefore, be it resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the said Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby directed to complete its report and send the same to both branches of the Legislature not later than Monday, April 2nd, 1917, together with the facts, data and information accompanying the same upon which said report is based, and in case of the failure or refusal of the said Economy and Efficiency Commission to complete and send its report as aforesaid, that the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives are hereby instructed to proceed with the preparation and introduction of the General Appropriation Bill without further delay, and to obtain the necessary information by public hearings or otherwise which will enable them to proceed with the work with which they are entrusted.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution from the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 958 (Senate Bill No. 196), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 934 (Senate Bill No. 205), entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbier, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas

of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 938 (Senate Bill No. 219), entitled

An Act to authorize counties, cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men and providing labor and material in and about the erection, alteration, addition and repair of public buildings.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 936 (Senate Bill No. 212), entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1099 (Senate Bill No. 355), entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered To be transcribed for a third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE RESOLUTION AMENDED BY SENATE RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives, as follows viz:

In the House of Representatives.

Whereas The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the Foreign Affairs of the Nation

Therefore Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men women and children and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendment as follows:

Amend by striking out all of line 3, after the word "Nation" and all of lines 4, 5 and 6.

On the question

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, this resolution endorses the President and reflects in some manner upon the Senators of the United States who refused to concur in the passage of the "Armed Ship Bill." As I understand the amendment, it strikes out all reference to the Senators who filibustered against this bill. At the request of the members of the House I consented to the elimination of the word "unpatriotic" and the House thereupon adopted the resolution without a division and only one member of the House, if I recollect, voted no. Now, Mr. Speaker, this resolution has created some interest and has been discussed in the public press. There ought not to be at this time any hesitation of the members in this House in taking a stand firmly behind the President. It was argued that those Senators who are relieved from reflection by the amendments adopted by the Senate were sincere. I grant you that. Every man is sincere, but sometimes his sincerity is against the public interest, and when that sincerity is carried to such an extent where physical force is used to prevent the adoption of a bill, as it was in this case, which had passed the lower by an enormous majority, only ten or twelve dissenting votes, there ought not to be any hesitation on the part of anybody to express his opinion in a crisis such as now confronts the nation in the conduct of its policies. Those who remained loyal to the Crown during the Revolution were sincere. They called themselves Loyalists, but to this day Americans call them Tories. Those who remained loyal to the South during the War of the Rebellion in 1861 were sincere, but they were called traitors and rebels. Now, Mr. Speaker, since this has been made an issue, this House ought to stand up and say whether or not it agrees with the handful of Senators who prevented the action of the President in arming the ships and protecting American lives. The action of those few Senators was heralded in the German papers as a great victory for pacifists and as an indication that this nation was divided, and that we did not care to protect our rights on the high seas. Under those circumstances I think that there ought to be some reflection and condemnation upon those Senators. The tendency of their action as the resolution says embarrassed and hampered the National administration in the conduct of the affairs of our foreign relations. And I trust the House will refuse to concur in the amendments.

I move you, Mr. Speaker, that the House refuse to concur in the amendments.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I want to say to the House that I am rather surprised that the resolution was not adopted in the shape in which it stood when it left the House. I regret very much that it comes back to us in an amended form and if the members wish at this time not to concur in the amendments of the Senate, after voting upon it, I propose to move that a conference of three or five be appointed to meet with a committee of the Senate and see whether the resolution cannot be amended in a manner agreeable to both the House and the Senate. It seems to me that when a great State like Pennsylvania, that has contributed so largely in the nation's history, and has been looked upon at all times, at all critical moments, with the respect, I think it puts us in a bad light in the nation to be found quibbling in these trying times. I stated to you a few weeks ago that I was satisfied with everything in the resolution but the word "unpatriotic." That word was eliminated, and I cheerfully seconded every other proposition.

I do not approve of the course they took, and I do not do so now, but I believe that in the interest of the Commonwealth after we vote not to concur, a committee should

be appointed to see if we cannot amend the resolution satisfactory to both chambers of this Legislature.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

They were not concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate that the House has non-concurred in the amendments made by Senate.

Mr. BEYER. If I am in order I would move you that a committee of three be appointed to concur with a similar committee of the Senate.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Philadelphia is not in order until the Senate has been notified upon our non-concurrence. They may recede or they may stand on the amendments.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to Senate bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 8

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

Senate Bill No. 34

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 319

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent, stationery, postage, telegrams, express charges, instruments, typewriters, furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 368

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thonsand and not more than fourteen hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend the title by inserting after the word "thousand" in the third line the words "and not more than fourteen hundred thousand."

Amend section 1, line 7, by inserting after the word "thousand" the words "and not more than fourteen hundred thousand;" line 2, page 2, by striking out the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—162.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKay,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Mehring,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Mervine,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Golder,	Michel,	Sones,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Sprowls,
Black,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Brady,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stoffiet,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Musser,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Urich,
Conner,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Wagner,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Rich,	Walter,
Curry,	Jones,	Richards,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Robertson,	West,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dean,	Leary,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Eby,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wynne,
			Zanders,

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 250

An Act relating to limited partnerships Contents

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend section 19, page 12, line 19, by striking out "lmited" and inserting "limited."

Amend section 21, page 13, line 4, by striking out "Patrner" and inserting "partner."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were as follows, viz:

YEAS—169.

Albee,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Aron,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Aston,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Baker,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Baldi,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Barner,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Bechtold,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hess,	Musser,	Stern,

Bovee,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stites,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Canon,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Taylor,
Clements,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Urich,
Cook,	Jack,	Rich,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Walker,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Rinn,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Ross,	Wells,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	West,
Dean,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Scott,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Maurer,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wood,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Shattuck,	Woodward,
Eby,	McCullough,	Showalter,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McKay,	Siggins,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Simpson,	
Flynn,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 267

An Act to amend sections one, two, three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines, and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

In the title strike out the following:

To amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines"

and insert in lieu thereof the following:

To amend sections one two three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

Beginning with line 4 in section 1, strike out all of sections 1, 2 and 3, and insert the following:

Section one of the act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to appoint a sufficient number of suitable persons in each city township borough and ward in their county other than those prescribed by law for the care of paupers and the custody of criminals whose duty it shall be upon application made to them to look after and cause to be buried in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial ground other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead at an expense to their county not exceeding fifty ($50.00) dollars the body of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamations issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death And the persons who shall be so appointed shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the county commissioners and shall serve without compensation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners of each county in this State are hereby authorized and directed to expend the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00) toward the funeral expenses of any honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine who served or who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was or shall hereafter be engaged or who served or shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed or shall hereafter exist in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and shall hereafter die within their county or shall die beyond their county and shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death

Section 2 That section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 It shall be the duty of the persons so appointed in each city township borough and ward in each county before assuming the charge and expense of the burial of the body of any deceased soldier sailor or marine under the provisions of this act first to satisfy themselves by a careful inquiry into and examination of all the circumstances in the case of such deceased soldier sailor or marine whose body they are called upon to bury that he served in the army or navy of the United States during a war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition or war existed in the United States or any foreign cuontry or territory or upon the high seas or was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and died in their county or having died beyond their county shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death whereupon if they are satisfied that such facts exist they shall take charge of the body of such deceased soldier sailor or marine and cause it to be buried in the manner mentioned in the first section of this act and thereupon they shall immediately report their action in the case to the county commissioners of their county setting forth the facts ascertained by them together with the name rank and command to which such accused soldier sailor or marine belonged at the time of his service the character of his occupation immediately preceding his death the date of his death and place of burial and also an accurately itemized statement of the expenses incurred in and about the said burial which report shall be duly attested by three reputable persons of full age who have knowledge of the facts" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners before making any payment for the funeral expenses for the burial of the body of any deceased soldier sailor or marine under the provisions of this act first to satisfy themselves by a careful inquiry into and examination of all the circumstances in the case of such

deceased soldier sailor or marine that he served in the army or navy of the United States during a war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States where a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and was honorably discharged or relieved from such service and died in their county or having died beyond their county shall have had a legal residence within their county at the time of his death

Section 3 That section three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon receiving the reports and statements of expenses from their appointees under the provisions of this act to transcribe in a book to be kept for the purpose all the facts contained in such reports and statements and to draw warrants upon the treasurer of their county for the payment of such expenses not exceeding however the said sum of fifty ($50.00) dollars on each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable to the persons appointed under the provisions of this act who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State to draw a warrant upon the treasurer of their county in the sum of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars for each body buried in accordance with the provisions of this act to be paid out of the funds of the county and such warrants shall be made payable only to the person or persons who shall have buried the bodies for which the warrants are to be so drawn

Section 4 That section four of said act which reads as follows

"Section 4 All public officers agents and servants and all officers agents and servants of any county city township borough district or other municipality or of any almshouse prison morgue hospital home or other public institution having the control over the body of a deceased honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine whose body is entitled to be buried under the provisions of this act shall immediately on the death of any such soldier sailor and marine notify the person or persons in the immediate or adjoining district who has or have been appointed by the county commissioners under the provisions of this act to take charge of the burial of such honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines of the death of such soldier sailor and marine whereupon it shall be the duty of the said person or persons to take charge of the said body and bury it in accordance with the provisions of this act" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 All public officers agents and servants and all officers agents and servants of any county city township borough district or other municipality or of any almshouse prison morgue hospital home or other public institution having the control or custody of the body of any deceased honorably discharged soldier sailor or marine whose body is entitled to be buried under the provisions of this act shall immediately upon the death of any such soldier sailor or marine notify the county commissioners of said county wherein such death may have occurred

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—173.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Sones,
Black,	Haight,	Milner,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Helt,	Musser,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Neary,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stites,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Horne,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Taylor,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Urich,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rich,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dell,	Lauler,	Rinn,	West,
Dewey,	Leary,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Drake,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 268

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

In section 1, page 2, line 16, strike out the following:

May cause to be buried the body of the widow of any person who served in the army or navy of the United States in any war in which the United States was engaged which widow shall hereafter die in their county leaving insufficient means to defray her necessary burial expenses The expenses to the county for any such burial shall not exceed the sum of seventy-five dollars.

and insert in lieu thereof the following:

In each county are hereby authorized and directed to expend the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00) toward the funeral expenses of any widow of any person who served in the army or navy of the United States during any war in which the United States was engaged or served in the army or navy of the United States were a state or condition of war existed in the United States or any foreign country or territory or upon the high seas or who was in active service in the militia of the State of Pennsylvania under and in pursuance of any proclamation issued by the Governor during the Civil War and not duly mustered into the service of the United States and who was honorably discharged or relieved from such service upon due proof being made of such facts.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171.

Albee,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Aron,	Golder,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Baker,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Barner,	Haight,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Black,	Hess,	Murphy,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stadtlander,
Brumbaugh,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Horne,	Phillips,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Horton,	Pickering,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Hough,	Powell,	Strauss,
Christman,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Swartz,
Conner,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Taylor,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Ulsh,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Urich,

Curry,	Laucks,	Richards,	Vickerman,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Vogdes,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Walker,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Wallace,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Walter,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Weimer,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wells,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Eby,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Williams, G. W.
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Williams, J. P.,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wobensmith,
Flynn,	McKay,	Scott,	Woodward,
Fowler,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Franklin,	McNichol,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Fretz,	McPeake,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Gans,	McVicar,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 386, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1087, entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia; providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1071, entitled

An Act granting to the Borough of Norristown a right of way over the lands of the State Hospital for the Insane of the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania at Norristown and providing for the payment of damages.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1090, entitled

An Act supplementing and amending section ten (10) of an act, entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia, prescribing its jurisdiction and powers, providing for the service of its writs, process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therin, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof," approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by adding the words "and injuries to property" following the words "personal injuries," so that the exception in the said section shall read: "Except that in actions for damages for personal injuries and injuries to property it shall have jurisdiction where the sum demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00)."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 891, entitled

An Act authorizing the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities to transfer patients or inmates of hospitals for the insane to other such hospitals and providing for maintenance of patients after transfer.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 498 (Senate Bill No. 52, entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products or any other products and prescribing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. FITZGIBBON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 72, File Folio 1043, from page 9 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed for the present.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 72, entitled

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—159.

Albee,	Eby,	Lohr,	Sarig,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	Luppert,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Arthur,	Erdman,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Fackler,	McCaig,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Fitzgibbon,	McCullough,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Flynn,	McCurdy,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	McKay,	Simpson,
Barner,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Geary,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	McVicar,	Smith, F. I.,
Benninger,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Smith, J. W.,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Mehring,	Smith, O. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Mervine,	Somerman,
Black,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hess,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Christman,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Clements,	Hibshman,	Perry,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Hollern,	Powell,	Walker,
Cox,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Walter,
Crosby,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Weimer,
Curry,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Jack,	Ringler,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Jones,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Laucks,	Rogers,	Wood,
Donneley,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Leary,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
			Zanders.

NAYS—12.

Campbell, J. O.,	Horne,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Rudisill,	Sweitzer,
Dithrich,	McKinney,	Showalter,	West,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 170.

Mr. LEWIS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 170, File Folio 1029, entitled

An Act to repeal part of section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred

ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

being the first bill on page 5 of the calendar of March 22, 1917, and which was defeated on final passage, be reconsidered.

The SPEAKER. How did the gentleman vote?
Mr. LEWIS. Mr. Speaker, I voted "no".
Mr. EBY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.
The SPEAKER. How did the gentleman vote?
Mr. EBY. Mr. Speaker, I voted "no".
On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, a number of the members of the House were under the impression that this measure would reduce the revenues of the state, whereas it is a revenue measure and is estimated will bring between three hundred thousand dollars and four hundred thousand dollars into the state treasury. It is a just measure. It takes away from the bankers the privilege of paying ten mills on their capital stock and paying nothing at all on the surplus and undivided profits, and this bill is to put all banks on the same basis. We are passing measures here appropriating money and also those raising revenue. The state always needs revenue, and as I said, this bill will provide between three and four hundred thousand dollars, and I think the bill ought to be reconsidered and given some discussion. It was passed by the Ways and Means Committee without objection. We fixed the date for a hearing, but not a single banker in the state appeared to object to it. I have a number of letters and many of the members here have letters, of course, not from the ones that pay on the short rate, in favor of the bill. No doubt many of the members have been solicited to vote against the bill by bankers that pay on the short rate. It is a just bill in my opinion, and I think if the members of this body will investigate the matter they will support it.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I hope that the members of this House will all carefully consider this bill. Your institutions under the present law—all banks have the option of either paying one per cent. flat rate on their capital stock at par or paying four mills on their capital stock, surplus and undivided profits.

Of all the matters of unfair taxation in Pennsylvania, I think that you must agree with me that this is the most inequitable. There are banks in this state whose capital stock is worth thirty-two hundred dollars a share. There is one in the western part of the state that is worth twelve hundred dollars a share. They pay only tax on the basis of one hundred dollars par value of a share. This matter has been passed upon by almost all the tax commissions that have been appointed by the different municipalities in the state for the investigation of that question and they have, so far as I know, unanimously reported that this bill should be enacted into law. We are here doing our best, at least we should be, to raise revenue for this state. Now, if we fail to make equal and fair the taxes on the banks of this Commonwealth, how can we then turn around and add additional taxes to secure interests and other property in this state. Banks that do a great business find it to their advantage to pay one per cent. flat on their stock while banks perhaps next door that have a small surplus and have a large capitalization will find it to their advantage to pay one per cent, and by so doing pay two and three times as much taxes as the big and wealthy bank next door. I wish to state to you, gentlemen, one example: I know of a national bank that has a capitalization of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; they have surplus and undivided profits of almost two million dollars. They pay fifteen hundred a year to this state. Right next door there is another bank that is capitalized at three hundred thousand dollars and do perhaps one-fifth of the business and their surplus and undivided profits is about one-tenth as much as the other bank, but they pay three thousand dollars and that under the same option because it is to their advantage. It has been estimated by the Taxation Commission in the City of Pittsburgh, appointed by the Mayor for the purpose of investigating this question, that upon the repeal of this option and making taxes on banks equitable and fair and just to all banks, that the revenues of this state will be increased yearly in the amount of about four hundred thousand dollars. This is a large item and we should not overlook it. I want to say to the gentlemen of this House that if we refuse to equalize the taxation on national banks we not only do injustice to a large number of the banks in this state but we put ourselves on record, if you please, so that it will be at least very embarrassing for us to turn around and add taxes to other corporations and leave these banks off in the state by paying a very small portion of the taxes that they should pay. I don't believe there in a National bank in Pennsylvania that will come out in the open and oppose this bill. It is very natural that they should oppose it because it will add to their taxes, but the proposition of repealing this option is so fair and so just that I don't believe there is a bank in the State but what would be compelled to admit to you that the bill is fair and just and should be passed. Gentlemen, I ask you to vote to reconsider this bill.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the motion?
It was agreed to.
On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 43, entitled

An Act to provide badges for the officers and enlisted men who served in the army and navy of the United States during the Spanish war and Philippine insurrection and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—182.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Baker,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Showalter,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Barner,	Glass,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. L.,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Black,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Milner,	Snyder,
Bovee,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Somerman,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Brady,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Burnett,	Helt,	Musser,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Strauss,
Clements,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Hough,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rich,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Richards,	Wells,
Dean,	Leary,	Ringler,	West,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

REASON FOR NOT VOTING.

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I decline to have my vote recorded on this bill because I would be entitled to one of these badges under the law.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman's name will not be recorded.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted, and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary,' approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three," so that said bridges may be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without advertising for bids, if done under the supervision of the county commissioners.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. McPEAKE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer an amendment at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 9, by striking out "as amended."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendment at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendment will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

Mr. BOUTON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the sponsor to explain the purpose of the bill and the amendment.

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McPEAKE. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 879, as follows:

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to townships, supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any burial ground is being neglected so as to become a nuisance even though said burial ground may occasionally be used for burial purposes the court of quarter sessions of the county in which such burial ground is situated may direct that such burial ground be placed in care of the township supervisor of the township under the direction and supervision of said court

Section 2 That upon the petition of twenty-five or more citizens residing within a radius of five miles of any such burial ground to the court of quarter sessions the said court may order and direct the township supervisors of the township to cut down in the months of June and August of each year all brush grass briars and weeds growing in such burial ground and to remove the same and place such grounds in good order and condition

The cost thereof shall be paid out of the township treasury.

Section 3 Such burial grounds shall remain open to the public according to such regulations as may be made by the said court

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—97.

Aron,	Dunn,	Leary,	Ross,
Aston,	Eby,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,
Baker,	Erdman,	Luppert,	Ruddy,
Baldridge,	Fackler,	Marvin,	Rudisill,
Barner,	Fitzgibbon,	Maurer,	Sarig,
Benchoff,	Geary,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Benninger,	Glass,	McCurdy,	Showalter,
Black,	Golder,	McKay,	Shunk,
Bouton, V. B.,	Goodwin,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Brady,	Graeff,	Mehring,	Smith, F. L.,
Burnett,	Haldeman,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Musser,	Strauss,
Christman,	Horne,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Cox,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Curry,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Davis, W.,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wickman,
Dean,	Jones,	Rich,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Wylie,
Donneley,	Lauler,		

NAYS—39.

Albee,	Heffernan,	Reitzel,	Speicher,
Bechtold,	Heyburn,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	McArdle,	Rininger,	Stern,
Bidelspacher,	Miller, C. G.,	Robertson,	Ulsh,
Boyd,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sampsel,	Vickerman,
Clements,	Milliron,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Weimer,
Conner,	Mitchell,	Shattuck,	West,
Crosby,	Murdoch,	Simpson,	Williams, J. P.,
Fretz,	Ogden,	Smith, J. W.,	Wood,
Graham,	Perry,	Sones,	

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative, and the bill falls.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to divorce."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

HOUSE BILL NO. 86 MADE A SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill (House Bill No. 86, File Folio 1155) be made a special order for Tuesday, April 3, at 11.30 A. M.

Mr. REYONLDS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 735, File Folio 1009, page 9 of to-day's calendar, Bills on Third Reading Postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 735, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May ,one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners, county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—160.

Albee,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Simpson,
Aron,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Graeff,	Milner,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Snowden,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Snyder,
Black,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Somerman,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sones,
Bovee,	Hess,	Neary,	Spangler,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Speicher,
Brady,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Sprowls,
Burnett,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, T.,	Howarth,	Perry,	Steedle,
Canon,	Isherwood,	Phillips,	Sterling,
Chestnut,	Jack,	Pickering,	Stern,
Christman,	Jones,	Powell,	Stites,
Clements,	Kennedy,	Ramsey,	Stoffiet,
Conner,	Lanius,	Reichenbacker,	Strauss,
Cook,	Laucks,	Reitzel,	Sullivan,
Corbin,	Lauler,	Reynolds,	Swartz,
Crosby,	Leary,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Taylor,
Curry,	Lewis,	Rich,	Thomas,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Richards,	Ulsh,
Davis, D. F.,	Malie,	Ringler,	Urich,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Rininger,	Vogdes,
Dell,	Marvin,	Rinn,	Wagner,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Robertson,	Walker,
Drake,	McArdle,	Rogers,	Wallace,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Ross,	Walter,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Rothenberger,	Weimer,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Ruddy,	Wells,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Sampsel,	Williams, G. W.
Flynn,	McNichol,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Fowler,	McPeake,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Franklin,	McVicar,	Scott,	Wylie,
Fretz,	Mearkle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Gans,	Mehring,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Geary,	Mervine,	Shunk,	
Glass,	Michel,	Siggins,	

NAYS—5.

Barner,	Hibshman,	Hoffman,	Vickerman,
Benchoff,			

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 449, File Folio 1539, on page 7 of to-day's calendar, Bills on Final Passage Postponed, for the purpose of making and amendment to correct a typographical error.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 449, entitled

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in several counties of this Commonwealth.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which this bill passed third reading be reconsidered.

Mr. BALDRIGE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Amend title, line 2, by striking out "the."

Amend section 1, page 1, line 7, by striking out "the" after "and" and inserting in lieu thereof "they."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 333, Senate Bill No. 58, on page 9 of to-days calendar, bills on third reading postponed, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Amend section 1, page 6, line 18, by inserting after the word "estate" the words "and every power to sell in fee simple real estate."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading an consideration of House Bill No. 135, entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the county treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—176.

Albee,	Fowler,	McKay,	Shunk,
Aron,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Aston,	Gans,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Geary,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Somerman,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Milner,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Brady,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Musser,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Clements,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sweitzer,

Conner,	Horton,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Cook,	Hough,	Powell,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Dawson,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Dell,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dewey,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Drake,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Fitzgibbon,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Flynn,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,

NAYS—2.

Fackler,	Robertson,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I desire at this time to call up House Bill No. 734, File Folio 1413, on page 10 of today's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 734, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—177.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sarig,
Aron,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Scott,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baker,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Showalter,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Benninger,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Black,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Snyder,
Boyd,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Somerman,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Spangler,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Speicher,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Musser,	Sprowls,
Canon,	Hess,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Steedle,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Sterling,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stern,
Coldsmith,	Hollern,	Perry,	Stites,
Conner,	Horton,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Cook,	Hough,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rich,	Wagner,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Richards,	Wallace,
Dell,	Leary,	Ringler,	Walter,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Rinn,	Wells,
Donneley,	Malie,	Robertson,	West,
Drake,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
			Zanders,

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, I desire at this time to call up House Bill No. 815, File Folio 1003, on page 11 of today's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order ,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 815, entitled

An Act authorizing Wilbur Jones Kay, Fanny Kay, his wife, Ellingwood Kay, Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay their children, residents of the Boroughs of East Washington and Mabel Mason, resident of the Borough of Washington, all of Washington County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—178.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCullough,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fackler,	McKay,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aston,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baker,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stern,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stites,
Boyd,	Helt,	Musser,	Stofflet,
Brady,	Hess,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Haldeman,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Richards,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rinn,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Robertson,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Leary,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lewis,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Drake,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Scott,	Zanders,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Eby,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE desires to thank the members for the courteous manner in which they have expedited the business of the day.

THANKS TO THE SPEAKER PRO TEM.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to present a motion at this time and ask for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER. The motion will be read by the Clerk.

Moved by Mr. McNichol, seconded by Mr. Glass, that the thanks of the House of Repreesntatives be extended to the Honorable William T. Ramsey for the masterly manner in which he has performed the duties of Speaker Pro Tem.

The motion, put by the Chief Clerk, was unanimously agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn until next Monday night.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to and (at 1.35 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, April 2nd, 1917, at 9.00 o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, April 2, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, having exhausted almost every form of diplomacy to sustain peaceful relations between this and other countries, we are now face to face with the most serious phases of that great problem, and we pray Thee that the fullest support may be given to our President and his advisers, and that the spirit of lethargy that is no doubt brought about by wealth and prosperity may be turned into a spirit of patriotism that shall thrill the entire United States of America, not only with the duty that is before it, but with the opportunity of assisting in this great world struggle. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. BURKE, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Crawford, Mr. R. E. Smith.

Mr. McKEE asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Armstrong, Mr. J. Frank Graff.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented extracts from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which were laid upon the table.

PETITION PRAYING FOR THE PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 498.

Mr. JENKINS presented petition from the Philadelphia Board of Trade praying for the passage of Senate Bill No. 498.

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

VETO OF SENATE BILL NO. 14.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 14, entitled "An Act to amend part of clause (d) section seven of the act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-eight) entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof' as amended by providing that informations in cases of desertion and none support may be made before aldermen and justices of the peace and providing for the binding over of persons arrested on warrants issued on such informations.'"

This bill proposes to permit information or complaints in desertion and non-support cases in Allegheny County to be made before an alderman or justice of the peace as well as before the county court. The present law requires that all such cases in Allegheny County be heard before the court of record (Act of May, 1911, P. L. 198). Only the parties in interest appeared at a public hearing to support this bill. All business and civic organizations protested against its approval. The record of the court now in jurisdiction indicates that these cases are now economically and expeditiously treated and that amicable adjustments and restoration of family amity have resulted in more instances than under the old system in vogue before the Act of 1911. Since the fundamental purpose in such cases is to restore the family to a harmonious unit and since the present law does this more largely than the system this bill seeks to set up it is contrary to social progress and advancing sociological ideals to take a backward step.

For these reasons this bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

VETO OF SENATE BILL NO. 12.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 12, entitled "An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled 'An Act regulating the disposition of dockets of justices of the peace and aldermen and providing penalties.'"

In 1915 you enacted the law which this act is intended to repeal. The law provides that at the expiration of the term of office of any justice of the peace or alderman his docket if filled shall be filed with the protonotary of the courts; if not filled, the docket shall be transferred to his successor who in due time shall file it with the prothonotary. Such dockets are a public record, accessible to any citizen of the Commonwealth. The act was held to be of great importance inasmuch as it kept such dockets as official public records. Moreover, the fact that they are so preserved increases the care with which they are kept. Since these dockets contain matters of great value, especially to the poor people who are obliged to be in official contact with the minor judiciary, they ought to be preserved and made accessible. Many concrete cases have arisen under the operation of this law that prove its merits. All judicial records should be public record. All others are. These should remain so.

For these reasons this bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 191.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 191, entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled an act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to extend the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling coal tar and its products or roofing felt roofing materials and building papers or products and by products of coal and asphalt."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 82.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 82, entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act entitled 'A further supplement to an act entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise' approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 74.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 74, entitled "An Act defining optometry and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and making certain exceptions and providing a Board of Optometrical Education Examination and Licensure and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith."

In approving this bill I am not unmindful of the fact that on May 1, 1915, I withheld my approval of a bill that proposed to regulate the practice of optometry in Pennsylvania. I am still of the opinion therein set forth, but this bill now before me for action has been so drawn as to remove some of the cardinal objections to the bill. In twenty-eight states the practice of optometry is now regulated by a similar law. The uniform testimony is that the law operates beneficially. The controlling motive in the present approval of this act is my desire to drive the fakirs and scoundrels who now prey upon an unsuspecting people from the Commonwealth.

I express the hope that in the next session of the Assembly the qualifications for admission to the study of optometry may be placed upon a higher educational basis and that the courses of study leading to a license may be made dignified, thorough and adequate to the power given by the Assembly to these optometrists.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

REPORT OF THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PURSUANT TO CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

He also laid before the Senate report of the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which was read as follows:

The Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Harrisburg, April 2, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with a concurrent resolution adopted by your Honorable bodies January 29, 1917, which reads as follows:

"Whereas, The General Appropriation Bill enacted by the General Assembly of 1915 provided money in accordance with Section fifteen of Article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth; and

"Whereas, The appropriation period covered by the General Appropriation Bill of 1915 will expire May 31, 1917;

"Therefore, Be it resolved (if the House of Representatives concur) the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed to furnish not later than March 1, 1917, the following information:

"First: Items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

"Second: The amount expended from each appropriation between June 1, 1915, and December 31, 1916.

"Third: The estimated needs of each department, commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917."

I beg to hand you herewith the statistical data compiled by this Commission in pursuance of the mandate of your resolution.

This information in full was ready for submission to your Honorable bodies at the time indicated. You were not then in session. Meanwhile arrangements were made to have meetings of the Economy and Efficiency Commission, and the respective Chairman of the Appropriation Committees of the Senate and House with the heads of the several Executive and other State Departments. These meetings began on March 14, 1917, upon the return of the Appropriation Committees from a tour of the institutions throughout the State seeking appropriation. The Commission therefore, did submit this information in this manner to your responsible Chairman, and have steadily since with them sat in conference to hear the reasons for departmental appropriations and to secure such reductions as a sound economy and a due efficiency could support, based upon the revenues of the Commonwealth.

We have also prepared and will at an early date submit a report suggesting such modifications in the organization of the several departments as will promote greater economy and efficiency or both.

Your Commission has sought by careful investigation to assist you in your work and this is to lessen the laborious task of ascertaining the necessary data to guide you in making appropriations to those departments.

Our general report has been postponed by reason of the fact that we have not as yet received any information from you of the amount of additional revenue you intend to provide for the next two fiscal years, as a result of taxing measures proposed by the Revenue Commission created for that purpose by your honorable bodies.

Information of the approximate amount of such expected additional revenue would manifestly have a material bearing upon the amounts which could be profitably expended by such of our departments as have to do vitally with the welfare of our people and the conservation and promotion of wise industrial activities in our State, and such information is essential to any suggestions which this Commission may have to submit.

When this information is given us your Commission will at once make further report to your honorable bodies or to your Appropriation Committees, as you may direct, of the sums which in our judgment will secure an economic and efficient performance of administrative duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

Yours very truly,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH, Chairman.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that five hundred copies of the report just read be printed for the use of the Senate and when printed it be referred to the joint committee considering questions of revenue, and that the report also be printed in the Appendix of the Legislative Journal.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

(For report see Appendix.)

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 2, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

John H. Armstrong, Pittsburgh.
Leo M. Dillon, Pittsburgh.
S. A. McFarland, Pittsburgh.
S. R. Swiss, Pittsburgh.
Adolph Schafer, St. Clair.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Robert L. Baker, Beaver.
William S. Duff, Woodlawn.

BLAIR COUNTY.

Mrs. Elizabeth Giacchelli, Altoona.

BRADFORD COUNTY.

Chas. M. Culver, Towanda.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

Albert L. Teele, Chester.

ERIE COUNTY.

Leo Schlaudecker, Erie.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

M. N. Donnelly, Pittston.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

William H. Baum, Philadelphia.
F. J. Dembczynski, Philadelphia.
Joseph Klein, Philadelphia.
C. Linton Matthews, Philadelphia.
Miss Margaret Rosborough, Philadelphia.
Giorlando Tumolillo, Philadelphia.

POTTER COUNTY.

James E. Luby, Roulette Township.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 2, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

GREENE COUNTY.

L. W. Sayers, Waynesburg, April 8, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

Henry A. Gordon, Wilkes-Barre, April 8, 1917.

MONROE COUNTY.

Morton L. Hufford, East Stroudsburg, April 22, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

W. C. Sowerby, Philadelphia, April 7, 1917.
Amos D. Kennedy, 3rd, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
Wm. Parker Siegert, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
Wayne Herkness, Philadelphia, April 23, 1917.
Peter M. MacLaren, Philadelphia, April 24, 1917.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

William Shugg, Tamaqua, April 22, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

APPRECIATION FROM MR. WILLIAM A. MAGEE AND HIS BROTHERS FOR EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF THE LATE SENATOR CHARLES J. MAGEE.

The Chair presented the following appreciation from Mr. William A. Magee and his brothers for expression of sympathy on the death of the late Senator Charles J. Magee.

Mr. William A. Magee and his brothers acknowledge with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 250.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 267.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 267, entitled

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 268.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 43 (Senate Bill No. 718), entitled

An Act to provide badges for the officers and enlisted men who served in the army and navy of the United States during the Spanish war and Philippine insurrection and making an appropriation therefor

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 72 (Senate Bill No. 719), entitled

An Act providing for a commission to be retained upon moneys collected for certain licenses by county treasurers in counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 135 (Senate Bill No. 720), entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the clerks of the State Department in the office of the county treasurer of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 734 (Senate Bill No. 721), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 735 (Senate Bill No. 722), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 815 (Senate Bill No. 723), entitled

An Act authorizing Wilbur Jones Kay Fanny Kay his wife Ellingwood Kay Dorothy Kay and Hubert Kay their children residents of the Bououghs of East Washington and Mabel Mason resident of the Borough of Washington all of Washington county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Washington county against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

HOUSE NON-CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE TO RESOLUTION NO. 8 OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has nonconcurred in amendments made by the Senate to Resolution No. 8 of the House of Representatives, as follows:

Whereas The National Administration has been embarrassed and hampered in the conduct of the Foreign Affairs of the Nation

Therefore Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that it is the sense of this body that the Senators and Representatives of Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States should cordially and heartily support the National Administration in all efforts to protect the lives and property of Americans upon the high seas from submarine attacks as now made that President Wilson is to be commended for taking a firm stand against those barbarous methods of warfare which must necessarily cause the death of men women and children and that the manhood and resources of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged to the National Government to the end that the safety of the citizens of the United States working and traveling upon the high seas may be preserved and the dignity and honor of the United States maintained

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 539, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousnd nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act establishing a State Commission of Agriculture; defining its powers and duties, including its powers relative to the Department of Agriculture, and the State Livestock Sanitary Board,"

Also from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as amended, Senate Bill No. 379, entitled

An Act creating a Bureau of Markets for agricultural products within the Department of Agriculture, providing for the appointment of a Director of Markets and for the administration of said Bureau, prescribing the powers and duties thereof, prohibiting marketing of such products contrary to the provisions of this act, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof, and making an appropriation to the Bureau hereby created.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Education, re-reported as amended Senate Bill No. 273, entitled

An Act establishing a public school employes' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contribution by the Commonwealth and contributing employes; defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom; and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds, imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process, and providing penalties.

Mr. SEMMENS, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 334, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education; and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February twenty-third, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures;" and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

Also from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 335, entitled

An Act to amend section 2034 of Article XX of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," approved the 18th day of May, 1911, by authorizing and empowering the State Board of Education to make purchases and sales of real estate for Normal Schools purchased by the State.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as amended Senate Bill No. 216, entitled

An Act relating to the salaries and expenses of the examiners in the Department of Banking.

Mr. HALDEMAN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 702 (House Bill No. 612), entitled

An Act providing for the organization, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 703 (House Bill No. 633), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds, providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation."

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 724, entitled

An Act authorizing the board of public accounts to consider petitions for the return of moneys erroneously or inadvertently paid or covered into the State Treasury and to make such order thereupon as shall seem just and proper; providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of such claims and claims heretofore adjusted; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. BURKE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 725, entitled

An Act requiring cities of the second class to give an increase of at least one hundred and fifty dollars per year to all employes now drawing a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum or less, and providing a method to enforce the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 726, entitled

An Act granting an increase in salary to certain employes of the Commonwealth, State institutions, reformatories and penitentiaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 727, entitled

An Act for the protection of employes as voters; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also (by request) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 728, entitled

An Act conferring upon certain corporations the right to take and appropriate lands and waters for the erection of dams and reservoirs and the transportation of water for irrigating farm lands.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. CROFT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 729, entitled

An Act to provide for an additional law judge of the several courts of the Thirty-eighth Judicial District.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judicial Apportionment.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 730, entitled

An Act empowering banks and trust companies to accept drafts and issue letters of credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 731, entitled

An Act providing for the appointment and expenses of a commission of five persons to codify and revise the law relating to banks, private bankers and trust companies doing business within this Commonwealth and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 732, entitled

An Act to amend sections two and three of the act entitled "An Act to provide for the creation and maintenance of a reserve fund in all banks, banking companies, savings banks, savings institutions, companies authorized to execute trusts of any description and to receive deposits of money, which are now or which may hereafter be incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth, and in all trust companies or other companies receiving deposits of money, which may have been heretofore or which may hereafter be incorporated under section twenty-nine of the act approved April twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled 'An Act for the creation and regulation of corporations,' and the supplements hereto," approved the eighth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, by providing that a portion of such reserve fund may be deposited in any bank or trust company located in any state other than Pennsylvania which shall have been approved by the Commissioner of Banking of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 733, entitled

An Act relating to the form, execution, revocation and interpretation of wills, to nuncupative wills, to the appointment of testamentary guardians, to spendthrift trusts, to forfeiture of devise or legacy in case of murder of testator, to elections to take under or against wills, and to the recording and registering of such elections, and of decrees relative thereto and to the fees therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 734, entitled

An Act relating to the qualification, jurisdiction, powers and duties of registers of wills, and regulating proceedings before said registers, and the costs thereof, the effects of their acts, and appeals therefrom.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 735, entitled

An Act relating to the administration and distribution of the estates of decedents and of minors, and of trust estates; including the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties, liabilities, accounts, discharge and removal of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees herein designated as fiduciaries; the administration and distribution of the estates of presumed decedents; widow's and children's exemptions; debts of decedents, rents of real estate as assets for payment thereof, the lien thereof, sales and mortgages of real estate for the payment therof, judgments and executions therefor, and the discharge of real estate from the lien thereof; contracts of decedents for the sale or purchase of real estate; legacies, including legacies charged on land; the discharge of residuary estates and of real estate from the lien of legacies and other charges; the appraisement of real estate devised at a valuation; the ascertainment of the curtilage of dwelling houses or other buildings devised; the abatement and survival of actions and the substitution of executors and administrators therein, and suits against fiduciaries; investments by fiduciaries, the organization of corporations to carry on the business of decedents; the audit and review of accounts of fiduciaries; refunding bonds; transcripts to the court of common pleas of balances due by fiduciaries; the rights, powers and liabilities of non-resident and foreign fiduciaries; the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties and liabilities of trustees durante absentia; the recording and registration of decrees, reports and other proceedings, and the fees therefor; appeals in certain cases; and also generaly dealing with the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the orphans' court in all matters relating to fiduciaries concerned with the estates of decedents.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 736, entitled

An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the real and personal property of persons dying intestate, and to provide for the recording and registering of the decrees of the orphans' court in connection therewith and the fees therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 737, entitled

An Act relating to the organization, jurisdiction and procedure of the orphans' courts, the powers and duties of the judges thereof, and appeals therefrom.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 738, entitled

An Act relating to the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the orphans' court and the court of common pleas as to sales, mortgages, conveyances on ground rent, leases, extinguishment of ground rents, partition, exchange, squaring and adjusting of lines between adjoining owners, consolidation and combination of mining lands and the leasing thereof, the joining by owners of undivided interests in making and taking conveyances in order to change the route or location of any right of way or passage over adjoining or other lands, and the subdivision of premises so as to command the highest price or greatest rents, and, for such purpose, the laying out or dedication of roads, streets, and alleys or the vacation of such as have not been accepted by the public authorities, where the court shall be of opinion that such decree will be to the interest and advantage of all those interested, and where the legal title is held by minors, lunatics, habitual drunkards or weak-minded persons, a married person whose spouse is a lunatic or has abandoned him or her for one year or has been absent and unheard of for seven years, by corporations having no capacity to convey or by any unincorporated association, by any religious, beneficial or charitable society or association incorporated or unincorporated, and the title is subject to forfeiture if real estate is held in excess of the amount prescribed by its charter or by law, by a corporation or individual or individuals and is subject to a trust of any description whatever, by any person as to whom a presumption of death may have arisen, or any interest wherein is held by any person under legal dis-

ability to dispose thereof; where the legal title is an estate tail or is subject to the lien of debts of a decedent not of record, contingent remainders, executory devises, or remainders to a class, some or all of whom may not be in being or ascertained; where estates shall have been devised or granted for special or limited purposes, where there is a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise, any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise, the time limited for its exercise may have expired, or any one or more persons required to consent or join in its exercise may be non compos mentis, have removed out of the state, have died, refuse to act, unreasonably withhold consent or be absent and unheard of; where there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or will and the necessary power is not given to the executor, devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance; where a trust has been created and no power conferred on the trustee to do any of the acts which the court is hereby empowered to authorize or confirm; and to the effects of such decrees.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 739, entitled

An Act relating to the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the several orphans' courts in proceedings for the partition and valuation of real estate, and for the sale of real estate for the purpose of distribution and the fees, costs and expenses therein.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 740, entitled

An Act providing for the appointment of a commission of five persons to revise and codify the lunacy laws, and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 741, entitled

An Act to provide for a stadium in cities of the first class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. SCHANTZ read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 742, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate, and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 743, entitled

An Act to provide for the acquisition by the Commonwealth of the land required for the Fort Washington Extension of Fairmount Park and to make an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 744 entitled

An Act to regulate the practice of architecture as a profession in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; by providing for the granting of licenses to practice architecture to, and the examination and registration of, architects by a State Board of Examiners; defining the powers and duties of said Board of Examiners and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 745, entitled

An Act to validate affidavits, acknowledgments and other notarial acts, heretofore performed by notaries public of this Commonwealth, within three months after the expiration of the time for which they have been commissioned to act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 746, entitled

An Act requiring the assessors for county taxation purposes to collect certain agricultural information, and fixing the duties of the county commissioners in connection therewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. HACKETT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 747, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Home for Aged and Infirm Women, at Easton, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 748, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Easton Home for Friendless Children, at Easton, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 749, entitled

An Act amending section three of an act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment; by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof' approved the twenty-fifth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen; by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days" by providing that the restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions, hotels and boarding houses.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 750, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, approved the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1903, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the Commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial asessments, and the reassessment between the period of the triennial assessment of property, and fixing the time for the return thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 751, entitled

An Act relating to motion-picture films, reels, or stereoption views or slides; providing a system of examination, approval and regulation thereof, and of the banners, posters, and other like advertising matter used in connection therewith; creating in the Auditor General's Department a Commissioner of Amusements; and providing penalties for the violations of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

ELECTION OF DANIEL C. KELLY TO BE ASSISTANT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That Daniel T. Kelly, 1913 Irwin Street, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, be elected as Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, vice James W. Connolly, deceased.

HOUSE MESSAGE

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RELATING TO UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs

Whereas The Subject of Universal Military Training has been and will be presented to the Congress of the United States and

Whereas There should be enacted into law a Universal Military Training Bill Now therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives (if the Senate concurs) That we earnestly endorse the principle of Universal Military Training and urge upon the members of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania to aid in the enactment of such a Universal Military Training law as will now and hereafter provide for the common defence promote and maintain the general welfare safety and happiness of all the people and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity

Be it further resolved That a copy of this resolution together with the action thereon be sent to each member in the Congress of the United States from the State of Pennsylvania.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 749, entitled

An Act amending section three of an act approved the first day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment; by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof, approved the 25th day of July, A. D. 1913; by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days," by providing that the restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions, hotels and boarding houses.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 398 (House Bill No. 493), as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the head of the Department of Public Safety in each city of the second class shall divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities excepting the chief engineer and assistant chiefs into two bodies or platoons one to perform day service and the other to perform night service The hours of day service shall not exceed ten commencing at eight o'clock in the morning the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen commencing six o'clock in the afternoon In cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency the chief engineer of the bureau of fire or the assistant chief deputy or chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary No member of either of said platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day platoon or fourteen hours in the night platoon excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency as above provided" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the head of the Department of Public Safety in each city of the first and second class shall from and after the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen divide the officers and members of companies of the uniformed fire force in the employ of such cities excepting the chief engineer and assistant chiefs into two bodies or platoons one to perform day service and the other to perform night service The hours of day service shall not exceed ten commencing at eight o'clock in the morning the hours of night service shall not exceed fourteen commencing six o'clock in the afternoon In cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency the chief engineer of the bureau of fire or the assistant chief deputy or chief officer in charge at any fire shall have the power to assign all the members of the fire force to continuous duty or to continue any member thereof on duty if necessary No member of either of said platoons shall be required to perform continuous day service or continuous night service for a longer consecutive period than two weeks nor be kept on duty continuously longer than ten hours in the day platoon or fourteen hours in the night platoon excepting as may be necessary to equalize the hours of duty and service and also excepting in cases of riot serious conflagration or other such emergency as above provided

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitltion,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, for the information of the Senate, I would just like to explain what this bill means to the Philadelphia firemen. At present these men work twenty-four hours a day, with the exception of meal hours, and only one day off in six. If this bill passes, they will just work the same number of hours that other men work, and be home with their families, either night or day, which is the proper privilege workmen should have. In other words, all the time they have with their families now in six days is just while they are taking their meals, they are limited as to the time they leave the fire engine house and must be back within one hour, and in some cases less than an hour, depending upon the distance they have to go to their homes. It seems to me this is a good bill, and now since it has been amended by the Senate, will not go into effect until the first of January, 1918, giving the council of Philadelphia the necessary time to raise the money to put this act into effect. I hope the Senate will pass the bill.

And the question recurring.

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with with amendment, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 750, entitled

An Act relating to motion-picture films, reels or stereopticon views or slides; providing a system of examination, approval and regulation thereof, and of the banners, pasters, and other like advertising matter used in connection therewith; creating in the Auditor General's Department a Commissioner of Amusements; and providing penalties for the violations of this act.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 548 (House Bill No. 248), as follows:

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section thirty-five of the act approved the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" which reads as follows

"Section 35 (1) If the partnership is not dissolved because it has become unlawful to carry on the business a partner cannot after dissolution bind the partnership to third persons by any act which is not necessary to wind up the partnership affairs or to complete transactions then unfinished unless

(a) Such third person having had relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended upon the faith of the partnership has had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(b) Such third person not having had business relations with the partnership by which a credit was extended to the partnership has no knowledge or notice of the dissolution and the fact of dissolution has not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation of the place (or of each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on and in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The partnership is in no case bound by the acts of a partner who has become bankrupt but this provision does not affect the liability of any person who as declared by section sixteen after bankruptcy has represented himself or consented to another's representing him to be a partner of the bankrupt" be and the same is hereby to read as follows

Section 35 Power of partner to bind partnership to third person after dissolution) (1) After dissolution a partner can bind the partnership except as provided in paragraph (3)

(a) By any act appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or completing transactions unfinished at dissolution

(b) By any transaction which would bind the partnership if dissolution had not taken place provided the other party to the transaction

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of the dissolution or

(II) Though he had not so extended credit had nevertheless known of the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of dissolution and the fact of dissolution had not been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the place (or in each place if more than one) at which the partnership business was regularly carried on in the legal periodical if any designated by rule of court in such place or places for the publication of legal notices

(2) The liability of a partner under paragraph (Ib) shall be satisfied out of partnership assets alone when such partner had been prior to dissolution

(a) Unknown as a partner to the person with whom the contract is made and

(b) So far unknown and inactive in partnership affairs that the business reputation of the partnership could not be said to have been in any degree due to his connection with it

(3) The partnership is in no case bound by any act of a partner after dissolution

(a) Where the partnership is dissolved because it is unlawful to carry on the business unless the act is appropriate for winding up partnership affairs or

(b) Where the partner has become bankrupt or

(c) Where the partner has no authority to wind up partnership affairs except by a transaction with one who

(I) Had extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and had no knowledge or notice of his want of authority or

(II) Had not extended credit to the partnership prior to dissolution and having no knowledge or notice of his want of authority and the fact of his want of authority has not been advertised in the manner provided for advertising the fact of dissolution in paragraph (1b II)

(4) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability under section sixteen of any person who after dissolution represents himself or consents to another representing him as a partner in a partnership engaged in carrying on business

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 595, as follows:

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act in all cases in which the sheriff of any county in this Commonwealth is or shall be required by existing laws to act in person under any writ of inquisition condemnation inquiry of damages lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings partition proceedings or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the court of this Commonwealth the said sheriff may act either in person or by a regularly appointed deputy sheriff

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution.

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Hindman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SEMMENS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 280, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring County Commissioners to construct certain bridges on State highways crossing a rivulet creek or river and also a railroad track or tracks and imposing the cost of the construction and maintenance thereof on the county State and railroad company or companies in such proportions as may be determined by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county.

be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane to make good the deficit in operation of said hospital to January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 333, entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the police department in cities of the third class; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Hindman,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Craig,	Jones,	Nason,	Stewart,
Crow,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Hackett,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—3.

Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Sproul,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 346, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring certain counties in certain instances to assist townships in the construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of main travel or trunk roads other than State or State-aid highways and providing the method of procedure.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 382, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to John W. Eckenrode of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by an injury to his minor son James Robert Eckenrode, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Scnes,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 383, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for losses sustained by the death of their minor son Benjamin Rice, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Scnes,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 592, entitled

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 624, entitled

An Act dividing the Middle Coal-Field Poor District into four districts and providing for the nomination and election of a director and auditor from each district and one director at large to be elected by the voters of all the districts; fixing the time when such nominations and elections shall be held and when those elected shall take office; providing for appointments and filling of vacancies; placing the affairs of the District under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County; making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said District after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County and repealing certain acts.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Craig,	Hindman,	Nason,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Schantz,	
Eyre,	McConnell,	Semmens,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 629, entitled

An Act classifying and extending the terms of office of councilmen in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 684, on third reading, entitled

An Act relating to divorce and defining the conditions under which remarriage may be lawful by husband or wife after both separation and decree a mensa et thoro for a certain time and providing the procedure in and effect of the same.

be recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 172, as follows:

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments in the townships of the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any manufacturing corporation or industrial establishment may apply to any justice of the peace of any township in which either wholly or partly such manufacturing corporation or industrial establishment may be located or operating to commission such person or persons as said corporation or establishment may designate to act as private policemen for said corporation or establishment

Section 2 That said justice of the peace upon such application may appoint such persons or so many of them not exceeding nine in number as he may deem proper to be such policeman and he shall issue to such person or persons so appointed a commission to act as such policemen provided however that no one shall be appointed who has not been a citizen of the United States for at least one year and a resident of the county in which said corporation or establishment is located and operating for at least six months prior to such appointment

Section 3 Every such policeman shall before entering upon the duties of his office take and subscribe the oath required by the seventh article of the Constitution before the recorder of the county in which he was appointed and said oath with the commission shall be duly recorded by said recorder in the county in which such policeman was appointed and in which it is intended that he shall act and such policemen so appointed shall severally possess and exercise all the full powers of policemen in the county in which they shall be so authorized to act as aforesaid and the keepers of jails and lockups and station houses in said county are required to receive all persons arrested by such policemen for the commission of any offense against the laws of this Commonwealth or the regulations of any city borough or township thereof to be dealt with according to law

Section 4 Such corporation or establishment police shall when on duty severally wear a metallic shield with the word "police" and the name of the manufacturing corporation or industrial establishment for which appointed inscribed thereon and said shield shall always be worn in plain view except when employed as detectives

Section 5 The compensation of such police shall be paid by the corporation or establishment for which they are respectively appointed as may be agreed upon between them

Section 2 Whenever any corporation or establishment shall no longer require the services of any policemen as aforesaid they may file a notice to that effect under their seal attested by their secretary in the office where the commission of such policeman has been recorded which shall be noted by the recorder upon the margin of the record where such commission is recorded and thereupon the powers of such policeman shall cease and be determined

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 227 (House Bill No. 122), entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the 28th day of April, 1915 (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents, defin-

ing its powers and duties, regulating the printing, binding, and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 469, as follows:

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other state for the manufacture of automobiles motor trucks or other motor vehicles or of any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall and may be alwful for any company incorporated unde rthe laws of any other state for the manufacture of automobiles motor trucks or other motor vehicles or any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisiosn of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ and provided further that every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 471, as follows:

An Act to authorize the payment by corporations to their directors of compensation for services rendered by them

Section I Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That compensation for their services as such may be allowed and paid to their directors by all corporations of this Commonwealth whether created by general or special law

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 522 (House Bill No. 477), entitled

An Act to enable foreign fraternal beneficial associations and corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 552 (House Bill No. 293), entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 553 (House Bill No. 295), entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-four), entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorce,' " as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 553 (House Bill No. 295), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 557 (House Bill No. 657), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 560. entitled

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the 19th day of March, 1909, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania; to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, by providing for the extension of time necessary for graduation; by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses; and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eight of an act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-six) entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to define the powers and duties of the said Board of Osteopathic Examiners to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State and to provide penalties for the violation of this act" which reads as follows

"Section 8 From and after the approval of this act any person not theretofore authorized to practice osteopathy in this State and desiring to enter upon such prac-

tice may deliver to the Secretary of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars a written application for license together with satisfactory proof that the applicant is more than twenty-one years of age is of good moral character and has obtain a preliminary education as hereinafter provided and has received a diploma conferring the degree in osteopathy from some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college of the United States or some foreign country wherein the course of instruction consists of at least three separate years of not less than nine months in each separate year Applicants who receive their degree in osteopathy after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve must have pursued the study of osteopathy for four years of at least eight months in each year in four different calendar years the work of each year having been successfully passed in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college or colleges prior to the granting of said diploma or foreign license Provided however That any applicant who shall have completed a course of study in any osteopathic college consisting of three years of nine months each and a post-graduate course of at least five months aggregating at least thirty-two months shall be accepted in lieu of the full period of four years of eight months each provided for in this act) Provided further That any one who is in the practice of osteopathy in some other State at the time of the approval of this act and who is a graduate from a reputable and legally incorporated college of osteopathy providing a course of study of at least four terms of five month each shall be eligible for examination upon all others terms and conditions provided for applicants for examination under the provisions of this act And provided further That the completion of the regular four years' college course and graduation from a reputable literary college in which four years' course two years were devoted to scientific and biological work in the college shall be accepted by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners as an equivalent for the first year in a recognized reputable osteopathic college Provided That the examinations of the first year of the said osteopathic college have been successfully passed and accepted by the osteopathic college as dealing adequately with chemistry toxicology physics physiology anatomy and the biologic sciences Such proof shall be made if required on affidavit Upon the making of said payment and proof the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners if satisfied with the same shall admit said applicant to examination as to his other qualifications for the practice of osteopathy which examination shall include the subjects of anatomy physiology chemistry toxicology pathology diagnosis hygiene obstetrics and gynecology minor surgery principles and practice of osteopathy and such other subjects as the board may require On receiving from the committee of examiners delegated to conduct examinations as provided for in section five of this act official report of the examination of any applicant for license the said State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall issue forthwith to each applicant who shall have obtained a general average of not less than seventy-five per centum and therefore has been returned as having successfully passed said examination and who shall have been adjudged by the said Board of Examiners to be duly qualified for the practice of osteopathy a license to practice osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania as provided for in section ten of this act In case of failure at any such examination the candidate after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination Having failed upon a second examination as herein provided application de novo may be made upon conforming with the standard of qualification both as to character preliminary and osteopathic education in force at the time of said application and upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 8 From and after the approval of this act any person not theretofore authorized to practice osteopathy in this State and desiring to enter upon such practice may deliver to the Secretary of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars a written application for license together with satisfactory proof that the applicant is more than twenty-one years of age is of good moral character has obtained a preliminary education as hereinafter provided and has received a diploma conferring the degree in osteopathy from some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college of the United States or some foreign country wherein the course of instruction consists of at least three separate years of not less than nine months in each separate year Applicants who receive their degree in osteopathy after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve must have pursued the study of osteopathy for four years of at least eight months in each year for four different calendar years the work of each year having been successfully passed in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college of colleges prior to the granting of said diploma or foreign license Provided further That any one who is in the practice of osteopathy in some other state at the time of the approval of this act and who is a graduate from a reputable and legally incorporated college or osteopathy provided a course of study of at least four terms of five months each shall be eligible for examination upon all other terms and conditions provided for applicants for examination under the provisions of this act And provided further That the completion of the regular four years' course and graduation from a reputable literary college in which four years' course two years were devoted to scientific and biological work in the college shall be accepted by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners as an equivalent for the first year in a recognized reputable osteopathic college Provided That the examinations of the first year of the said osteopathic college have been successfully passed and accepted by the osteopathic college as dealing adequately with chemistry toxicology physics physiology anatomy and the biologic sciences Such proof shall be made is required on affidavit Upon the making of said payment and proof the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners if satisfied with the same shall admit said applicant to examination as to his other qualifications for the practice of osteopathy which examination shall include the subjects of anatomy physiology chemistry toxicology pathology diagnosis hygiene obstetrics and gynecology minor surgery principles and practice of osteopathy and such other subjects as the board may require On receiving from the committee of examiners delegated to conduct examinations as provided for in section five of this act official report of the examination of any applicant for license the said State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall issue forthwith to each applicant who shall have obtained a general average of not less than seventy-five per centum and therefor has been returned as having successfully passed said examination and who shall have been adjudged by the said board of examiners to be duly qualified for the practice of osteopathy a license to practice osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania as provided for in section ten of this act In case of failure at any such examination the candidate after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination Having failed upon a second examination as herein provided application de novo may be made upon confirming with the standard of qualification both as to character preliminary and osteopathic education in force at the time of said application and upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 22, by striking out "tain" and inserting in lieu thereof "tained"; also page 6, line 2, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of"; also page 7, line 15, by striking out the word "confirming" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "complying."

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 That section ten of said act which as amended by the act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-one) entitled "An Act to amend sections nine and ten of an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State and to provide penalties for the violation of this act' approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine by providing a final date for the registration of certain practitioners of osteopathy by defining what constitutes a reputable school or college of osteopathy within the meaning of this act and by vesting in the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners authority to determine the reputability of osteopathic schools or colleges and the right to determine reciprocal relations between States" which reads as follows

"Section 10 Applicants examined and licensed by the State Boards of Osteopathic Examiners of other States on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and filing in the office of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners a copy of said license certified by the affidavit of the president or secretary of such board showing also that the standard of requirements adopted by said board of examiners is substantially the same as is provided by section eight of this act (may) without further examination receive a license conferring on the holder thereof all the right and privileges provided by section eleven of this act

"Candidates for license to practice osteopathy in this State who present their applications and undergo examination after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve shall be obliged to present to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners one of the following credentials satisfactory to the said board covering their preliminary education prior to their beginning the study of osteopathy in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college to wit A diploma of graduation from a reputable college or university granting the degrees of bachelor of arts or science or equivalent degree or a diploma of graduation from an educational institution maintaining a four years' course of study that is a State Normal School or a high school a seminary an academy or a college preparatory school or a certificate of having passed examination for admission to the freshman class of a reputable literary or scientific college or university or a certificate of having passed an equivalent examination conducted by a certified examiner for the State of Pennsylvania to be appointed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction

and for other states to be approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania said certified examiner being privileged to accept credentials from reputable and recognized preliminary schools for any subjects included in the preliminary examination (Provided however That nothing contained in this act shall be construed to affect the right of those qualified to register under the provisions of this act and who are so registered in one county at the time of the approval of this act from registering with the prothonotary in any other county or counties in which he or she desires to practice and it shall be mandatory on them part to so register)" be and the same is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 10 Applicants examined and licensed by the State Boards of Osteopathic Examiners of other States on the payment of a fee of fifty dollars to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and filing in the office of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners a copy of said license certified by the affidavit of the president or secretary or such board showing also that the standard of requirements adopted by said board of examiners is substantially the same as is provided by section eight of this act shall without further examination receive a license conferring on the holder thereof all the rights and privileges provided by section eleven of this act

Candidates for license to practice osteopathy in this State who present their applications and undergo examination after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve shall be obliged to present to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners one of the following credentials satisfactory to the said board covering their preliminary education prior to their beginning the study of osteopathy in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college to wit A diploma of graduation from a reputable college or university granting the degree of bachelor of arts or science or equivalent degree or a diploma of graduation from an educational institution maintaining a four years' course of study equivalent to a standard four year high school course—this is a State Normal School or a high school a seminary an academy or a college preparatory school or a certificate of having passed examination for admission to the freshmen class of a reputable literary or scientific college or university or a certificate of having passed an equivalent examination conducted by the Bureau of Professional Education Nothing herein shall be construed as being incompatible with the following additional requirement namely That the preliminary education shall include one year's credits in physics chemistry and biology as approved by the Bureau of Professional Education

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 8, line 9, by striking out the word "which;" also page 8, line 19, by striking out the parenthesis before and after the word "may"; also line 24, by striking out "tion" and inserting in lieu thereof "tions;" also page 9, line 18, by striking out the parenthesis before the word "provided"; also in line 25, by striking out the parenthesis after the word "register"; also page 10, line 29, by striking out "frsh" and inserting in lieu thereof "fresh".

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred nine, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania; to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, by providing for the extension of time necessary for graduation, by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 567, as follows:

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six entitled "An Act relating to roads highways and bridges"

Section I Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws five hundred fifty-five) entitled "An Act relating to roads highways and bridges" which reads as follows

"Section 19 Roads laid out and confirmed as aforesaid but not opened may be vacated and annulled upon the petition of a majority of the original petitioners for the said road resident within the respective county in the same manner as other roads may be vacated Provided That no person residing or owning land along the route of such road shall in such case be a viewer or reviewer" is amended to read as follows

Section 19 Roads laid out and confirmed as aforesaid but not opened may be vacated and annulled upon the petition of a majority of the original petitioners for said road resident within the respective township in the same manner as other roads may be vacated providing further that all proceedings heretofore had or now pending upon the petition of a majority of the original petitioners for the said road resident within the respective township are hereby declared valid and of the same force and effect as if signed by the majority of the original petitioners for the said road resident within the respective county

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 576, entitled

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled "An Act to recharter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia," and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act regulating banks."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section I Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine) entitled "An Act to re-charter the Farmers 'and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia which reads as follows

"Section 8 That hereafter banks directors of this Commonwealth shall be eligible for three years out of any four years but no person shall be a director at the same time of more than one bank and every person who has been or shall hereafter be a director in one or more banks of this Commonwealth for three years out of any four years shall be ineligible (except the president who shall always be eligible) as a director in any bank whatever until the expiration of one year thereafter and it shall be lawful for any stockholder to make application to the court of common pleas of the proper county for a writ of quo warranto against every person violating the provisions of this section the said writ to be heard and determined according to the provisions of "An Act relating to writs of quo warranto and mandamus passed fourteenth June one thousand eight hundred and thirtysix" and every person so convicted shall be removed from the office of director by a decree of the said court and shall thereafter be ineligible as a director in any bank in this Commonwealth and shall be fined in a sum not less than five hundred dollars nor more than two thousand dollars at the discretion of the court and the vacancy or vacancies shall be filled as in the case of dealth" and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-seven) entitled "An Act regulating banks" which reads as follows

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"The affairs of every such bank shall be conducted by thirteen directors to be chosen annually by the stockholders no person not a citizen of the United States and a stockholder in his own right shall be a director no person shall at the same time be a director of any two banks nor shall the governor or any executive or judicial officer of this Commonwealth city or county treasurer or a member of the State Legislature be a director" and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, line 21, by striking out "dealth," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "death;" also page 3, line 5, by striking out the words "and the same."

Mr. HINDMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled "An Act to recharter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia," and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act regulating banks."

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 579, as follows:

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providingfor the improvement maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring of destroying State Highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Departments and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner and the several counties townships boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof in the same manner as a State-aid highway and authorizing counties townships boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof and making valid all such contracts heretofore made such highway to remain a State Highway

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to make and enter into contracts for the reconstruction or improvement of any section of a State Highway for which an application has been or which may hereafter be made by any county township borough or incorporated town or by any county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town asking that such section of State Highway be reconstructed or improved in the same manner as a State-aid highway and agreeing to pay its or their respective share of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as provided for in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement or upon such other terms and conditions as to the sharing of the total cost of said reconstruction or improvement as may be agreed upon between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county township borough or incorporated town or between the State Highway Commissioner and any such county and township county and borough or county and incorporated town but otherwise as provided in section twenty-two of the act to which this is a supplement

Section 2 The several counties townships boroughs or incorporated town in the Commonwealth that have made or which may hereafter make several or joint applications for the reconstruction of a State Highway or any portion thereof as a State-aid Highway are hereby authorized to incur such indebtedness in the proportions agreed upon as aforesaid and to pay their respective shares of the cost thereof as provided for in the act to which this is a supplement and all such contracts heretofore entered into are hereby made valid

Section 3 All work authorized under this supplement shall be done under contract as provided for and set forth in the act to which this is a supplement and the section or sections of State Highway so reconstructed or improved shall be and remain a State Highway

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 601 (House Bill No. 608), entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

The first and second sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Sénate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Harry C Swift of the County of Bedford is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Bedford County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally due to said Harry C Swift for personal injuries sustained by said Harry C Swift upon State Highway Route number forty-six near Riddlesburg in the said County of Bedford which State highway is subject to the maintenance supervision and control of the Commonwealth or its agency the State Highway Department

Section 2 This suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleadings and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to amend the title in line 4, by striking out the word "Dauphin" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Bedford."

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 604, as follows:

An Act to amend part of the fourth section of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class" as amended

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of section four of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws one hun-

dred four) entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class" which as amended by an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred eighty-four) entitled "An Act amending the first paragraph of the fourth section of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine entitled 'An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class'" reads as follows

"Section 4 In townships of the first class the following township officers shall be chosen by the qualified voters at the township election on the first Tuesday following the first Monday of November of each odd-numbered year

"First That at the next regular election for township officers after the passage of this act or at the time that any township of the first class of this Commonwealth is organized there shall be chosen by the qualified voters of the township one township commissioner from each election district of said township and in townships of the first class of this Commonwealth having five or less election districts the number of commissioners of such township shall be five The qualified voters of each election district shall elect one commissioner who need not reside in the district for which he is elected and where there are less than five election districts each district shall elect one commissioner as aforesaid and the remaining number of township commissioners to which the said township is entitled shall be elected by vote of the qualified voters of the whole township The said commissioners shall hold office for the term of two years and shall each receive a salary of sixty dollars per year payable quarterly out of the treasuries of the respective townships which shall be in full and in lieu of all other compensation in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon township commissioners of townships of the first class Provided however That a proportionate amount shall be deducted from the salary of any township commissioner for each and every regular meeting of the board which he shall fail or neglect to attend And provided further That no township commissioner shall be eligible to any other township office" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 In townships of the first class the following township officers shall be chosen by the qualified voters at the township election on the first Tuesday following the first Monday of November of each odd-numbered year

First That at the next regular election for township officers after the passage of this act or at the time that any township of the first class of this Commonwealth is organized the qualified voters of each election district shall elect one commissioner who need not reside in the district for which he is elected in townships of the first class having less than five election districts the number of commissioners shall be five and the qualified voters of each district shall elect one commissioner who need not reside in the district for which he is elected and the remaining number of township commissioners to which the said township is entitled shall be elected by vote of the qualified voters of the whole township Immediately after the said commissioners shall be organized in consequence of the first election after the passage of this act or the organization of any township of the first class they shall divide themselves by lot into two classes the odd numbers to serve two years and the even numbers four years and all commissioners elected after the next regular municipal election shall hold office for the term of four years so that as near as may be one-half shall be chosen every second year. No township commissioner shall be eligible to any other township office The said commissioners shall receive a salary of sixty dollars per year payable quarterly out of the treasuries of their respective townships which shall be in full and in lieu of all other compensation in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon township commissioners of the townships of the first class Provided however That a proportionate amount shall be deducted from the salary of any township commissioner for each and every regular meeting of the board which he shall fail or neglect to attend And provided further That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent a commissioner from receiving witness fees while attending court in actions brought by or against the township

Section 3 All general and special acts and parts thereof inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 619, as follows:

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain act relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction reconstruction and improvement of State Highways

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships and counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" which reads as follows

"Section 16 Before the Commissioner shall undertake the construction reconstruction or improvement of any State Highway on the plan of the State Highways wherein a change of existing lines and location is necessary and damage is likely to result to abutting property he shall when possible enter into an agreement with the owner

or owners of said property as to amount of damage to be paid to the said owner or owners by the State or in case an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner and said owner or owners cannot be made the Commissioner may proceed with the work of construction reconstruction or improvement and the owner or owners of said property damaged thereby may present their petition to the court of quarter session for the appointment of viewers to ascertain and assess such damages The proceedings upon said petition and by the viewers shall be governed by existing laws relating to the ascertainment and assessment of damages for opening public highways and such damages when ascertain shall be certified by the State Highway Commissioner to the Auditor General who shall pay the amount thereof by warrant drawn on the State Treasurer" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 16 Before the Commissioner shall undertake the construction reconstruction or improvement of any State Highway on the plan of the State Highways wherein a change of existing lines and location is necessary and damage is likely to result to abutting property he shall notify the county commissioners of the proper county in writing of the contemplated change in such existing lines and location whereupon the county commissioners when possible shall enter into an agreement with the owner or owners of said property as to amount of damage to be paid to said owner or owners which damage if agreed upon shall be paid by the county or in case an agreement satisfactory to the county commissioners and the said owner or owners cannot be made the State Highway Commissioner may proceed with the work of construction reconstruction or improvement and the owner or owners of said property damaged thereby may present their petition to the court of quarter sessions for the appointment of viewers to ascertain and assess such damages. The proceedings upon said petition and by the viewers shall be governed by existing laws relating to the ascertainment and assessment of damages for opening public highways and such damages when ascertained shall be paid by the county in which the State Highway is located

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 620, entitled

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird; prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same and providing for penalties.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the quail is hereby declared to be a song bird and it is unlawful for any person or persons to kill wound trap net snare aim or shoot at catch with bird-lime or with any similar substance or poison or drug any quail at any time of the year Nor shall any person purchase or have in possession sell or offer expose for sale any quail after the same shall have been killed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 9, by inserting after the word "offer" the word "or."

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second and third sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars together with costs of prosecution

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird; prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same and providing for penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT SENATE BILL NO. 620.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 620, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Game and Fisheries for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President and members of the Senate, I object to this bill being recommitted. It is a plain, simple bill. It is an agricultural bill from beginning to end. It has reference to a little bird that is one of the greatest assets of the farmer in the bird line. The object of the bill is to place him out of the range of a double-barreled shot gun. It is so plain and so clear that it needs no hearing. Anybody can read and can understand it and you well know that we cannot have our farmers come in here and testify to their desires for the passage of this bill. If these people who want a hearing will go out among the farmers they will get a hearing in very short order, and I hope my fellow Senators will not consent to any such dilatory tactics as these.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 628, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred eighty-six) entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand population one thousand dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and fifty thousand and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for services of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor The said poor directors shall have power to employ an attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper not however exceeding the rate of twenty-five dollars per month The population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and forty thousand population one thousand dollars and

in such poor districts containing one hundred and forty thousand population and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for service of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor The said directors shall have the power to employ and attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper not however exceeding the rate of twenty-five dollars per month the population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 3, line 25, by striking out the word "and" inserting in lieu thereof the word "an".

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I second the motion

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 That all acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed Provided That this act shall not repeal the act entitled "An Act amending an act entitled 'An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one hundred and fifty thousand population' approved the eighth day of June one thousand nine hundred and seven by providing for compensation according to population and granting power to employ counsel" approved the third day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consid-sideration of Senate Bill No. 638 (House Bill 799,), entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 639 (House Bill No. 852), entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, in view of the fact that the executive committee of the Committee on Public Safety and Defense have met and unanimously agreed to ask the Legislature of Pennsylvania for an appropriation of two million dollars, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill Bill No. 752, entitled

An Act making an appropriation of two million dollars to the Governor to be used by him in his discretion for the purpose of and preparation for the defense of the Commonwealth and safety of its people and their property and to aid the Government of the United States in protecting and defining said Government and its people and their property.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 643 (House Bill No. 384), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks, and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 654, entitled

An Act creating a State Board of Agriculture, a Department of Agriculture and defining their relations, duties and authorities.

The first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section I Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a State Board of Agriculture be created to be composed of one representative from each county who shall be an experienced farmer who shall operate a farm and who shall be elected at an election held in the commissioners office at the county seat the first Tuesday in December one thousand nine hundred and seventeen at ten oclock A. M. and at that hour and on that day every fourth year thereafter by allied agricultural associations of each county each of which shall be entitled to one vote including the Pomona Grange of the county and each of which shall under existing laws be entitled to receive appropriations from the Commonwealth or the county for the promotion of agriculture or for the payment of premiums awarded at Agricultural Horticultural or Livestock exhibitions the minimum of which premiums paid shall amount to two hundred and fifty ($250) dollars annually and whose election shall be approved by a majority of the members of the State Board of Agriculture and who shall serve for a term of four years commencing on the first Monday of January following said election or until his successor is duly qualified Any vacancies by death resignation or otherwise shall be filled for the unexpired term at a special election called by the clerk of the county commissioners who shall certify the election of all members of the State Board of Agriculture under the seal of the county

Section 2 The State Board of Agriculture shall meet twice a year in January and October The January meeting shall be held at Harrisburg in the State Capitol the second week in January and the October meeting the last full week in October at such place within the State as the board may select at its January meeting

Section 3 The officers of the State Board of Agriculture shall be a president a first a second and a third vice president a secretary and an executive committee of seven members The Governor of the State shall be ex-officio the president and shall preside at the opening session of each January meeting until the three vice-presidents are elected and whenever he may be present

Section 4 The three vice-presidents shall be elected annually at the opening session of the January meeting by a majority vote of the members present and voting The one receiving the highest number of votes shall be the first vice-president the one receiving the second highest number of votes the second vice-president and the one receiving the third highest number of votes the third vice-president In the absence of the Governor one of said vice-presidents shall preside at the meetings of the board

Section 5 The Secretary of Agriculture shall be the secretary of the state board He shall keep accurate minutes of all the transactions of the board at its various sessions and shall include such minutes and reports of the various bureaus of the department and specialists as the board may direct in the annual report and shall when requested call special meetings of said board

Section 6 The executive committee shall consist of seven members who shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present and voting from duly nominated candidates The two receiving the highest number of votes shall serve for four year the two receiving the next highest number of votes for three years and two receiving the third highest number of votes for two years and the one receiving the fourth highest number of votes for one year one or two members of the executive committee as the case may be shall thereafter annually be elected for a term of four years

The seventh section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 7 The executive committee shall perform all duties delegated to it by the board and by law Each member shall receive a per diem of seven and fifty one-hundredths ($7.50) dollars and necessary expenses for the actual time required in attending meetings and shall subscribe to the oath of office as prescribed in article seven of the Constitution of the State

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 7, page 3, line 28, by inserting after the word "diem" the word "pay."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The eighth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 8 During the January meeting of the board the executive committee shall meet for organization and elect one of their number chairman who shall preside at the meetings of the executive committee and one of their number secretary who shall keep accurate minutes of all the transactions of the executive committee which minutes shall be open at all tmes for inspection by the members of the State board Thereafter the commission shall meet once a month and whenever the Secretary of Agriculture shall deem a meeting necessary Vacancies by death resignation or otherwise shall be filled as hereinbefore provided at the annual meetings of the said board for the unexpired term.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 8, page 4, line 11, by striking out the word "commission" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "committee."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate afiree to the section as amended.

It was agreed to.

The ninth section of the bill was real as follows and agreed to,

Section 9 The Governor for the purpose of organizing a Department of Agriculture for the Commonwealth shall with the advice and consent of the Senate and a majority of the executive committee of the State Board of Agriculture appoint a secretary of agriculture who shall be the executive officer of the executive committee and shall be a person of practical scientific agricultural and business training and who shall hold office for a term of four years and receive a salary of six thousand ($6,000.00) dollars per year and expenses

The tenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 10 The Secretary of Agriculture shall with the approval of a majority of the executive committee appoint a deputy secretary of agriculture who shall be a farmer with practical and scientific knowledge and experience in agricultural work a dairy and food commissioner who shall have practical experience in the manufacture of dairy and food products and economic zoologist who shall have the necessary scientific training and the practical experience to enable him to assist the farmers and fruit growers and all others in need of his assistance in curbing and exterminating all insects bacterial and fungus life inimical to their industries and in the development of similar life friendly to these arts a state veteirnarian who shall be a graduate of a reputable veterinary college and who shall have had ten years practical experience in the practice of this profession a manager of a bureau of markets who shall have practical experience in co-operative buying and selling for producers and consumers and a manager of demonstration farms who shall have practical experience of farm management and soil and crop adaptations a chief chemist competent to analyze soil fertilizers feed stuffs paints oils gasoline kerosene et cetera each of whom shall receive a salary of not over four thousand ($4,000.00) dollars a year and necessary expenses

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 10, page 5, line 3, by striking out the word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "an;" also in line 18, by inserting after the words "et cetera" the following: "and a competent statistician who shall be Chief of the Bureau of Statistics and Information."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 11 The Secretary of agriculture with the approval of a majority of the executive committee shall appoint all other deputies assistants clerks demonstrators instructors inspectors employes et cetera necessary for carrying into effect the provisions of this and germane acts and shall fix the salaries of those not fixed by law

Section 12 In case of disagreement between the Governor and a majority of the executive committee in the appointment of a secretary of agriculture or said secretary and a majority of the executive committee in naming any of the appointees of the said Department of Agriculture the Governor or a majority of the committee shall within thirty days after such disagreement call a special meeting of the Board of Agriculture which shall by a majority vote of the members elected with the approval and consent of the Senate appoint a Secretary of Agriculture as hereinbefore provided Similarly they shall fill by appointment any or all appointive offices in which the secretary of agriculture and the executive committee have failed to agree Special meetings of the state board may also be called by a majority of the duly elected members of the state board petitioning any one of the vice-presidents to call such a meeting the purpose of which meeting shall be stated in the petition Any of these officials may for inefficiency immorality or insubordination be removed from their official positions by the Governor with the approval of a majority of the executive committee

Section 13 The secretary of agriculture shall regulate the department in accordance with law

The fourteenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 14 The deputy secretary under the direction of the secretary of agriculture shall have charge of and be directors of the Farmers Institutes and all other meetings held under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture in the various counties of the State and all the demonstration and adviser work done by the Department of Agriculture shall under the direction of the secretary be controlled by the deputy secretary He shall in co-operation with the local county member of the State — Board of Agriculture of each county arrange for holding the institutes and meetings and the demonstration and adviser work so as to secure the greatest efficiency of service with the greatest economy

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 14, page 6, line 25, by striking out the word "directors" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "director;" also page 6, line 28, by striking out the word "adviser" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "advisory;" also page 7, line 4, by striking out the word "adviser" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "advisory."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fifteenth and sixteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 15 The members of the State Board of Agriculture shall have charge of and be the managers of the Farmers Institutes and all other meetings held under the auspices of the said department in the respective counties They shall meet with the respresentatives of all duly organized agricultural associations of their respective counties at the office of the county commissioners the second Tuesday in June to select places for holding the Farmers Institutes which places shall be so distributed that every section of the county shall have the advantage of an institute providing that any such organization or section asking for such institute shall furnish a place sufficiently commodious in which all in attendance may be reasonably comfortable

Section 16 The members of the said Board of Agriculture shall at least four weeks before the time for holding Farmers Institutes by means of posters postal cards programs and through the press advertise these institutes for which advertising the said Department of Agriculture shall furnish the material They shall attend and preside at sessions of these institutes for which they shall receive the compensation hereinafter provided

The seventeenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 17 The member of the state board of his rspective county shall be the representative of the Department of Agriculture and the various bureaus of the department and whenever these bureaus in the performance of their respective duties or through their regularly appointed representatives shall command the services of the said member of the state board he shall render— such assistance as is within his power in carrying into effect and enforcing the provisions of this act

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 17, page 8, line 2, by striking out "rsepective" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "respective."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The eighteenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 18 All live stock imported into any county from outside of the Commonwealth except live stock shipped to the stockyards the inspection of which is controlled by the Live Stock Sanitary Board shall be reported to the member of the State Board of Agriculture of said county and he shall examine the certificate of inspection and shall forward copies of the same to the secretary of agriculture retaining a copy for himself who may have the animals reinspected or if they have not been examined for infectious or contagious diseases the secretary shall have the case inspected at the expense of the State and if contaminated they shall be disposed of in accordance with the regulations of the Live Stock Sanitary Board

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 18, page 8, line 17, by striking out the word "who" and inserting in lieu theerof the word "he."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The nineteenth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 19 The members of the State Board of Agriculture shall except for attending the two annual meetings and any special meeting of the said state board for which they shall receive only their necessary expenses receive a per diem of four dollars ($4.00) and necessary expenses for arranging and holding the Farmers Institutes and for all the other services they may render for the department or for any of the bureaus of the said Department of Agriculture providing however that the time for advertising and arranging for the Farmers Institutes in counties having one week shall not consume more than five days and for counties having two weeks more than six days and for counties having more than two weeks institutes more than eight days for all of which the said member of the said State Board of Agriculture shall render such an accounting as the director of the Farmers Institutes may require

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 19, page 8, line 28, by inserting after the word "diem" the word "pay;" also page 9, line 6, by inserting after the word "weeks" the word "not;" also in line 8, by inserting after the word "institutes" the word "not."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twentieth and twenty-first sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 20 The Economic Zoologist under the direction of the secretary of Agriculture shall by public demonstration personally conduct or through such assistants as the secretary may provide assist farmers and others in the extermination of insects and bacterial diseases injurious to crops and live stock

Section 21 The dairy and food commissioner under the direction of the secretary of agriculture shall enforce all all acts of Assembly within the jurisdiction of this department

The twenty-second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 22 The state veterinarian shall under the direction of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board which shall consist of the Governor who shall be its president the Dairy and Food Commissioner who shall be its vice-president the State Veterinarian who shall be its secretary the Secretary of Agriculture who shall be its treasurer and the executive committee of the said State Board of Agriculture enforce the acts of the Assembly as from time to time provided

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 22, page 10, line 1, by striking out before the word "Assembly" the word "the."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-third, twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 23 The manager of the Bureau of Markets shall co-operate under the direction of the secretary of agriculture and the executive committee through such means as the secretary and committee may provide with all producers of farm products and with all reliable consuming agencies throughout the Commonwealth as well as other states especially consumers co-operative associations for selling what is offered by producers and with manufacturers and other agencies for purchasing what is desired and shall keep in his office price lists which shall be furnished free to all who desire to sell or buy and shall issue instructions for the proper grading of all agricultural and horticultural products

Section 24 The manager of the demonstration farms shall under the direction of the Secretary of Agriculture and the committee have charge of and manage the demonstration farms which shall include all the available land controlled by the Commonwealth connected with her penal and charitable institutions both to demonstrate what the possibilities of the productive capacities of these soils are and to produce what is needed for the maintenance of the inmates of these institutions all of which shall for the benefit of the farmers be published in the annual reports which the secretary shall present to the Governor of the Commonwealth

Section 25 The chief chemist shall analyze such soils fertilizers feed stuffs paints oils gasoline kerosene and other substances and perform such other duties as may be directed by the Secretary of Agriculture and the executive committee

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend the bill by adding after Section 25 a new section as follows:

"Section 26. The Statistician, under the direction of the Secretary of Agriculture, shall collect, tabulate and publish agricultural statistics and other information pertinent to agriculture."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-sixth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 26 The Secretary of Agriculture shall appoint a corps of demonstrators and instructors each of whom shall be approved by a majority of the executive committee two of whom shall be soil and crop experts with practical and scientific knowledge of these subjects two of whom shall be practical live stock breeders and dairymen with a knowledge of dairy equipment and the construction of dairy buildings two of whom shall be practical fruit producers with a knowledge of the fruits adapted to the various sections of the State and of injurious insects and fungus diseases and the methods for their control or extermination two of whom shall be practical poultry men capable of managing and giving instructions in the handling of artificial incubators and brooders and the housing care and breeding for egg production two of whom shall be practical market gardners one of whom shall be a practical drainage engineer two women who shall be scientifically trained and be experts in the arts of household economies and domestic science and as many more up to twenty as the Secretary of Agriculture and a majority of the executive committee may deem necessary for properly carrying into execution the provisions of this act all of whom shall be at the command of the citizens of the State and shall co-operate with the local members of the State Board of Agriculture in the performance of the duties assigned to them

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 26, page 11, line 4, by striking out after the word "Section" the figures "26" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "27."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-seventh section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 27 The Secretary the Deputy Secretary the Economic Zoologist the Dairy and Food Commissioner the Veterinarian and the secretary of the executive committee the experts and demonstrators shall at the January meeting of the State Board of Agriculture make written reports of the years work done by each department and individual for the acceptance or rejection of the board All reports accepted by the said board shall be made part of the report which the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit annually to the Governor of the Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 27, line 1, page 12, by striking out after the word "Section" the figures "27" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "28."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-eighth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 28 The Secretary of Agriculture and the executive committee shall bi-annually prepare a budget of appropriations necessary for carrying into effect the provisions of this act as well as any amendments of this act and shall present the same before the state board for its approval or rejection All items of the budget endorsed by the state board shall be included in the budget which the executive committee and the secretary shall present to the legislature

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 28, page 12, line 12, by striking out after the word "section" the figures "28" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "29."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The twenty-ninth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 29 The Act of May eighteen one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred forty-one) and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 29, page 12, line 21, by striking out the figures "29" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "30;" also line 23, by inserting before the word "and" the following: Entitled "An Act establishing a State Commission of Agriculture; defining its power and duties, including its powers relative to the Department of Agriculture and the State Live Stock Sanitary Board."

Mr. DAIX. Pr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the sections as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act creating a State Board of Agriculture, a Department of Agriculture and defining their relations, duties and authorities.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 662, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

The first, second, third and fourth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That every closed package containing apples grown in the State of Pennsylvania which is sold offered or consigned for sale packed for sale or shipped for sale shall bear upon the outside of one end in plain letters or figures or both the name and address of the person by whose authority the apples were packed the true name of the variety therein contained and the minimum size or numerical count of the fruit in the package provided that packages which cannot readily be marked on on an exposed end shall be similarly marked in a conspicuous place If the true name of the variety is not known to the packer or the person by whose authority the apples are packed or branded then such variety shall be designated as "unknown" Every package of apples which is repacked shall bear the name and address of the person by whose authority it is repacked in addition to the other marks prescribed by this act The letters and figures used in marking closed packages of apples under the provisions of this act shall be of a size not less than thirty-six point gothic

Section 2 The marks prescribed by this act may be accompanied by any additional marks which are in accordance with the facts and which are not inconsistent with or do not in any way obscure the marks required by this act Apples packed and branded in accordance with the United States Apple Grading Law approved August third one thousand nine hundred and twelve shall be exempt from the provisions of this act

Section 3 All apples packed within the meaning of this act shall be so packed that the face or exposed surface shall fairly represent the average of the apples in the package And it shall be considered a fair representation if the face or exposed serface does not excel the average of the apples in the package by more than fifteen per centum in the matter of size and freedom from defects

Section 4 The minimum size of the fruit in all grades shall be determined by taking the transverse diameter of the smallest fruit in the package Minimum sizes shall be stated in variations of one-quarter of an inch as two inches two and one-quarter inches two and three-quarter inches three inches three and one-quarter inches and so on in accordance with the facts Minimum sizes may be designated by either figures or words and the word "minimum" may be designated by the use of the abbreviation "min" A tolerance of five per centum in the matter of size shall be allowed

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 It shall be unlawful for any person to pack for sale ship for sale offer or consign for sale have inpossession intended for sale or sell in closed paskages any apples grown in this State which are not packed and marked in accordance with the provisions of this act and the regulations

made hereunder or closed packages of apples bearing any false statement design or device regarding such apples within the meaning of this cat

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, page 3, line 9, by inserting "(a)" after the word "State;" also line 11, by inserting "(b)" after the word "hereunder;" also by striking out the word "closed" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "which;" also in line 12, by striking out the words "packages of apples bearing," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "bear."

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 6 Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars for the first offense and not more than one hundred dollars for each subsequent offense No person shall be prosecuted under this act who can establish by satisfactory evidence that no part of the packing and branding of the apples concerned was done by him or under his authority and that he had no knowledge that they were not packed in accordance with said provisions All penalties costs and fines collected under this act shall be paid to the Secretary of Agriculture or his agent and by him shall be paid into the State Treasury for the use of the Commonwealth

Section 7 The provisions of this act shall not apply to apples in closed packages which are held stored or shipped to storage within the State until same are packed for sale offered or consigned for sale or shipped for sale

Section 8 The word "person" as used herein shall be construed to include individuals corporations partnerships and associations The act omission or failure of any official or employe of any person when such official or employe is acting within the scope of his employment or office shall in every case be deemed also the act omission or failure of the person as well as of the official or employe The words "closed package" shall mean a box barrel or other package that the contents of which can not be easily inspected when such package is closed.

Section 9 The enforcement of this act shall be vested in the State Department of Agriculture and its officers employes and agents are authorized to enter upon the premises of any person within this State for the purpose of purchasing packages of apples and securing evidence of violation of this act and the said Department of Agriculture is hereby authorized to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for enforcing its provisions

Section 10 This act shall take effect September first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 11 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 654, entitled

An Act creating a State Board of Agriculture a Department of Agriculture and defining their relations duties and authorities.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 671, as follows

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes approved the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen which reads as follows

That it shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other state for the mining and manufacturing of any clay into brick tile and various other articles and products produced from clay or from clay and other substances mixed therewith or for the manufacture and sale of explosives or for the manufacture or firebrick and refractories and the mining and quarrying of the raw material therefor or for the manufacture storage distribution or sale of cheese or butter or other dairy or creamery products or for the manufacture buying selling dealing in and using of collapsible tubes and metal specialties to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate proposed Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State be and is amended to read as follows

It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the mining and manufacturing of any clay into brick tile and various other articles and products produced from clay or from clay and other substances mixed therewith or for the manufacture and sale of explosives or for the manufacture of fire-brick and refractories and the mining and quarrying of the raw material therefor or for the manufacture storage distribution or sale of cheese or butter or other dairy or creamery products or for the manufacture buying selling dealing in and using of collapsible tubes and metal specialties or for the building of boats ships and the machinery and tackle appertaining thereto to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further than every such foreign corporations doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 675, as follows

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six within or without the State of Pennsylvania between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in

General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all marriages duly contracted and solemnized within or without the State of Pennsylvania on or before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred ninety-six between parties resident in the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act which have been followed by continuous cohabitation of the parties for the period of twenty-one years thereafter are hereby declared to be valid and lawful marriages under the law of the State of Pennsylvania notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle to such marriage which under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania may have existed at the time such marriage ceremony was performed and notwithstanding any disability of either party to such marriage under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania to enter into such marriage contract at the time of the entry therein

Section 2 That all the parties who have entered into a marriage contract which comes within the provisions of section one of this act shall hereafter have all the rights of inheritance from each other and their children that they would have had if the marriage contract entered into between them had been a valid and lawful contract of marriage under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania at the time it was entered into

Section 3 That all the children born of parents whose marriages come within the provisions of section one of this act which marriages are heretofore validated and made lawful under the provisions of this act born at any time after the marriage of their parents are hereby declared to be legitimate children with all and every the rights and duties of children born in lawful wedlock under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania

Section 4 That continuous cohabitation for the period of twenty-one years after marriage of parties to all marriages which come within the provisions of section one of this act shall be presumed and the burden of rebutting such presumption shall be upon the party or parties who allege to the contrary

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 676, entitled

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth; providing for a review by the Courts of Common Pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and the filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances; regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the fire marshals.

The first, second, third and fourth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth shall have the following powers

To enter at all reasonable times and inspect all buildings within the counties in this Commonwealth wherein they are appointed and where it is found that any of the same are dilapidated and hazardous endangering life and adjoining property from fire the same are hereby declared to be a nuisance and the fire marshals of such counties shall order the same repaired if the hazardous condition can be corrected but if not then he shall order the said buildings removed within a reasonable time thereafter Said notice of removal shall be served upon the owner or occupant of said building which service for the purposes herein shall be sufficient

To enforce all laws ordinances and rules now in force or which may hereafter be enacted for the storing of all explosives oils gasolines and all inflammable and explosive materials and to enforce all laws ordinances rules and regulations now or hereafter enacted or adopted within said counties regarding the erection construction and repairing of buildings as the same concerns the elimination of fire hazards

To regulate and prevent the overcrowding of all public places where large numbers of people congregate and if any such places is dangerous and a menace to life and property to order and close the same

Section 2 If any person feels aggrieved by any order of any such fire marshals for the removal or correction of any such nuisance such person may within five days after such order is given file his petition in the courts of common pleas of the proper county praying a review of such order by said court whereupon a stay of the enforcement of said order may be granted if the court so determines but said person filing said petition shall be required by said court to give a good and sufficient bond to be approved by said court in an adequate amount conditioned for the faithful and prompt prosecution of said case and the payment of all costs that may accrue thereon whether such order is affirmed modified or reserved The court shall dispose of such petition as soon as possible either with or without a jury trial as the law in the opinion of said court requires

Section 3 When by order of any such fire marshals or upon directions of the court of common pleas as aforesaid affirming or modifying any order as aforesaid it is directed that such a nuisance as aforesaid be removed or corrected and the owner or occupant neglects and refuses to comply therewith or to actually commence correction or removal thereof as directed for a period of ten days after notice that said order has become final as aforesaid then and in such case such fire marshal shall have the right to apply by petition to the court of the common pleas of the proper county for an order directing the owner or occupant thereof to comply with said order within forty-eight hours thereafter and on default thereof the said owner or occupant as the case may be shall be considered in contempt of court for violation of the decree and order of said court and may be imprisoned by direction of said court until he is purged of such contempt On failure and refusal of an owner or occupant to comply with the said order instead of proceeding as heretofore in this section set out any of said marshals may apply to said common pleas court for an order directing and ordering that said nuisance be abated and removed or corrected whereupon the cost thereof shall be charged to and paid by the county commissioners of the county wherein said nuisance had existed

Section 4 When by any order of any such fire marshals or when an order is affirmed or modified by the court as herein set out a nuisance is directed to be removed or corrected and the owner or occupant thereof fails and refuses to fully comply therewith within a reasonable time after notice then such owner or occupant shall be deemed guilty of wilfully keeping and maintaining a nuisance detrimental to life and property and fined not more than fifty dollars and not less than twenty-five dollars for each day such refusal continues

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 Such fire marshals through their said several solicitors shall file a lien in the courts of common pleas of the proper county for the cost of the removal of said nuisances as set out in section three of this act which lien shall be reduced to judgment as other liens are now reduced and when final judgment is obtained thereof the same may be prosecuted to sale and execution in the same manner as other judgments are now collectible

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, page 4, line 18, by striking out the word "thereof" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thereon."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 6 It shall be the duties of all fire insurance companies doing business in said counties to report in detail immediately to such fire marshals every fire occurring in said respective counties and of which they are notified before any adjustment of said loss is made and upon failure to do so such fire insurance companies shall be liable to a fine of not more than fifty dollars and not less than ten dollars

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 6, page 4, line 21, by striking out the word "duties" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "duty."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The seventh section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 7 All fines and penalties due hereunder shall be collectible at the suit of the said respective fire marshals as other fines and penalties are collectible

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth; providing for a review by the Courts of Common Pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and the filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances; regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the fire marshals.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, page 1, line 4, by striking out the word "filling" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "filing."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 677, as follows:

An Act conferring upon the county commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals and to furnish necessary equipment stationery and clerk hire therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners in all counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws shall have the right and power to provide said fire marshal with suitable offices and shall pay or cause to be paid out of the treasuries of said counties all the cost of maintenance thereof including clerk and stenographer hire and all necessary supplies stationery postage and other incidental expenses

Section 2 All acts or parts of act general special or local inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 678, as follows:

An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy and assistant fire marshals and to fix the salaries of the fire marshals and the deputies and assistant fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all counties of this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws the salary of such fire marshal shall be five thousand dollars per annum

Section 2 That in all counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws such fire marshal by and with the assistance assent and approval of the county commissioners of such county shall have power to appoint such deputies not to exceed two in number and assistant fire marshals not to exceed thirty in number and to fix and determine the salaries respectively to be paid such deputies and assistant fire marshals

Section 3 The salaries herein authorized shall be paid monthly out of the county treasury

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts general local or special inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 679, as follows:

An Act authorizing and empowering fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the fire marshal in counties in this Commonwealth shall with the assent and approval of the county commissioners be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to designate and appoint one person learned in the law to act as his solicitor Such solicitor shall advise the fire marshal on all legal matters pertaining to his office and prosecute and defend any litigation desired by the fire marshal He shall hold office at the pleasure of the fire marshal and shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum to be paid to him out of the county treasury

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 680, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the District Attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants, of a chief county detective, an assistant county detective, and special county detectives, defining their duties; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses, by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of "An Act providing for the appointment by the district attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective an assistant county detective and special county detectives defining their duties fixing their salaries and authorizing the payment of the same together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county" approved the fifteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven which reads as follows

Section 2 Said county detective assistant county detective and special county detective shall at all times be subject to the orders of the district attorney who may remove them or any of them at his pleasure filling vacancies so created as may be deemed necessary Said county detective assistant county detective and special county detectives shall not be entitled to receive any fees whatsoever but the county detective shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum the assistant county detective shall receive a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum and the special county detective shall receive a salary of one hundred and twenty-five dollars ($125.00) per month each together with all necessary traveling expenses which said salary and expenses having been verified by affidavit of the county detective assistant county detective or special county detective incurring the same and approved by the district attorney shall be paid out of the treasury of the county on a certificate issued by the district attorney directed to the controller of the county who shall order warrants for said amounts according to law be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 Said county detective assistant county detective and special county detectives shall at all times be subject to the orders of the district attorney who may remove them or any of them at his pleasure filling vacancies so created as may be deemed necessary said county detective assistant county detective and special county detectives shall not be entitled to receive any fees whatsoever but the county detective shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum the assistant county detective shall receive a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum and the special county detectives shall receive a salary of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) per month each together with all necessary expenses which said salary and expenses having been verified by affidavit of the county detective incurring the same and approved by the district attorney shall be paid out of the treasury of the county on a certificate issued by the district attorney directed to the controller of the county who shall order warrants for said amounts according to law

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by inserting after the word "of" the words "an act entitled;" also page 2, line 1, by striking out "autohrizing" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "authorizing;" also page 2, line 7, by striking out the word "detective" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "detectives;" also page 2, line 17, by striking out the word "detective" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "detectives."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend section two of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the district attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective, an assistant county detective and special county detectives; defining their duties; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, on page 1, line 1, by inserting before the word "entitled" the following: "approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 681, as follows:

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from five dollars ($5.00) per day to ten dollars ($10.00) per day

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the passage of this act the pay of election officers shall be ten dollars ($10.00) per day instead of five dollars ($5.00) per day as now provided by law

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 683, entitled

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drinking from public watering troughs and providing penalties.

The first, second, third and fourth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to :

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any horse or horses kept in public stables shall be found to be afflicted with any contagious disease the owner or keeper of such stable shall post a notice to that effect in a conspicuous place on the outside of the stable

Section 2 It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to put or cause to be put any horse or horses in any public stable afflicted with any contagious disease

Section 3 It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any horse afflicted with any contagious disease to drink from any public watering troughs

Section 4 Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a penalty of ten dollars

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drinking from public watering troughs and providing penalties.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move to amend the title on page 1, line 4, by striking out the word "to."

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 705 (House Bill No. 877), entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT SENATE BILL NO. 705 (HOUSE BILL NO. 877.)

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 705 (House Bill No. 877), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judicial Apportionment for further consideration.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, when I moved that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judicial Apportionment, I made the motion under misapprehension. I was under the impression that it was a general Judicial Apportionment bill of the State, but I am informed that it is the very same bill that I had the honor of reporting out of the committee last week and I withdraw my mo-

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I withdraw my second to the motion.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 243, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judges of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act amending sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, twelve and fifteen of an act, repealing section fourteen of said act, and supplementing said act, approved the third day of June, 1911 (Pamphlet Laws 658), entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal; defining his powers and duties; providing for his compensation, and the maintenance of his office; giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority, and to review his orders; and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire-waste;" changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention; providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention, and fixing their salaries, fees, powers and duties; authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives inflammable and combustible products and substances; authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in connection therewith, and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner and officers under him, the power of police officers and

constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants; and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fire; providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction, removal and repair of dangerous buildings, premises and property, and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases, from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority; requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 480, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 588, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 667, entitled

An Act requiring all counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act, approved April 4th, 1907, entitled "An Act creating, in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million, a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said Board, and regulating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that, where said board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only, the president of the board, in case of a tie vote, shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 698, entitled

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names, styles or title identical with or similar to the names, styles or titles of State boards, commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names, styles or titles, where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations, and those of said State boards, commissions or other activities.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 700, entitled

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a Committee of the Department of Labor and Industry and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ON MILITARY TRAINING ON THE PART OF THE SENATE.

The PRESIDENT. The President Pro Tempore announces the following committee on the part of the Senate to be members of the Committee on Military Training; in pursuance of concurrent resolution adopted by the General Assembly The Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. C. A. Snyder; the Senator from Northumberland, Mr. McConnell; the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. W. W. Smith; the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Whitten, and the Senator from Berks, Mr. Sassaman.

HOUSE NONCONCURS IN AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 363.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has nonconcurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for services of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE BY WHICH HOUSE BILL NO. 363 PASSED FINALLY.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 363, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

passed finally.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?
Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I voted "aye".
Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?
Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I voted "aye".
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the motion?
It was agreed to.
And the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.
Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

RECESS.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.
Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.
The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 753, entitled

A supplement to the act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws forty-six), entitled "An Act fixing the number and salaries of clerks and other employes in the Auditor General's Department;" creating a Bureau of Economy and Efficiency in said Department; fixing the number and salaries of its clerks and employes; and prescribing its powers and duties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 754, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act amending section thirty-five (35) of an act, entitled 'An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges,' approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, extending the provisions of said section as to also authorize the construction of county bridges in cities and boroughs, and providing for the erection of new bridges when any existing county bridge is insufficient, for any cause, to accommodate the public travel."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. SASSAMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11.04 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, April 3, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, April 2, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. J. Bradley Markward, of Harrisburg, offered the following prayer:

O God, our Heavenly Father, help us to realize how dependent we are, that in Thee we live and move and have our being; that every good and perfect gift cometh from Thee. Grant unto us the conviction that the finest inspirations for our best thoughts, our worthiest plans, and our most affective achievements emanate from Thee. Believing this, grant that we may seek Thy wisdom and Thy guidance with respect to the duties to be done and the problems to be solved. Bless abundantly this legislative body and lift it up into the sweep of Thy divine purpose, that these men may always be found going in the direction of God. Grant that every law brought into existence here may have as its mother the eternal righteousness of God. We pray Thee, our Heavenly Father, that all these tasks of time may be wrought in the light of eternity and in the consciousness of the abiding presence of the Almighty. Bless our Commonwealth, and grant that it may be built strong and secure in the everlasting principals of truth, and of justice, and of brotherhood. We pray not only for our State, but for our country, in this momentous hour. We ask Thee that Thou will give wisdom, and guidance, and help unto the President of the United States, and unto the law making bodies. Save us from the storm of envy, and grant that if we must go to war we shall go for the right, and for the truth and for the good, that civilization with all of its best interests may be served and that the kingdom of God may be set up in the earth speedily for Thy names sake. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, March 28th, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, March 28th, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Scott, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1261.

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vancancies caused by such removal,' approved May eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and one, so as to allow them full pay during the balance of their terms of office, and, under certain conditions, half pay during the remainder of their lives," approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to provide that any judge of the supreme or superior court who has served in judicial office for twenty or more years shall be entitled to receive the benefits of said act immediately after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term, resignation or otherwise, whether said service be continuous or not.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1262.

An Act to provide for the sterilization of inmates of institutions having the care and custody of idiotic, imbecile, feeble-minded and insane persons, in cases which such sterilization will materially improve the mental or physical condition of such persons, and in cases where, owing to the idiocy, imbecility, insanity or feeble-mindedness of such persons, not being in permanent custody, procreation by such persons would produce offspring similarly affected.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1263.

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1264.

An Act to amend sections one and two of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners, in townships of the first class, to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships, at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1265.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act authorizing the township commissioners, or townships of the first class to ordain and establish sidewalks along the principal streets and highways of the township, leading directly to or connecting cities, boroughs, villages, or places of public resort; providing for and regulating the construction of the same; and authorizing the township commissioners to charge a part of the expense of constructing the same, including the grading and curbing thereof, upon the abutting property owners, and to defray the remaining part of such expense from the public funds of the township," ordaining and establishing sidewalks over and upon land abutting along the sides of streets, highways and turnpikes, and providing for the assessment and payment of damages and benefits in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1266.

An Act to permit the husband of a feme sole trader to convey or will his real estate clear of dower without the joining of his wife therein, and providing for its disposition in case of intestacy.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SPANGLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 999, entitled

An Act authorizing the Governor to fill vacancies in the office of county commissioners in certain counties.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 1117, entitled

An Act providing that appointive officers and employes employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or by any county or municipality thereof in its civil service, who have a wife children or parents dependents upon them for support, shall not be deemed or held to have resigned or abandoned their offices or employments by reason of enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in time of war or contemplated war; prohibiting the removal from their offices of employments of such officers and employed during the period of their service in the army or navy; directing that one half of the salaries or wages of such officers or employes not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, be paid during the term of their service in the army or navy to such dependents thereof; authorizing the employment, during said term, of substitutes to perform the duties theretofore performed by such officers or employes respectively, and providing for the compensation of such substitutes.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 1056, entitled

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Health to accept private and philanthropic donations to assist in the care and treatment of indigent tuberculous persons.

Mr. JOHN P. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 950, entitled

An Act providing for vacating part or parts of any abandoned or condemned turnpike forming part of a State Highway route where the course of said route has been diverted leaving such part or parts of said turnpike outside the limits thereof, and providing upon such vacation the same shall become township road.

Mr. BIDELSPACHER, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act relative to the carrying, use and sale of dangerous weapons.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 399, entitled

An Act amending the first and seventeenth sections of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith, and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes," relating to taxing bonds, mortgages, and other securities and also by removing the exemption of life and fire insurance corporations having no capital stock, from the provision of the act.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 40, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing the jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process, or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof."

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 1247, entitled

An Act to amend the fifth clause of section three of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act relating to food; defining food; providing for the protection of the public health, and the prevention of fraud and deception, by prohibiting the manufacture or sale, the offering for sale or exposing for sale, or the having in possession with intent to sell of adulterated, misbranded, or deleterious foods; prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 485, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section four, article six of the Constitution of Pennsylvania relating to the removal of appointed officers.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 486, entitled

An Act prohibiting political activity by appointed officers, clerks and employes of cities of the first class; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; giving taxpayers a right of action to restrain payment of compensation to persons violating this act; and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1001, entitled

An Act to amend part of section two of an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to enable the Governor to appoint notaries public, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 490, entitled

An Act prohibiting the solicitation, payment or receipt in any public building belonging to any city of the first class of any money or valuable thing for political purposes; prohibiting the solicitation or receipt by or from officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prohibiting the payment by officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; prescribing methods of enforcing this penalty, and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1009, entitled

An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act providing for payment of costs by the proper county in criminal cases approved the nineteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, by providing for payment of costs by the proper county in criminal cases where the bill of indictment has been quashed.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 662 entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to make, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone, or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock, approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose, constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying, or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a geenral manufacturing business,"' approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing, or sale of petroleum and petroleum products," by extending the same to corporations incorporated for the manufacture of leather or articles containing leather.

Mr. McCULLOUGH, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1017, entitled

An Act prohibiting the handling or driving of horses or other animals or teams or vehicles on the public highways of the Commonwealth by an intoxicated person and providing penalties therefor.

Mr. DELL, from the Committee on Game, reported as committee House Bill No. 621, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions, and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith; and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines, and penalties received."

Mr. MERVINE, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as amended House Bill No. 711, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth, providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highways, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Mr. CANON, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 912, entitled

An Act validating certain foreclosure proceedings instituted by foreign executors, administrators and guardians, sheriff's sales had thereon, and the ttile acquired thereby.

Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on Game, reported as amended House Bill No. 985, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of auxiliary State game preserves.

Mr. RININGER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, House Bill No. 960, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the deposit of dirt, refuse or rubbish upon pavements, public highways or streets; and providing penalties.

Mr. RININGER, from the Committee on Public Hetalh and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 691, entitled

An Act regulating the practice of drugless therapeutics; defining the same; creating a Board of Licensure therefor, and means and methods whereby the right to proctice drugless therapeutics in any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom; providing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1253, entitled

A joint resolution petitioning the government of the United States and the Secretary of War to rescind or modify the orders of the Department of War requiring the raising of certain bridges over the Allegheny River.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1241, entitled

An Act requiring the courts of quarter sessions to file their reasons for revoking or refusing to renew existing liquor licenses; requiring compensation to be paid the holder of the license or owner of the premises upon the revocation or refusal thereof, in certain cases, by the county, and vesting in the court of common pleas jurisdiction in such cases.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1181, entitled

An Act making the fraudulent conversion of property a misdemeanor, prescribing the penalties therefor and regulating the procedure therein.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 1133, entitled

An Act to enable any city, town, borough or township owning and operating its own water works to require a water-meter to be installed upon every property supplied from such water works at the expense of the owner thereof and providing that the cost of and charge for installing such water-meter shall be a lien upon such property with the same priority and enforceable in the same manner as a municipal claim.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1101 (Senate Bill No. 364), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1103 (Senate Bill No. 366), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the Counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York, Mercer, Union, Huntingdon, Luzerne and Schuylkill," approved the fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1102 (Senate Bill No. 365), entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny," approved the eighth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1105 (Senate Bill No. 371), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1107 (Senate Bill No. 373), entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny county, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock; in relation to a tax on dogs in the said county of Allegheny; incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company; relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River; authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown; relative to miners in Schuylkill County; legitimatizing James C. Collins; relative to the premium on fox scalps in the county of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1106 (Senate Bill No. 372), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth eight hundred and sixty-three authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny county to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county," approved the twenty-second day of April one thousand and sixty-three.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1108 (Senate Bill No. 377), entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act, entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, and giving the courts power to enforce its provisions," approved the fourteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1104 (Senate Bill No. 370), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to unused streets lanes and alleys" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1096 (Senate Bill No. 286), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1040 (Senate Bill No. 213), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1041 (Senate Bill No. 317), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1042 (Senate Bill No. 318), entitled

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen,

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1098 (Senate Bill No. 352), entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1043 (Senate Bill 342), entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats, and providing a penalty," giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1100 (Senate Bill No. 356), entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 335 (Senate Bill No. 50), entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 956 (Senate Bill No. 117), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof approved the twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws, page seventy-nine) by providing that the petition praying for dissolution may be by any owner or owners of capital stock and providing for publication of notice in the proper legal periodical.

Mr. HEYBURN, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported with a negative recommendation House Bill No. 636, entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority of the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highway to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of costs of improvement and repairs; providing for penalties for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," as amended, by providing for condemnation of county bridges by the Highway Commissioner in certain counties.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. DAWSON asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jennings on account of sickness.

Mr. PHILLIPS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bell on account of sickness.

Mr. ROBERTSON asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Clements on account of the death of his wife.

Mr. SPROWLS asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Baker on account of sickness.

Mr. STADTLANDER asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Somerman.

Mr. COOK asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ogden.

Mr. BLACK asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sweitzer for the week.

RESOLUTION NO. 11.

Mr. HECHT called up Resolution No. 11, File Folio 1601, which was read, considered and adopted as follows

Whereas The Subject of Universal Military Training has been and will be presented to the Congress of the United States and

Whereas There should be enacted into law a Universal Military Training Bill Now therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives if the Senate concurs That we earnestly endorse the principle of Universal Military Training and urge upon the members of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania to aid in the enactment of such a Universal Military Training law as will now and hereafter provide for the common defence promote and maintain the general welfare safety and happiness of all the people and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity

Be it further resolved That a copy of this resolution together with the action thereon be sent to each member in the Congress of the United States from the State of Pennsylvania

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for its concurrence.

RESOLUTION SUSPENDING RULE NO. 39.

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer a resolution at this time, and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER. The resolution will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Rule 39 of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly, be indefinitely suspended.

The SPEAKER. Is there any objection? The Chair hears objections, and the resolution will lie over under the rules.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 356, entitled

An Act to repeal sections three and four of an act approved the nineteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-three), entitled "An Act requiring employers to make report to the Department of Labor and Industry of accidents to employes, and prescribing a penalty for non-compliance therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 988, entitled

An Act providing that whenever the charter of any borough is annulled the territory embraced within the borough whose charter is annulled shall become a township of the same name and subject to the laws governing townships in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 845, entitled

An Act authorizing cities of the first class to make appropriations for the support of destitute families of persons sentenced to imprisonment and providing a system of control and administration for the distribution thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 962, entitled

An Act to prohibit the letting of prison labor by contract; to regulate the employment of prisoners in all county prisons and reformatories; regulating the disposition of the products of prison labor and providing penalty for its violations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 730, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of cities of the second class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; making violations of its provisions to be misdemeanors, and providing penalties for violations thereof," approved May twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred and seven, providing for the election of the civil service commissioners and for their removal and fixing their term of office and their compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 752, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, three and five of article three of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 778, entitled

An Act providing that all the powers and duties now vested in the select and common councils of cities of the first class be completely vested in a single body called the city council, and fixing the qualifications, the election, salary and term of office of the members thereof; providing for the apportionment of cities of the first class into eight councilmanic districts; and providing that the mayor shall cast a deciding vote in case of a tie vote in the city council.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 468, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the county engineer and deputy county engineer in counties containing a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1020, entitled

An Act relating to tax assessment returns in certain counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 832, entitled

An Act to require that every future act of the General Assembly be given a short title for convenience of citation and to require the Legislative Reference Bureau to report to the next session of the General Assembly a list of short titles for certain acts now in force.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 846, entitled

An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 224, entitled

An Act to amend clause eighteen of section nineteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of public documents of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 919, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city borough incorporated town township or county requiring any taxes registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 937 (Senate Bill No. 217), entitled

An Act preventing the manufacture, sale or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens, lead arsenates, lime-sulphur compounds and other insecticides and fungicides and regulating traffic therein; providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 959 (Senate Bill No. 201), entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light, heat and power plants and water works plants and systems; providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 678 (Senate Bill No. 186), entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class; constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method of fixing compensation of a secretary.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1198 (Senate Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the superintendent and deputy superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 104 MADE SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1198 (Senate Bill No. 104), File Folio 273, be made a special order on second reading, on Tuesday, April third, at 11.30 A. M., and be made a special order on third reading on Monday night, April ninth, at 9.30.

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to call the gentleman's attention to the fact that there is a special order for 11.30 o'clock to-morrow morning already on the calendar.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

Strike out the figures "11.30" and insert in lieu thereof "12 noon."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion as amended?
It was agreed to.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which the House concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 363, File Folio 1605, entitled

An Act fixing the fee for service of jurors summoned by the sheriff of any county having a population of over five hundred thousand and not more than fourteen hundred thousand under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, et cetera.

be reconsidered.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The SPEAKER. The bill being in the possession of the House, the motion is in order.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
It was agreed to.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do nonconcur in the amendments made by the Senate.

Mr. WOODWARD. I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 879.

Mr. VICKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 879, File Folio 1543, entitled

An Act authorizing courts of quarter sessions to commit the care of certain burial grounds to township supervisors of townships and requiring townships to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

was defeated on final passage on March 28th, 1917, be reconsidered.

Mr. HOFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The SPEAKER declared the "ayes" appear to have it.

Whereupon,

A division was called for, and sixty gentlemen having voted in the affirmative and fifty-four in the negative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. CANON. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 879, File Folio 1543, be recommitted to the Committee on Counties and Townships for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 889, as follows,

An Act providing for the payment by State Hospitals for the insane of the traveling expenses from said hospitals to their homes respectively of indigent inmates of said hospitals discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities and for the reimbursement to such hospitals of the amounts so paid

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any indigent inmate of a State Hospital for the insane shall be discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities it shall be the duty of the authorities of the hospital in which he or she was an inmate to pay the traveling expenses of such indigent person from such hospital to his or her home the amount of which payment shall be refunded and paid to such hospital from the appropriation for the care and treatment of the indigent insane then current

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 386, as follows:

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where any real estate in this Commonwealth heretofore held by or for any corporation or corporations not having the right to own and hold the same has been conveyed to any citizen of the United States or to any corporation authorized by the laws of this Commonwealth to hold the same such citizen or corporation grantee as aforesaid shall hold and may convey such title and estate indefeasibly as to any right of escheat in this Commonwealth by reason of such real estate having been sold by or for a corporation not authorized to hold the same by the laws of this Commonwealth This act shall not apply to escheat cases now in litigation

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1087, as follows:

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the municipal court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the municipal court of Philadelphia and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith

Section I Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter the municipal court of Philadelphia shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all houses of detention that are now or may hereafter be established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia and that the board of managers of the said house or houses of detention shall hereafter be appointed by the judges of the municipal court of Philadelphia to the exclusion of any authority to appoint said board that may now be vested in the judges of the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery and the courts of quarter sessions of the peace having jurisdiction in the said city

Section 2 The said board of managers shall have the same power and authority and shall serve for the same terms and be subject to the same supervision as now provided by law subject however to removal from office by the judges of the municipal court of Philadelphia

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 891, as follows:

An Act authorizing the Commitee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities to transfer patients or inmates of hospitals for the insane to other such hospitals and providing for maintenance of patients after transfer

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities is hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion and for any reason which may to them seem good to transfer patients or inmates from one hospital for the insane to another such hospital within this Commonwealth and the municipalities poor districts or persons liable to the institution to which the commitment of such patients were made for support and maintenance respectively shall after the transfer of such patients be liable to the institutions to which such transfers shall be made for support and maintenance respectively

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 498 (Senate Bill No. 52), as follows

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized use of certain containers in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products and prescribing penalties

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is unlawful for any person corporation partnership association to use in the sale exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products or any other products any bottle jar vessel can or other container of another upon which is stamped blown or engraved the name title or mark of the owner

Section 2 Any person being the general manager superintendent or other person in charge of the work of any corporation firm partnership or association or any individual violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars or undergo an imprisonment in the county jail of the proper county for a period not exceeding one month or both at the discretion of the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace

Section 3 All laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith to be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 449, as follows

An Act regulating the repairing and maintaining of county bridges in the certain counties of this Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is hereby made the duty of the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth having a population of more than five hundred thousand inhabitants and they are hereby authorized and empowered to keep the several county bridges within their respective counties in good condition and repair. All such work shall be done by contract or otherwise as shall seem to them expedient

Section 2 No contract shall be let for any such work until a proper resolution shall have been passed authorizing and directing the same All such contracts shall be let and entered into in the manner prescribed by law for the letting of county contracts

Section 3 The county commissioners shall have the authority when they deem it expedient so to do to cause such work to be done under the direction of the employes

of such county having such work in charge and to that end to purchase such material and employ such labor as may be necessary

Section 4 The following acts or parts of acts to wit

Section four of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lewisville and Prospectville Turnpike Road Company in Montgomery County and relative to certain State roads in Allegheny and Washington Counties and in Luzerne Schuylkill and Columbia Counties and relating to the first United States Bank and Court of Quarter Sessions' approved April twenty-second one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to lateral railroads and county commissioners in Allegheny County to incorporate the New Castle and Enon Valley Plank Road Company in Lawrence County changing the word Beaver to that of Lawrence in a certain act approved the twenty-sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty and relative to the claim of Jacob Rheem and Daniel Beelman and to the estate of Mary Ann Taylor late of the City of Philadelphia deceased" approved the twelfth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and thirty-six)

Section six of an act entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County'" approved the eighth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-seven)

An act entitled "An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary" approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and twenty-eight)

An Act entitled "An Act requiring county commissioners to repair all county bridges and to pay the expense of such repairs out of the county treasury" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five (Pamphlet Laws eighty-one)

An Act entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth to contract to repair build or rebuild any county bridges without due advertisement for sealed proposals excepting contracts not amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and eighteen)

An Act entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary' approved the twenty-first day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three" approved the twenty-fourth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and twenty)

And all other acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move the reconsideration of the vote by which this bill passed third reading.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), as follows

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four) extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page one hundred and forty-four) which reads as follows

"Such sale mortgaging leasing or conveyance upon ground-rent may be decreed whenever real estate shall be held for or owned by minors lunatics or habitual drunkards so duly found by inquisition for the sole and separate use of married women for religious beneficial or charitable societies or associations incorporated or unincorporated or for or by any other corporation or by trustees for any public or private use or trust and although there may exist a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise or any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise or the time limited for its exercise may have expired or any one or more persons required to consent or to join in its execution may have become non compos mentis or have removed out of the State or died or should refuse to act or unreasonably withhold consent also when there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or last will and testament and the necessary power is not given to the executor devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance of real estate Also whenever the owner of real estate may have been absent and unheard from for seven years under those circumstances from which the law would presume his or her death Whenever a husband shall own real estate having a wife who is a lunatic or a minor whenever a married woman owns real estate and her husband has abandoned her for two years or been absent and unheard from for seven years Whenever a decedent shall have contracted by parol to sell real estate and those interested do not think it expedient to plead the statute requiring contracts to be in writing to enable the purchaser to recover the real estate agreed to be sold Whenever a decedent's real estate is subject to the lien of debts not of record Whenever real estate shall be entailed or contingent remainders or executory devices or vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children shall be limited thereon Or whenever in proceedings in partition in equity it shall appear that real estate cannot be divided without prejudice to the interests of the owners And also whenever real estate shall have been purchased or any ground-rent been reserved and be held by any person acting in a trust or fiduciary capacity And such decree may be made whether such ownership or interest shall be held or enjoyed in severalty joint-tenancy coparcenary or in common with others And generally in all cases where estates have been or shall be devised or granted in trust or for special or limited purposes or where any party interested therein is under a legal disability to sell and convey the same Provided That nothing in this act contained shall be taken to repeal or impair the authority of any Act of Assembly general or private authorizing the sale of real estate by decree of court or otherwise nor to affect or impair any right or powers otherwise existing in any person or corporation to sell mortgage lease or let on ground-rent any real estate created by deed or will shall be taken to confer an authority to sell and convey reserving a ground-rent or rents in fee and the same to release and extinguish according to law and the stipulation of the deed and also to grant and convey such ground-rent or rents to any purchaser or purchasers thereof free of all trusts" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Such sale mortgaging leasing or conveyance upon ground-rent may be decreed whenever real estate shall be held for or owned by minors lunatics or habitual drunkards so duly found by inquisition for the sole and separate use of married women for religious beneficial or charitable societies or associations incorporated or unincorporated or for or by any other corporation or by trustees for any public or private use or trust and although there may exist a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise or any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise or the time limited for its exercise may have expired or any one or more persons required to consent or to join in its execution may have become non compos mentis or have removed out of the State or died or should refuse to act or unreasonably withhold consent also when there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or last will and testament and the necessary power is not given to the executor devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance of real estate Also whenever the owner of real estate may have been absent and unheard from for seven years under those circumstances from which the law would presume his or her death Whenever a husband shall own real estate having a wife who is a lunatic or a minor whenever a married woman owns real estate and her husband has abandoned her for two years or been absent and unheard from for seven years Whenever a decedent shall have contracted by parol to sell real estate and those interested do not think it expedient to plead the statute requiring contracts to be in writing to enable the purchaser to recover the real estate agreed to be sold Whenever a decedent's real estate is subject to the lien of debts not of record Whenever real estate shall be entailed or con-

tingent remainders or executory devises or vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children shall be limited thereon Whenever real estate shall be held by one or more persons for life Or whenever in proceedings in partition in equity it shall appear that real estate cannot be divided without prejudice to the interests of the owners And also whenever real estate shall have been purchased or any ground-rent been reserved and be held by any person acting in a trust or fiduciary capacity And such decree may be made whether such ownership or interest shall be held or enjoyed in severalty joint-tenancy coparcenary or in common with others And generally in all cases where estates have been or shall be devised or granted in trust or for special or limited purposes or where any party interested therein is under a legal disability to sell and convey the same Provided That nothing in this act contained shall be taken to repeal or impair the authority of any act of Assembly general or private authorizing the sale of real estate by decree of court or otherwise nor to affect or impair any right or powers otherwise existing in any person or corporation to sell mortgage lease or let on ground-rent any real estate created by deed or will shall be taken to confer an authority to sell and convey reserving a ground-rent or rents in fee and the same to release and extinguish according to law and the stipulation of the deed and also to grant and convey such ground-rent or rents to any purchaser or purchasers thereof free of all trusts

Section 2 All sales of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life heretofore made by order of any court and purporting to have been made under and by virtur of said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven are hereby ratified and confirmed

Section 3 This act shall apply to all life estates created and existing before and after its passage and approval

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. JAMES O. CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, this bill is an amendment of the Act of Assembly passed in 1853 known as the "Price Act," and it proposes to include within the provisions of the Price Act life estates. The Price Act was passed for the purpose of unfettering estates and it provides that the court take jurisdiction and decree sales in certain cases, cases in which there was a trust estate involved or cases in which a religious corporation held the title or cases in which there was a contingent remainder or an executory devise and an estate tail and also cases in which the holders were under some disability; in other words, they were a class of cases in which the holders of the real estate were unable to make title without the concurrence or order of the court.

This act provides that in the case of a life estate where the remainder goes over to some person in being that the court would take jurisdiction and decree a sale. I have two objections to the bill: In the first place, I consider the bill as not constitutional; and in the second place, I object to the bill because I do not believe that the court should decree sale of real estate held by two people who are under no disability and are not willing to sell that estate. As to the first objection, the constitutional objection, it is probably not wise to insist upon that question before this House as it is somewhat complicated and I do not care to have the House rely upon my opinion but I would like to quote a statement of Roland R. Foulke, Esq., of the Philadelphia bar, who has recently published a very good treatise on the Price Act. Mr. Foulke says in section 12, page 16, "The Act therefore, does not, and could not constitutionally, except perhaps in the case of remainders after an estate tail, compel the sale, etc., of an vested interest owned by persons suit jurist or authorize the divesting of such an interest against the consent of the owner."

I would also read a statement from the opinion of Justice Sharswood in Palairet's Appeal, 67 Pa. 479. He says: "It is urged that after all it is only the exercise by the Legislature of the power to authorize the conversion of land into money;"—"But this power to authorize conversion has never been recognized as constitutional by this court except in the case of the property of persons under disabilities, or where ther were contingent interests whose owners had not come into existence;"—"The cases in which such conversion may be authorized seem well enumerated in Mr. Price's valuable act of 1853. But it has been expressly repudiated and denied in the case of owners sui jurist, not consenting nor presumed from acquiescence to have consented." That opinion is referred to favorably in two cases, the first is in Van Dusen's Estate 1 D. R. 156, in the opinion of Judge Penrose in which the question arose as to the authority of the court to direct the sale of a life estate with the remainder over to a person sui jurist with no contingency. It is also referred to approvingly in the case that arose under later consideration in Kerner's Estate, 13 D. R. 311, in the opinion of Judge Ashman.

Now, Mr. Speaker, the practical import of this bill would arise under circumstances as follows:

"A" being possessed of real estate, devises or conveys the same to "B" for life, with remainder over to "C." "B" may be his wife, his daughter or some other person who is dependent upon him for support and whose support he wishes to provide for; "C" being some person to whom he wishes to devise the corpus of the estate. This amendment would provide that the life tenant "B," or the remainderman, "C," may go into court, petition the court for authority to sell, and the court granting such authority, the property may be sold and the interests of the life tenant as well as the interests of the remainderman transferred to the fund; in other words, "B," having a life estate, may be deprived of the benefit of that life estate although "B" objects to having it conveyed or having her interests transformed to the fund; or, on the other hand, "C," being entitled to the remainder, may have that remainder divested even though "C" objects to such divestiture.

I believe that where a sum holding real estate desiring to provide for some of those who are dependent upon him does so by granting such person life estate with the remainder over to a person who is not under disability, and there is no contingency with the remainder over to one under no disability and without a contingency that there should be no authority given the court to decree a sale of the same against the wish of either the life tenant or the remainderman. I had understood under the new code the decendent's estate would include some such division. That is on the desk this evening. I have examined it for the purpose of seeing if such statement is correct. I cannot find it (indicating) on page 341 of this yellow book. This is a report bounded and codifying and revising the law of decedent's estates but I find no section of the classes of cases in which the court would take jurisdiction under the proposed change of the Price Act, and I cannot find any proposition to give the court jurisdiction to sell the life estate of parties who are under no disability and who do not care to sell their interests.

MR. WHITAKER IN THE CHAIR.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be placed on the postponed calendar.

Mr. SONES. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 876, entitled

An Act to authorize the revising ,editing and printing of fifteen thousand copies of Bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six, entitled "Swine Husbandry," issued by the Department of Agriculture, and making an appropriation therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and argeed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—185.

Albee,	Flynn,	McCurdy,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fowler,	McKay,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Aston,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Gans,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Geary,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,

Bennett,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, Allen,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Black,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Haight,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Burnett,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Musser,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Conner,	Horne,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Cook,	Horton,	Powell,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Curry,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Walter,
Dawson,	Lafferty,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dean,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dell,	Laucks,	Rinn,	West,
Dewey,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Malie,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Eby,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McArdle,	Scott,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McCullough,	Shattuck,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up House Bill No. 451, on page 11 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 451, entitled

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds of certain life insurance and annuity contracts bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker ,I would like the sponsor of this bill to explain its purpose.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, this bill exempts from the claim of creditors annuities and insurance taken out on the life of the insured in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars per month, providing that the person is solvent at the time the annuity is made. Under the law in many of the states life insurance and annuities are exempt from the claims of creditors. In the State of Pennsylvania life insurance and annuities in favor of the wife and children or other relatives dependent on the assured are now exempt. The purpose of this bill is to extend that provision to this extent: that where a person takes out an annuity on his life in the sum not exceeding one hundred dollars per month and is solvent when he takes it out that it will be exempt from the claims of creditors. Those who favor this bill believe that it will promote industry and thrift by giving a person opportunity to provide while young a fund for home or homes when old.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—162.

Albee,	Gans,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Geary,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Barner,	Glass,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Bechtold,	Golder,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Black,	Graeff,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Brady,	Hecht,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Brumbaugh,	Heffernan,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Canon,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Sterling,
Conner,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stern,
Cook,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stites,
Corbin,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Stofflet,
Crosby,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Cummins,	Horne,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Curry,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Davis, D. F.,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Taylor,
Davis, W.,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Thomas,
Dawson,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Ulsh,
Dell,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Dewey,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Vogdes,
Dithrich,	Lafferty,	Ringler,	Walker,
Donneley,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Drake,	Laucks,	Rinn,	Walter,
Drinkhouse,	Leary,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Dunn,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wells,
Eby,	Lohr,	Ross,	West,
Ehrhardt,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Whitaker,
Erdman,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Fackler,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Fitzgibbon,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Flynn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Franklin,	McCullough,	Scott,	Wynne,
Fretz,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,

NAYS—10.

Aron,	Dean,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Burnett,	Milner,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreealy to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 875, as follows:

An Act to authorize the revising editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hundred and one entitled "Market Gardening" issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to cause to be edited and revised the Bulletin number two hundred and one heretofore published by the Department of Agriculture entitled "Market Gardening" and to order the printing of twenty-five thousand copies thereof It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding upon requisition of the Secretary of the Agriculture to have the bulletin printed and delivered to the Department of Agriculture The sum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to carry out the purpose of this act

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—177.

Albee,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Aron,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Geary,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Graham,	Milner,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Benninger,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Black,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Helt,	Musser,	Stern,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stites,
Bovee,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Boyd,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Brady,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Brumbaugh,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Burnett,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Campbell, J. O.,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,

Campbell, T.,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Canon,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Chestnut,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Christman,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Coldsmith,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Conner,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cook,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Corbin,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Cox,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Crosby,	Lewis,	Rinn,	West,
Cummins,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Malie,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Davis, D. F.,	Mangan,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dawson,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dean,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dell,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dithrich,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drake,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McNichol,	Showalter,	
Flynn,	McPeake,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreealy to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 494, as follows:

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation' approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine" as amended by removing the exemption granted corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes and appropriating the same for State and State-aid highway purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the twenty-first section of an act approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and twenty) entitled "A Further Supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation' approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine" as amended by the act approved the twenty-second day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three) entitled "An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act approved the first day of June one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled 'A Further Supplement of an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation' approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine' as amended" which reads as follows

"Section 21 That every corporation joint-stock association limited partnership and company whatsoever from which a report is required under the twentieth section hereof shall be subject to and pay into the Treasury of the Commonwealth annually a tax at the rate of five mills upon each dollar of the actual value of its whole capital stock of all kinds including common special and preferred as ascertained in the manner prescribed in said twentieth section and it shall be the duty of the treasurer or other officers having charge of any such corporation joint-stock association or limited partnership upon which a tax is imposed by this section to transmit the amount of said tax to the treasury of the Commonwealth within thirty days from the date of the settlement of the account by the Auditor General and the State Treasurer Provided That for the purposes of this act interest in limited partnerships or joint-stock associations shall be deemed to be capital stock and taxable accordingly Provided also That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock under this section shall not be required to pay any further tax on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them and in which the whole body of stockholders or members as such have the entire equitable interest in remainder but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations owning or holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner than for the whole body of stockholders or members thereof as sole equitable owners in remainder shall return and pay the tax imposed by this act upon all securities so owned or held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That the provisions of this section shall not apply to the taxation of the capital stock of corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering or manufacturing purposes which is invested in and actually and exclusively employed in carrying on laundering or manufacturing within the State excepting companies engaged in the brewing or distilling of spirits or malt liquors and such as enjoy and exercise the right of eminent domain but every laundering or manufacturing corporation limited partnership or joint-stock association shall pay the State tax of five mills herein provided upon such proportion of its capital stock if any as may be invested in any property or business not strictly incident or appurtenant to its laundering or manufacturing business in addition to the local taxes assessed upon its property in the district where located it being the object of this proviso to relieve from State taxation only so much of the capital stock as is invested purely in the laundering or manufacturing plant and business Provided further In case of fire and marine insurance companies the tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of three mills upon each dollar of the actual value of the whole capital stock Provided That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to apply to building and loan associations chartered by the State of Pennsylvania" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 21 That every corporation joint-stock association limited partnership and company whatsoever from which a report is required under the twentieth section hereof shall be subject to and pay into the treasury of the Commonwealth annually a tax at the rate of five mills upon each dollar of the actual value of its capital stock of all kinds including common special and preferred as ascertained in the manner prescribed in said twentieth section and it shall be the duty of the treasurer or other officers having charge of any such corporation joint-stock association or limited partnership upon which a tax is imposed by this section to transmit the amount of said tax to the treasury of the Commonwealth within thirty days from the date of the settlement of the account by the Auditor General and the State Treasurer Provided That for the purposes of this act interest in limited partnerships or joint stock associations shall be deemed to be capital stock and taxable accordingly Provided also That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock under this section shall not be required to pay any further tax on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them and in which the whole body of stockholders or members as such have the entire equitable interest in remainder but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations owning or holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner than for the whole body of stockholders or members thereof as sole equitable owners in remainder shall return and pay the tax imposed by this act upon all securities so owned or held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That in the case of corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes excepting companies engaged in the brewing and distilling of spirits or malt liquors and such as enjoy and exercise the right of eminent domain the tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of two mills upon each dollar of the actual value of the whole capital stock The taxes collected under the provisions of this act are hereby permanently dedicated to the construction maintenance improvement and repairs of the State and State-aid highways of the Commonwealth and shall be kept in a special fund for such purposes in the State Treasury separate and apart from the general revenues of the Commonwealth The State Treasurer shall on the first business day of each month make report to the State Highway Commissioner of the money in said fund available for the use of the State Highway Department When so certified by the State Treasurer the fund shall be available for requisition and expenditure and shall be requisitioned expended settled and vouched as provided by the general laws for funds appropriated from the general revenues of the Commonwealth And provided further in case of fire and marine insurance companies the tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of three mills upon each dollar of the actual value of the whole capital stock Provided That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to apply to building and loan associations chartered by the State of Pennsylvania

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 820, entitled

An Act requiring the erection of detour signs by the authorities by whose direction any public highway may be closed and providing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—181

Albee,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Helt,	Neary,	Stern,
Brady,	Hess,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Taylor,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cook,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Rich,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Walter,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wells,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McKay,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreealy to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 8, as follows:

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all elections heretofore held by any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district within this Commonwealth to increase its indebtedness under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" approved the twentieth day of April on thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and under the acts amendatory thereof where the majority of votes cast at such election was in favor of the increase of indebtedness be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such county city borough township school district or incorporated district did not by separate and independent action prior to the ordinance or vote in pursuance of which notice of election was given to the electors signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or did not in the words of the act and supplements aforesaid authorizing such increase signify their desire for such increase of indebtedness or where the ballots were not certified or signed by the county commissioners or were not printed on the official ballot after the list of candidates but were printed on separate ballots or where full complete and proper return of the votes was not made to the proper court or counted by the court and notwithstanding any defect or informality in the manner of giving notice of such election and notwithstanding any mistake in stating the amount or percentage of the existing debt or the percentage of the proposed increase All bonds issued or to be issued in pursuance of every such election are hereby made valid binding obligations of every such county city borough township school district or incorporated district Provided All the other requirements of the law concerning such election and issue of bonds have been complied with And provided further The provisions of this act shall not apply in any instance where the validity of such election or of any issue of bonds or other security based thereon has been already made the subject of litigation in any court of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—187.

Albee,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Gans,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aston,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Helt,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hess,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Richards,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	West,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Drake,	Mangan,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILL INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

Mr. WOODWARD asked and obtained unanimous consent to introduce the following bill:

House Bill No. 1291.

An Act making an appropriation of two million dollars to the Governor to be used by him in his discretion for the purpose of and preparation for the defense of the Commonwealth and the safety of the people and their property and to aid the Government of the United States in protecting and defending said Government and its people and their property.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. WOODWARD asked and obtained unanimous consent to report the following bill:

Mr. WOODWARD, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1291, entitled

An Act making an appropriation of two million dollars to the Governor to be used by him in his discretion for the purpose of and preparation for the defense of the Commonwealth and the safety of its people and their property and to aid the Government of the United States in protecting and defending said Government and its people and their property.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. WOODWARD asked and obtained unanimous consent to have the following bill read the first time:

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1291, entitled

An Act making an appropriation of two million dollars to the Governor to be used by him in his discretion for the purpose of and preparation for the defense of the Commonwealth and the safety of its people and their property and to aid the Government of the United States in protecting and defending said Government and its people and their property.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 376, as follows

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 303 A permanent organization shall then be effected for the ensuing year as follows

In all school districts of the first class the school directors shall elect a president and a vice-president from their numbers and a secretary who is not a member They shall elect the treasurer of the city constituting such school district of the first class as the school treasurer for such school district for the ensuing fiscal year In each school district of the second third or fourth class the school directors shall elect from their members a president and a vice-president and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a secretary and a treasurer each of whom shall serve for one year In school districts of the second class the secretary and treasurer shall not be members of the board In district of the third and fourth class they may be members of the board The same person shall not be secretary and treasurer of any board of school directors" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 303 A permanent organization shall then be effected for the ensuing year as follows

In all school districts of the first class the school directors shall elect a president and a vice-president from their members and a secretary who is not a member They shall elect the treasurer of the city constituting such school district of the first class as the school treasurer for such school district for the ensuing fiscal year In each school district of the second and third class the school directors shall elect from their members a president and a vice-president and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a treasurer each to serve for one year and shall on the first Monday of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and every four years thereafter elect a secretary for a term of four years Vacancies in the office of secretary shall be filled for the unexpired term In each school district of the fourth class the school directors shall elect from their members a president and a vice-president and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a treasurer each of whom shall serve for a term of one year they shall also on the first Monday of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen elect a secretary for any term not exceeding four years and shall elect successors to such secretary at the expiration of the term of such secretary for terms not exceeding four years Vacancies in the office of such secretary shall be filled for the unexpired term In school districts of the second class the secretary and treasurer shall not be members of the board In districts of the third and fourth class they may be members of the board The same person shall not be secretary and treasurer of any board of school directors

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. BIDELSPACHER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the sponsor to especially explain the provision requiring certain school districts to elect secretaries for four years.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this bill was drawn subsequent to the adoption of a resolution by the Secretaries Association of this State, and approved by the Department of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education. The bill provides that in school districts of the second and third classes, secretaries shall be elected for a term of four years. The argument in favor of the measure is this: That in these larger school districts the secretary has become the financial head of the public school system. The members of school boards as a general thing, in these larger districts of the second and third classes are men who are busy with the affairs of life and are not able to give the attention to the financial end of the school administration that it should receive. It is a foregone conclusion that as a usual thing the superintendent is not a financier, his business is purely to look after the educational matters pertaining to the school. Now the object of the measure is to allow the secretaries some assurance that they will be continued in office for a certain period of time, for four years, so that they can go ahead and plan the financial affairs of the school district without any idea, or any danger, of their being interrupted at the end of one or two years.

Mr. MERVINE. Mr. Speaker, I think this bill is a good one, but it ought to be amended to read "fourth class school districts" also.

Mr. HORNE. Mr. Speaker, I believe that this bill is very valuable; I believe it has merit in it. The average secretary has a great deal of clerical work and where he handles all the business of the board, it is very necessary that he be a capable man. You cannot expect a man to stay in the office for one year and transact the business of that office with any degree of efficiency. If he stays there for a period of four years, it is a rather sure thing that he will be chosen from among those who are well fitted for that work. I think that every man in this House ought to support the Educational Department of this State in voting for this bill.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—181.

Albee,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aston,	Gans,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Black,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Milner,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stites,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stoffiet,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Cook,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Rich,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Wells,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Ringler,	West,
Dell,	Leary,	Rinn,	Whitaker,

Dewey,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Eby,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,		

NAYS—6.

Bidelspacher,	Rininger,	Walter,	Wynne,
Musser,	Wallace,		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Hause Bill No. 46, as follows

An Act requiring employers to permit all employes to have a leave of absence of two hours on election day without and deduction in wages

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person entitled to vote at a general election held within this State shall on the day of such election he entitled to absent himself from any service or employment in which he is then engaged or employed for a period of two hours while the polls of such election are open If such voter shall notify his employer before the day of such election of such intended absence and if thereupon two successive hours for such absence shall be designated by the employed such absence shall be during such designated hours or if the employer upon the day of such notice makes no designation such absence shall be during any two consecutive hours while such polls are open no deduction shall be made from the usual salary or wages of such voter and no other penalty shall be imposed upon him by his employer by reason of such absence This section shall be deemed to include all employes of municipalities

Section 2 A person or corporation who refuses to an employe entitled to vote at an election the privilege of attending thereat as provided by the election law or subjects such employe to a penalty or reduction of wages because of the exercise of such privilege is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. RINN. Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen, I desire to make a final appeal in behalf of this measure, which has incorporated in it the greatest of maxims. It is a maxim that has travelled down to us from the ages—a proverb that was set before mankind, by the sages named in the Old Testament.

The Golden Rule—Do unto others as you would be done by—breathes the same message, conveys the same admonition to God's creatures today as it did in the days of old.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen, I think on a previous occasion I demonstrated the fact that if this bill is enacted into a law it will help strengthen the bond of friendship between employer and employee.

It is needless for me to further discuss that feature of the bill. However, there is another side to the question—another argument in favor of the bill which you may have overlooked. This nation is confronted by a crisis, even greater than that which confronted us in Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-one. The nation is preparing to go to war not to a mere war of conquest, not a war to extend our possessions, not a war of greed and avarice, but a war for world democracy; a war for human freedom, and human progress.

Who will have to bear the brunt of that wor? Who will have to bear the greater part of the burden of taxation which will be the logical result of that war—I mean in the comparative ability to pay that taxation? Who will have to break more sacred home ties—and practically leave their loved ones to the charity of the various communities?

I'll tell you who will have to do this—the men from the mills, the factories, the farms, will have to be the greater burden bearers, as they always have been in the past, and always will be in the future, until war shall be no more. And may I, merciful God in Heaven, hasten that happy day!!!

Gentlemen, it will be the laboring men of Pennsylvania who will form the greatest majority of the grand old Commonwealth's quota of Army and Navy in the coming conflict. President Wilson has called upon labor throughout the nation to the support of the flag. And the men in every field of industry the men who are the bone and sinew of the nation.

Reply:—

"We are coming, Woodrow Wilson. Fifty hundred thousand strong." Just as their fathers replied to Abraham Lincoln in eighteen hundred and sixty-one."

Gentlemen, to-day the blood of labor bubbles with joyous sense of exultation and patriotism. At the thought of the flag that has never known defeat. The flag that ere this has swept the seas and which again is destined to sweep the seas to carry the precious message of liberty, civilization, justice and democracy to foreign land where the poor and lowly are still being ground beneath the iron heel of despotism and tyranny. Labor will follow that grand old flag. Ever looking up to it for inspiration and turning to it for support and comfort as "The people of God turned in the darkness of night to the Pillar of Tire, which was conducting them through the perils of the Wilderness."

Gentlemen, labor is willing to do this for you and for me. Why then, should you deny labor this small concession for which it asks in this bill?

Can you vote against this measure at a time when labor is preparing to make the greatest, the noblest sacrifice mortal man can make?

When the laboring man is willing to break home ties, when he is willing to give up remunerative employment, can you, I ask oppose this measure. And with clear conscience face your home people with the knowledge on your mind? That you have refused labor a mere trifle and yet expect it to give you so much?

Is any gentleman willing to say openly that the laboring man is good enough to fight the nations battles but not good enough to vote unles he profits some of his weekly wage for the opportunity to exercise his right of franchise?

Are you not inspired, gentlemen, by the right of that glorious flag whose honor the laboring men of this Commonwealth will defend.

Does not that noble flag bid you to be just with the men who will defend it even unto death?

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. Speaker, as the opponents of this bill are desirous of having a hearing on it, I move you that it be re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary Local for that purpose.

Mr. REITZEL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 900, as follows:

An Act amending section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three which reads as follows

"Section 19 The certificate above provided for shall have been made within one week of the examination of the patient and within two weeks of the time of the admission of the patient and shall be duly sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of this Commonwealth and of the county where such person has been examined who shall certify to the genuineness of the signatures and to the standing and good repute of the signers Any person falsely certifying as aforesaid shall be guilty

of a misdemeanor and also liable civilly to the party aggrieved" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 19 The certificate above provided for shall have been made within one week of the examination of the patient and within two weeks of the time of the admission of the patient and who shall be duly sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of this Commonwealth who shall certify to the genuineness of the signatures and to the standing and good repute of the signers Any person falsely certifying as aforesaid shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and also liable civilly to the party aggrieved

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—188.

Albee,	Fackler,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Black,	Graham,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milner,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Helt,	Musser,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hess,	Neary,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horton,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Conner,	Hough,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Richards,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Wells,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drake,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The House proceeded to the Third Reading and consideration of House Bill No. 315, as follows:

An Act to further amend section thirteen of an act approved the twenty-fourth doy af July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and one) entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non partisan nominations and elections for sadi offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" as amended

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section thirteen of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" as amended reads as follows

"Section 13 The candidates for nomination at any primary for any office within the provisions of this act to be filled at the succeeding election equal in number to twice the number to be elected at the succeeding election who shall have received at such primary the highest number of votes cast for nomination to the office for which they are candidates (or if the number of all candidates voted for as aforesaid be not more than twice the number to be elected then all the candidates) shall be nominees for such office and their names and none other except as hereinafter provided shall be printed as candidates for such respective offices upon the official ballots which are provided according to law for use at such succeeding election Provided That whenever at any primary any candidate for nomination to any of the aforesaid offices to which but one person is to be elected at the succeeding election shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary and greater than one-half of the number of ballots cast in the political district or division within which the nomination is to be made such candidate shall be the sole nominee for such office and his name and none other shall be printed as candidate for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election

"And provided further That whenever at any primary nominations are to be made of candidates to fill two or more vacancies in any appellate or other court of record composed of two or more judges if any one or more of such candidates shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary (and greater than one-half of the number of ballots cast for any one candidate for any office in the political district or division within which the nomination is to be made) then and in such event each of such candidates shall be the sole nominee for one of the respective vacancies in such office If it appear that less than the whole number of candidates for such office to be elected at the ensuing election have received the required number of votes hereinbefore specified then and in such event he or they who have received that number of votes at the primary shall be the sole nominee or nominees for that number of vacancies in such office and his name or their names and none other shall be printed as candidates for that number of vacancies in and for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election The number of candidates for any remaining vacancy or vacancies in such office for which the primary has declared no sole nominee or nominees as herein just provided and the manner of their election shall remain as provided by existing law In the event of one or more candidates being sole nominees as above provided there shall be two groups of names of candidates on the ballots the names of such sole nominees being in one group and the names of other candidates in the other

"In case of a tie the canddiates receiving the tie vote shall appear and cast lots before the county commissioners or the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the case may be on the third Friday after the primary and the one to whom the lot shall fall shall be entitled to the nomination Provided in any case where the fact of a tie vote is not authoritatively determined until after the third Wednesday after the day of the primary the day for appearing and casting lots shall be the second day after the day of which the fact of such tie vote is authoritatively determined If any candidate or candidates receiving a tie vote fail to appear before twelve o'clock noon on said day the county commissioners or the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the case may be shall cast lots for him or them For the purpose of casting lots any candidate may appear in person or by proxy appointed in writing" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 13 The candidates for nomination at any primary for any office within the provisions of this act to be filled at the succeeding election equal in number to twice the number to be elected at the succeeding election who shall have received at such primary the highest number of votes cast for nomination to the office for which they are candidates (or if the number of all the candidates voted for as aforesaid be not more than twice the number to be elected then all the candidates) shall be the nominees for such office and their names and none other except as here-

inafter provided shall be printed as candidates for such respective offices upon the official ballots which are provided according to law for use at such succeeding election Provided That whenever at any primary any candidate for nomination to any of the aforesaid offices to which but one person is to be elected at the succeeding election shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary and greater than one-half of the number of ballots cast in the political district or division within which the nomination is to be made such candidate shall be the sole nominee for such office and his name and none other shall be printed as candidate for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election

And provided further That whenever at any primary nominations are to be made of candidates to fill two or more vacancies in any appellate or other court of record composed of two or more judges if any one or more of such candidates shall receive a number of votes greater than one-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary then and in such event each of such candidates shall be the sole nominee for one of the respective vacancies in such office One-half of the total number of votes cast for such office at such primary shall be ascertained by taking the total number of votes cast for all the candidates for such office and dividing such total vote of all such candidates by the number of persons each voter is entitled to vote for at such primary for such office and this quotient shall be divided by two and any candidate who receives a greater number of votes than the result obtained by the above method of ascertainment shall have met the requirement hereinbefore provided If it appear that less than the whole number of candidates for such office to be elected at the ensuing election have received the required number of votes hereinbefore specified then and in such event he or they who have received that number of votes at the primary shall be the sole nominee or nominees for that number of vacancies in such office and his name or their names and none other shall be printed as candidates for that number of vacancies in and for such office upon the official ballots for use at such succeeding election The number of candidates for any remaining vacancy or vacancies in such office for which the primary has declared no sole nominee or nominees as herein just provided and the manner of their election shall remain as provided by existing law In the event of one or more candidates being sole nominees as above provided there shall be two groups of names of candidates on the ballots the names of such sole nominees being in one group and the names of other candidates in the other

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On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which this bill passed third reading be reconsidered.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Elections for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 866, as follows:

An Act to regulate the practice of Pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof defining the words "Drug" and "Poison" and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality strength and purity

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That (a) The term "pharmacy" when not otherwise limited shall for all the purposes of this act be taken to mean a retail drug store or any place where drugs medicines or poisons are compounded dispensed prepared or sold at retail (b) The term "drug" as used in this act shall include all medicine and preparations recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia the National Formulary or the American Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia for internal or external use and any other substance or mixture of substances intended to be used for the cure mitigation or prevention of disease of either man or other animals (c) The term "pharmacist" shall for all purposes of this act be deemed to mean a person who is properly registered in accordance with this act of Assembly as a pharmacist

The term "assistant pharmacist" shall for all the purposes of this act be deemed to mean a person who is properly registered in accordance with this act of Assembly as an assistant pharmacist Provided however That all persons registered as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists by the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board of Pennsylvania under the act of May twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven and various supplements and amendments entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons" and to prevent adulterations in drugs and medicinal preparations in the State of Pennsylvania shall be deemed to be pharmacists or assistant pharmacists respectively registered under this act

Section 2 That there shall be established in the State of Pennsylvania a board to be known as "The Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy" to consist of five persons three of whom shall constitute a quorum who shall be appointed for the term of five years by the Governor from among the most skillful pharmacists in Pennsylvania who are not teachers or instructors in any educational institution teaching pharmacy each appointee must have been registered as a pharmacist in Pennsylvania for at least ten years previous to his appointment and he must be actually engaged in conducting a pharmacy at the time of his appointment provided whereas a State Pharmaceutical Examining Board has heretofore been created in this Commonwealth and is now instituted and organized as provided in this act of Assembly the members of the said Board heretofore created shall constitute and henceforth be deemed and taken to be the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy established by this act of Assembly

That the appointed members of said Board heretofore created shall respectively continue to hold office as members of the Board established by this act of Assembly until the expiration of the term for which they were originally appointed The members of said Board shall be paid ten dollars per diem and their necessary expenses when actually engaged in the performance of the duties of the Board

The officers of said Board shall be a President Vice President Secretary and Treasurer which shall be elected annually from among their number The salary of the said Secretary shall be a reasonable amount to be determined by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy The members of said Board shall within ten days of their appointment take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before a properly qualified officer of the county in which they reside that they will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of their office which oath or affirmation which oath shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth

And the said Board shall have the right to employ chemists assistant chemists agents and clerks for the purpose of carrying out the terms and conditions prescribed by this act of Assembly Any vacancy occurring in the said Board shall be filled by the Governor from among such only as are eligible for appointment under this act of Assembly Provided however If the office of a member shall become vacant before the expiration of the term for which said member was appointed the vacancy shall be filled by an appointment by the Governor for the unexpired term only

Section 3 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall meet at least four times a year in the City of Harrisburg or such other place in Pennsylvania as they may deem expedient and examine all persons in the science of pharmacy and its allied branches who shall make application for registration as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists and that the said Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or a majority of them shall grant to such persons as may be qualified registration and certificates of competency and qualification which shall entitle the holders thereof to all the privileges of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under the provisions of this act as may be specified therein

Section 4 That every person applying to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy for examination and registration as a pharmacist shall be not less than twenty-one years of age and of good moral character and must produce satisfactory evidence of having had not less than four years practical experience in a pharmacy under the personal supervision of a pharmacist at least two years of which experience must have been acquired within the United States in the business of retailing compounding or dispensing of drugs chemicals and poisons and of compounding of physicians' prescriptions or in the case of an

applicant having acquired experience in the drug dispensary of a regular public hospital which dispensary was conducted under the constant supervision of a registered pharmacist two years of such experience shall be allowed in lieu of two years required in a pharmacy and of being a graduate of some reputable and properly chartered college of pharmacy so recognized by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy of this or some other State or any foreign country whose pharmacy licensing board or other authority recognizes the graduates of the reputable and properly chartered colleges of pharmacy of this State and admits the graduates of all such colleges to its pharmacy licensure examinations And every person applying for registration as qualified assistant shall be not less than eighteen years of age and of good moral character and must produce satisfactory evidence of having had not less than two years practical experience as defined and provided in this section

Section 5 Each applicant fo rexamination and registration as a pharmacist shall pay to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy an examination fee of five dollars ($5.00) If the said applicant passes a satisfactory examination and complies with the rules and regulations and with the terms and conditions of this act of Assembly then the said Board shall grant the applicant registration and a certificate of competency and qualification as a pharmacist upon the pyment of a fee of twelve dollars ($12.00) provided said fee shall be paid to the said Board within thirty days of the time that the said applicant is notified that a satisfactory examination has been passed

Each applicant for examination and registration as assistant pharmacist must pay a fee of three dollars ($3.00) to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy and if the said applicant passes satisfactory examination and complies with the rules and regulation of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy for the enforcement of this act of assembly and with the terms and conditions of this act of Assembly the said board shall grant the said applicant registration and a certificate of competency and qualification as an assistant pharmacist upon payment of a fee of five dollars ($5.00) provided that said fee shall be paid to the said board within thirty (30) days of the time when the said applicant is notified that a satisfactory examination has been passed

Section 6 That the registration of any pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under this act of Assembly may be revoked by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy when the registration is proved to have been obtained by fraudulent means

Section 7 That there shall be kept in every pharmacy a copy of the latest revision of the United States Pharmacopoeia and the latest edition of the National Formulary and if homeopathic remedies are compounded and dispensed a copy of the latest revision of the American Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia or the Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States which books must be open to the inspection of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or the agents thereof Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 8 That all certificates as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists issued under the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall at all times be conspicuously exhibited in the place of business where the pharmacist or assistant pharmacist is employed Any pharmacist violating this section of this act of Assembly as to the display of his own or his employes' certificates shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 9 That it shall be unlawful for any person to impersonate an applicant before the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy who shall be applying for registration under the provisions of this act of Assembly Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars ($100.00) or to undergo an imprisonment of six months in the county prison or either or both in the discretion of the court

Section 10 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall make uniform rules and regulations for the enforcement of this act including the forms of application for registration in accordance therewith

Section 11 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall enforce the provisions of this act of Assembly investigate all complaints and charges of non-compliance and prosecute all persons so offending whenever reasonable ground shall appear for such action All fines imposed through a violation of this act shall be paid to the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy and by him paid into the State Treasury for use in the enforcement of this act of Assembly

Section 12 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall make an annual report to the Governor of Pennsylvania of the work performed during the year together with a complete financial statement of all moneys received and all moneys paid out One thousand (1,000) copies of this report shall be printed by the State printer of Pennsylvania and two copies sent to each member of the Legislature the remaining copies to be distributed upon application by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy All papers and records together with the minutes of the board shall be filed in the office of the board

Section 13 That hereafter it shall be unlawful to sell drugs medicines or poisons at retail or to compound physicians' prescriptions or to conduct a pharmacy or to practice as a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist except in compliance with the provisions of this act of Assembly provided however that nothing in this act of Assembly shall be so construed as to interfere with students of pharmacy or other employes in a pharmacy from performing such duties as may be assigned to them by and under the supervision of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist and provided further that the compounding of physicians' prescriptions or the dispensing and selling of posons at retail shall not be permitted except under the strict supervision and in the presence of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist

Nothing in this act of Assembly shall be construed so as to prevent an authorized practitioner of medicine from administering or dispensing such drugs to bona fide patients as he or she shall deem necessary provided however that such drugs so administered or dispensed shall conform to the standards of strength quality and purity as fixed by the laws of this Commonwealth nor prevent the sale or manufacture of proprietory medicines nor prevent storekeepers in rural districts from dealing in and selling commonly used medicines Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) or imprisonment for not more than one year or either or both in the discretion of the court

Section 14 That it shall be lawful for a pharmacist to take use and exhibit the title pharmacist pharmacy druggist apothecary or drug store and to have charge of engage in conduct or carry on for himself or for anohter the dispensing compounding or sale of drugs chemicals medicines prescriptions or poisons anywhere within the State but he shall have personal supervision of not more than one pharmacy at the same time

It shall be lawful for an assistant pharmacist to take use or exhibit the title assistant pharmacist and to assist in the dispensing compounding or retailing of drugs chemicals medicines prescriptions or poisons in a pharmacy which is under the management and personal supervision of a pharmacist registered under the provisions of this act he may also perform such duties during the temporary absence of the pharmacist regularly in charge

Section 15 That it shall be unlawful for any person firm or corporation to use the title pharmacist assistant pharmacist druggist or apothecary except as authorized under this act of Assembly It shall further be unlawful to use the title drug store or pharmacy or any title having the same meaning for a place where drugs are sold at retail except by persons registered as pharmacists under the provisions of this act Provided however It shall not be unlawful for the owner of a pharmacy who is not registered under this act as a pharmacist to employ such titles when his pharmacy is conducted by a pharmacist duly registered under this act Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon convictlon shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 16 That the members of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or any of their authorized agents shall have the right to enter any place where drugs are compounded dispensed or sold for the purpose of purchasing samples and shall have the right to purchase samples in order that tests may be made to determine whether such drugs conform to the standards of strength quality and purity as fixed by the laws of this Commonwealth Any person who intentionally prevents or knowingly refuses to permit any authorized person to enter any place where drugs are compounded dispensed or sold for the purpose of purchasing samples or refuses to sell a sample or samples of drugs for the purpose of examination shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 17 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy may register as a pharmacist without examination any person who was duly registered as a pharmacist by examination in some other state provided that the said person shall produce satisfactory evidence of having had the required secondary and professional education demanded of applicants for registration as pharmacist under the provisions of this act and provided also that the state in which such person was registered shall grant registration as a pharmacist without examination to pharmacists duly registered by examination within the meaning of this act A fee of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) shall be paid for such registration

Section 18 Poisons That a poison in the meaning of this act of Assembly shall be any drug chemical or preparation which according to standard works on medicine toxicology or Materia Medica is liable to be distructive to adult human life in quantities of sixty grains or less or any mixture compound or preparation containing in sixty grains or less a sufficient quantity of any such drug chemical or preparation as to make the same liable to be destructive to adult human life if sixty grains or less were to be taken

No person shall sell at retail or dispense any poison except as herein provided without affixing to the bottle box vessel or package containing same a label printed or plainly written containing the name of the article the word "Poison" and the name and place of business of the seller nor shall he deliver poison to any person without satisfying himself that the purchaser understands the poisonous nature of the article and that such poison is to be used for legitimate purposes

It shall be the further duty of anyone selling at retail or dispensing poison which according to standard works on medicine toxicology or Materia Medica are liable to be destructive to adult human life in quantities of five grains or less before delivering them to enter in a book kept for this purpose the name of the seller the name and address

of the buyer the name of the article the quantity sold or disposed of the date on which sold and the purpose for which it is said to be intended Such book of registry shall be preserved for at least two years from the last date of entry and shall at all times be open to inspection of the coroner police authorities or the agents of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy provided however that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the dispensing of physicians' prescriptions specifying poisonous articles nor to the sale of mixed paints of all kinds white lead and colors ground in oil and all lead products for technical purposes

Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00)

Section 19 This act shall not apply to the sale of poisons for tenchical use and not sold or offered for sale as a drug within the meaning of this act provided that the article is labeled to show plainly that it is for technical use and not for medicinal use and is sold in compliance with section eighteen of this act of Assembly

Section 20 That all physicians' prescriptions compounded and dispensed shall be kept on file in the pharmacy in which compounded for a period of at least five years and during that time they shall be open to the inspection of the police authorities upon presentation of an order from the court or to the members of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy

Section 21 That it shall be unlawful for any person to falsely make oath or affirmation to any statement in any application made to this board for registration as a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist or to any statement in support of the experience claimed in any application by any applicant for registration under this act Any person so doing shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) and costs of prosecution

Section 22 That it shall be unlawful for any unregistered person to have charge of a pharmacy and anyone who permits any person who is not registered or deemed to be a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and both shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) and costs of prosecution

Section 23 That all acts and parts of acts so far as they may be in conflict with this act are hereby declared void and of no effect provided however That if any action or prosecution now pending for violations of any of the acts of Assembly hereby repealed occurring prior to the passage of this act of Assembly and provided further that the duties and powers of the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board under any act of the General Assembly in force and effect on and after July first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen shall be taken to be the duties and powers of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy created by this act of Assembly This act shall be in force and effect on and after July first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

Amend as follows:

Page 3, line 19 after "which" strike out "they were" and insert "each was."

Page 3, line 25 after "Treasurer" strike out "which" and insert "all of whom."

Page 7, lines 15 and 16, after the word "shall" in line 15 strike out the words "be guilty of a misdemeanor and" and after the word "conviction" in line 16 strike out the word "shall."

Page 7, lines 24 and 25, after the word "shall" in line 24 strike out "be guilty of a misdemeanor and" after the word "conviction" in line 25 strike out the word "shall."

Page 9, line 26, after the word "keepers" strike out the words "in rural districts."

Page 9, line 27, after the word "used" strike out the word "medicines" and insert "household drugs when the same are offered for sale or sold in packages which have been put up ready for sale to consumers by pharmacists, manufacturing pharmacists, or wholesale druggists."

Page 11, line 23, after the word "shall," at the beginning of the line, strike out "be guilty of a misdemeanor and" and after the word "conviction" in the same line strike out the word "shall."

Page 12, line 13, after the word "be" at the end of the line, strike out "distructive" and insert "destructive."

Page 12, line 29, after the word "dispensing" insert the word "any."

Page 13, line 1, after the words "Materia Medica" strike out the word "are" and insert the word "is."

Page 14, line 4, after the word "time" strike out the word "they" and insert the words "the same."

Page 14, line 21, after the word "act" insert the words "to take charge of a pharmacy."

Page 14, line 21, after the word "and" insert the words "either or."

Page 2, lines 22 and 24, after the word "poisons" in line 22 strike out the "quotation mark" and insert a "quotation mark" after the word "Pennsylvania" in line 24.

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 502 (Senate Bill No. 84), entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—189.

Albee,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Aston,	Geary,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Helt,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Brady,	Hess,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Strauss,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Walker,
Curry,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Robertson,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rogers,	West,
Dell,	Lohr,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wood,
Eby,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zenders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McKinney,		Speaker.
Fowler,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk deturn the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 503 (Senate Bill No. 85), entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Aron,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Arthur,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Aston,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haight,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Helt,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Horne,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Coldsmith,	Horton,	Powell,	Taylor,
Conner,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wagner,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walker,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wells,
Dean,	Lewis,	Robertson,	West,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Malie,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rothenberger,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Eby,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Showalter,	Speaker.
Flynn,	McPeake,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 504 (Senate Bill No. 86), entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—181.

Albee,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Aron,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Aston,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Gans,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Brady,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stern,
Brumbaugh,	Hess,	Musser,	Stites,
Burnett,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Perry,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Horton,	Powell,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Richards,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Williams, G. W.
Dean,	Leary,	Rinn,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Donneley,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Eby,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Scott,	Speaker.
Fackler,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	
Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk deturn the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 493

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

On page 3, line 6, strike out the words "Monday of May" and insert "Day of January."

On page 3, line 7, strike out the word "seventeen" and insert "eighteen."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to say that the amendment is satisfactory to me. This is the firemens two platoon bill and the amendments asks that it goes into effect January 1st, 1918, instead of May 1st of this year.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—188.

Albee,	Erdman,	McKay,	Showalter,
Aron,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Aston,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Geary,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,

Benninger,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Goodnough,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Goodwin,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Black,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Graeff,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Musser,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Conner,	Horton,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Wagner,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rich,	Walter,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Richards,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lafferty,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dean,	Leary,	Robertson,	Williams, G. W.
Dell,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drake,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer. C. A.,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 248.

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

On page 3, line 13, after the word "dissolution" strike out the word "and."

On page 4, line 12, after the word "authority" insert the word "and."

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to state to the House that the amendments made meet with my approval and I therefore move we concur in them.

On the question recurring.

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aron,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Black,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haight,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bovee,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Steedle,
Brady,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stern,
Burnett,	Helt,	Murphy,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Musser,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Taylor,
Christman,	Hollern,	Perry,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Horne,	Pickering,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hough,	Powell,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Wagner,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walter,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Richards,	West,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Lewis,	Rinn,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Lohr,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Eby,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Zanders.
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 250,

An Act relating to limited partnerships Contents

House Bill No. 267,

An Act to amend sections one two three and four of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

House Bill No. 268,

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

House Bill No. 319,

An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

House Bill No. 177,

An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadelphia.

House Bill No. 249,

An Act to amend sections one two three five and six of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for violation of its provisions approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of partnerships in which one or more or all of the partners may limit their liability for the

debts of the partnership to the amount of capital subscribed by such partner or partners respectively and providing penalties for the violation of its provisions" approved the ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine by excepting and excluding all banking and trust companies from the benefit and operation of said act' approved the ninth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one by excepting and excluding all partnerships hereafter formed in which the liability of one or more but not all of the partners is limited to the amount subscribed by such partners to the common stock from the benefit and operation of said act and to provide for existing partnerships where the liability of more than one but not all the partners is limited

House Bill No. 583,

An Act to amend the supplement to an act approved the twenty-first day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine entitled "A Supplement to an act 'to prvide for the care and treatment of the indigent insane of the several counties of the Commonwealth in State hospitals for the insane' approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three" as amended by fixing the maximum amount for maintenance weekly per capita.

Whereupon,

The Speaker in the presence of the House signed the same.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 349.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 349, entitled "An Act transferring parts of funds appropriated to the State Fire Marshal by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the payment of the salary of the State Fire Marshal for the payment of the salary of the first second third and fourth special deputy State Fire Marshals and for the payment of the salaries of twenty-five deputy Stae Fire Marshals to a fund for the payment of contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants for the reporting of fires and mileage incident thereto for the services of clerks for the investigation of incendiary fires and the inspection of property for the payment of services and expenses of detectives employed by the State Fire Marshal for special work in the detection and prosecution of the crime of arson for the payment of costs and witness fees the taking of testimony and the service of processes and for carrying aut the provisions of the act establishing the Department of the State Fire Marshal."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 32.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 32, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Danville, Pennsylvania."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 3.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 3, entitled "An Act giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the purchase by the United States of land contiguous to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia County for arsenal purposes and ceding jurisdiction over said land and providing for the retention of concurrent jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the United States on said land for the service of legal processes thereupon."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 87.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 87, entitled "An Act authorizing William H. Heard of Chester Delaware County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 223.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 223, entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of continuing and maintaining schools among the Cornplanter Indians of Warren County."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 85.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 85, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of cigars or tobacco or both cigars and tobacco or for buying selling or dealing in cigars or tobacco or both or for the manufacture and sale of artificial silk to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and warehouses for storage of such articles and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 90.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 30, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 90, entitled "An Act to amend section one of article two chapter seven of the act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and ilfteen entitled 'An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs.'"

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1291, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation of two million dollars to the Governor to be used by him in his discretion for the purpose of and preparation for the defense of the Commonwealth and the safety of its people and their property and to aid the Government of the United States in protecting and defending said Government and its people and their property.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORT FROM THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

The SPEAKER. The Chair lays before the House a communication from the Economy and Efficiency Commission which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read the communication as follows:

THE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,
HARRISBURG.

Commissioners
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH,
Governor.
A. W. POWELL,
Auditor General.
FRANCIS SHUNK BROWN,
Attorney General.
HARRY S. McDEVITT,
Solicitor.

April 2, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In compliance with Concurrent Resolution adopted by your Honorable Bodies January 29, 1917, which reads as follows:

"Whereas, The General Appropriation Bill enacted by the General Assembly of 1915 provided money in accordance with section fifteen of article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth; and

"Whereas, The appropriation period covered by the General Appropriation Bill of 1915 will expire May 31, 1917;

"Therefore, Be it Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and is hereby directed to furnish not later than March 1, 1917, the following information:

"First: Items appropriated to the Departments, Commissions and Boards of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years beginning June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917.

"Second: The amount expended from each appropriation between June 1, 1915, and December 31, 1916.

"Third: The estimated needs of each Department, Commission and Board of the Executive Branch of the Government for the two years begining June 1, 1915, and ending May 31, 1917."

I beg to hand you herewith the statistical data compiled by this Commission in pursuance of the mandate of your resolution.

This information in full was ready for submission to your honorable bodies at the time indicated. You were not then in session. Meanwhile arrangements were made to have meetings of the Economy and Efficiency Commission, and the respective Chairman of the Appropriation Committees of the Senate and House with the heads of the several Executive and other State Departments. These meetings began on March 14, 1917, upon the return of the Appropriation Committees from a tour of the institutions throughout the State seeking appropriation: The Commission, therefore, did submit this information in this manner to your responsible Chairman, and have steadily since with them sat in conference to hear the reasons for the Departmental appropriations and to secure such reductions as a sound economy and a due efficiency could support, based upon the revenues of the Commonwealth.

We have also prepared and will at an early date submit a report sugesting such modifications in the organization of the several Departments as will promote greater economy or efficiency or both.

Your Commission has sought by careful investigation to assist you in your work and thus to lessen the laborious task of ascertaining the necessary data to guide you in making appropriations to those Departments.

Our general report has been postponed by reason of the fact that we have not as yet received any information from you of the amount of additional revenue you intend to provide for the next two fiscal years, as a result of taxing measures proposed by the Revenue Commission created for that purpose by your Honorable Bodies.

Information of the approximate amount of such expected additional revenue would manifestly have a material bearing upon the amounts which could be profitably expended by such of our Departments as have to do vitally with the welfare of our people and the conservation and promotion of wise industrial activities in our State, and such information is essential to any suggestions which this Commission may have to submit.

When this information is given us your Commission will at once make further report to your Honorable Bodies or to your Appropriation Committees, as you may direct, of the sums which in our judgment will secure an economic and efficient performance of administrative duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

Yours very truly,

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH,
Chairman.

The SPEAKER. The report will be noted on the Journal of the House and with the accompanying exhibit printed in to-day's Legislative Journal.

The exhibit is as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
1—Adjutant General's Department,	{$1,465,248 00 { 1,454,560 00	$668,661 54	{ $301,912 00 {1,756,760 00	$661,760 00
2—Agricultural Department,**	{966,900 00 {770,000 00	635,437 62	{ 295,800 00 {1,065,800 00	910,800 00
3—Armory Board,*	{507,945 06 {407,945 00	288,434 31	{2,579,747 50 {2,987,692 50	12,000 00
4—Attorney General's Department,	{216,200 00 {194,200 00	123,326 45	{ None {194,200 00	184,200 00
5—Auditor General's Department,	{454,000 00 {423,000 00	322,297 50	{ 4,000 00 {419,000 00	459,000 00
6—Banking Department,	{233,500 00 {207,500 00	154,677 27	{ 8,000 00 {215,500 00	214,500 00
7—Board of Pardons,	10,400 00	7,763 33	10,400 00	10,400 00
8—Board of Public Accounts,	(Veto—7,000 00)	----------	----------	7,000 00
9—Board of Public Charities,	{105,500 00 {101,000 00	58,934 30	{ None {101,000 00	93,000 00
10—Board of Public Grounds and Buildings,	4,000 00	3,166 56	4,000 00	4,000 00
11—Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure,	{48,500 00 {42,000 00	34,607 11	{ 4,000 00 {46,000 00	46,000 00
12—Bureau of Professional Education,	{25,000 00 {18,000 00	12,944 53	{ 2,000 00 {20,000 00	20,000 00
13—Bureau of Vocational Education,	{426,300 00 {325,300 00	142,283 98	{352,500 00 {677,800 00	739,300 00
14—College and University Council,	1,000 00	134,25	1,000 00	1,000 00

APPROPRIATIONS.—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Dairy and Food Division (See Agricultural Department).				
15—Dental Council,	$4,000 00 3,000 00	2,156 86	None 3,000 00	3,000 00
16—Distribution of Documents,	109,800 00 92,800 00	54,548 37	17,000 00 109,800 00	89,800 00
Economic Zoologist (See Agricultural Department).				
17—Executive Controller,	15,600 00 14,600 00	10,606 55	None 14,600 00	14,600 00
18—Executive Department,	91,260 00 90,760 00	64,622 67	None 90,760 00	90,760 00
19—Free Library Commission,	32,000 00 25,000 00	19,434 69	13,000 00 38,000 00	31,000 00
20—Fire Marshal's Department,	214,400 00 126,200 00	74,536 68	291,200 00 417,400 00	203,200 00
21—Fisheries Department,	270,500 00 247,000 00	203,204 29	220,200 00 467,200 00	323,000 00
22—Forestry Department,*	710,500 00 608,500 00	499,010 48	1,080,500 00 1,689,000 00	829,000 00
23—Game Commissioners,	303,200 00	224,759 00	65,600 00 368,800 00	368,800 00
24—Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Commission,	4,000 00	1,455 82		
25—Health Department,	4,637,387 00 4,252,907 00	3,181,574 41	1,290,695 00 5,543,064 00	5,412,284 00
26—Health Officer (Philadelphia),	15,040 00 14,200 00	11,211 66	50 00 14,250 00	14,250 00
27—Highway Department,	8,002,792 67 7,661,000 00	6,623,082 59	12,144,207 33 19,939,000 00	1,838,000 00
28—Internal Affairs Department,	162,800 00 155,600 00	118,738 32	None 155,600 00	152,900 00
29—Insurance Department,	208,000 00 191,000 00	127,734 45	30,000 00 221,000 44	216,000 00
30—Labor and Industry Department,* **	1,033,933 32 938,433 32	649,693 88	1,053,860 00 2,012,293 32	1,343,893 32
31—Lake Erie and Ohio River Canal Board,*	43,515 55	35,798 01	18,515 55 25,000 00	
32—Lieutenant Governor,	16,000 00	12,088 05	16,000 00	16,000 00
33—Legislative Reference Bureau,	58,800 00 51,800 00	35,898 13	6,000 00 57,800 00	57,800 00
Livestock Sanitary Board (See Agricultural Department).				
34—Meade Memorial Commission,	50,000 00			
35—Mining Department,	625,800 00 508,800 00	355,856 83	55,000 00 563,800 00	539,800 00
36—Moving Picture Censors,	84,920 00 80,920 00	61,725 99	7,000 00 87,920 00	92,920 00
37—Navigation Commissioners,	63,000 00 60,000 00	45,341 54	3,000 00 63,000 00	63,000 00
38—Pennsylvania Historical Commission,	15,500 00 12,500 00		2,500 00 15,000 00	15,000 00
39—Public Grounds and Buildings Department,	1,167,880 00 1,033,880 00	897,544 79	418,600 00 1,462,680 00	1,326,680 00
40—Public Printing and Binidng Department,	741,025 00 699,025 00	675,895 98	510,000 00 1,209,025 00	1,208,025 00
41—Public Service Commission,	588,320 00 548,320 00	384,631 74	420,840 00 969,160 00	969,160 00
42—Public Instruction Department,*	15,096,200 00 15,092,700 00	13,122,579 03	3,001,000 00 18,093,700 00	93,700 00
43—Prison Labor Commission, * **	83,000 00	58,123 87	292,000 00 375,000 00	
44—Quarantine Physician (Philadelphia),	91,270 00 85,270 00	61,187 22	38,230 00 123,500 00	123,500 00
45—Revenue Commissioners,	3,800 00	3,008 33	3,800 00	3,800 00
46—Sinking Fund Commissioners,	3,800 00	2,983 30	3,800 00	3,800 00
47—State Board of Education,**	1,260,297 09 1,220,797 09	278,454 21	169,039 49 1,389,836 58	433,000 00
48—State Department,	339,000 00 313,000 00	198,442 95	2,000 00 315,000 00	315,000 00
49—State Library,	106,390 00 96,390 00	72,742 29	10,000 00 106,390 00	99,390 00
50—State Museum,	25,800 00 25,300 00	19,744 00	2,700 00 28,000 00	28,000 00
51—State Police,	714,635 00 699,635 00	533,542 37	105,000 00 804,635 00	804,635 00
52—Treasury Department,	248,640 00 230,140 00	171,804 44	10,800 00 241,040 00	230,940 00
53—Valley Forge Park Commissioners,	188,150 00 153,650 00	91,525 41	73,450 00 227,100 00	227,100 00
54—Water Supply Commission,	1,700,400 00 190,400 00	127,005 94	10,000 00 180,400 00	150,400 00
55—Workmen's Insurance Fund,	315,000 00	150,545 49	85,000 00 400,000 00	300,000 00
Workmen's Compensation Bureau (See Labor and Industry).				
Total,	$43,080,133 08 40,458,828 63	$31,706,509 38	$65,344,506 40	$21,395,097 32

* One star indicates that items asked for by this department are contingent upon an increase in the State's revenue, and for that reason a recommendation has not been made at this time.

** These indicate that certain items asked for by this department are contingent upon the enactment of pending legislation, and for that reason no recommendation has been made at this time.

1—ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916,	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salary of Adjutant General,	$12,000 00	$9,500 00	$12,000 00	12,000 00
Salaries of clerk hire, and employes of the State Arsenal,	84,160 00	66,167 94	84,160 00	84,160 00
Contingent expenses, including the shipment of arms,	7,800 00	5,911 63	9,000 00	9,000 00
Salaries of the State Military Board,	3,600 00	950 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
Payment of service rendered in computing, and filing claims of the State against the Government of the U. S. for stores furnished for the Spanish American War,	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Purchase of militay stores, in place of those sold or exchanged,	40,000 00	21,331 00	45,000 00	45,000 00
Payment to organization of the National Guard, or U. S. Government of amounts recovered by or on account of officers delinquent in accounting for public moneys,	6,000 00	303 21	8,000 00	8,000 00
To reimburse the U. S. Government or organizations of the National Guard for losses incurred by fire, in cases where such losses have been covered by insurance,	15,000 00	.....	20,000 00	.....
National Guard and Naval Militia, support,	785,000 00	470,758 00	1,075,000 00	**
National Guard Emergency Fund,	500,000 00	93,739 26	500,000 00	500,000 00
Total,	$1,454,560 00	$668,661 54	$1,756,760 00	$661,760 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$1,465,248 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	1,454,848 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	301,912 00

** Unexpended balance.

2—STATE COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE.

Salary of Secretary of Agriculture,	$10,000 00	$7,916 54	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Salary of Deputy Secretary of Agriculture,	8,000 00	5,741 71	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of Economic Zoologist,	8,000 00	5,999 79	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of State Veterinarian	8,000 00	6,333 11	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of Chief Chemist,	8,000 00	5,599 83	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of Chief Clerk,	4,800 00	3,800 00	4,800 00	4,800 00
Salary of Stenographer and Typewriter,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of Messenger,	2,000 00	1,583 11	2,000 00	2,000 00
Salary of Clerk to the Director of Farmer's Institutes,	3,600 00	2,850 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salary of Assistant Economic Zoologist,	4,000 00	2,999 88	4,000 00	4,000 00
Salary of Clerk to Economic Zoologist,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salary of Stenographer to the Economic Zoologist	2,400 00	1,990 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of messenger to the Economic Zoologist,	1,800 00	1,425 00	1,800 00	1,800 00
Salary of Deputy Veterinarian,	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salary of Clerk to State Veterinarian,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of Stenographer to the State Veterinarian,	1,800 00	1,425 00	1,800 00	1,800 00
Contingent, expenses, including traveling expenses of the officer of the Department,	7,000 00	4,939 33	10,000 00	8,000 00
Traveling and other necessary expenses of the members of the State Commission of Agriculture,	7,000 00	2,507 11	7,000 00	5,000 00
Payment of expenses of the Farmers' Local Institutes including lectures, salaries,	40,000 00	24,208 10	45,000 00	40,000 00
Maintenance of Bureau of Statistics,	20,000 00	12,071 35	25,000 00	25,000 00
Protection of trees, etc.,	75,000 00	66,338 08	100,000 00	100,000 00
Expenses of the State Board of Agriculture, etc.,	2,500 00	1,002 13	2,500 00	2,500 00
Inspection of seeds,	2,500 00	1,910 31	4,000 00	4,000 00
Inspection of commercial fertilizers,	35,000 00	34,714 09	35,000 00	35,000 00
Inspection of commercial feeding stuffs, etc.,	20,000 00	16,894 71	20,000 00	20,000 00
Inspection of crushed limestone, lime gypsum, etc.,	2,000 00	4,827 60	6,000 00	6,000 00
Inspection of crushed limestone, lime gypsum, etc.,	4,000 00			
Instructors and demonstrators in agriculture,	40,000 00	35,137 20	40,000 00	40,000 00
Payment of the cost of selecting samples and making analysis of and expenses including salaries—to prevent adulteration of linseed oil,	2,000 00	1,696 38	3,000 00	3,000 00
Payment of cost of selecting samples and making analysis and expenses, including salaries—to prevent deception in the sale of paint, putty and turpentine,	3,000 00	2,321 82	4,000 00	4,000 00
Apiary Inspection,	5,000 00	3,298 28	15,000 00	10,000 00
Bureau of Disbursements,			7,500 00	7,500 00
Markets,			15,000 00	**
Expansion and New Work,			10,000 00	**
White Pine Blister Rust Control,			10,000 00	**

**This appropriation is contingent upon the enactment of pending Legislation.

Dairy and Food Division—

Salary of Dairy and Food Commissioner,	8,000 00	6,333 11	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of Clerk,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salary of Messenger	1,800 00	1,425 00	1,800 00	1,800 00
Salaries of special agents,	45,000 00	34,757 50	45,000 00	45,000 00
Salaries of Attorneys, Assistants and special work,	12,500 00	10,613 41	12,500 00	12,500 00
Salaries of clerical, stenographers services,	17,000 00	12,407 50	12,800 00	12,800 00

2—STATE COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salaries of chemists, together with their actual expenses, ..	30,000 00	22,969 72	36,000 00	30,000 00
Payment of the inspection of cold storage plants, ...	20,000 00	12,453 91	20,000 00	20,000 00
Payment of traveling and necessary expenses of the Dairy and Food Commissioner and special agents, etc., ...	27,500 00	19,686 71	27,500 00	27,500 00
State Livestock Board—				
Payment of the expenses—to encourage the breeding of horses, ...	6,000 00	4,134 72	6,000 00	6,000 00
Payment of indemnity for animals afflicted with dangerous, contagious or infectious diseases, etc., ...	200,000 00	195,460 53	400,000 00	300,000 00
Salaries and actual expenses of agents of the Board of the Meat Hygiene Service	58,000 00	42,455 05	58,000 00	58,000 00
Total, ...	$770,000 00	$635,437 62	$1,065,800 00	$910,800 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, ...	$966,900 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ...	770,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915, ...	295,800 00

3—STATE ARMORY BOARD.

Salaries of the members of the State Armory Board, except members ex-officio	$12,000 00	$9,000 00	$12,000 00	$12,000 00
Erecting and completing Armories	250,000 00	193,848 38	2,750,000 00	*
Managing and caring for Armories, necessary repairs, etc.,	120,945 00	85,585 93	225,692 50	*
Erecting of Armories, appropriation available only for such amount as may revert to the State Treasury from appropriation for like purpose under Act of July 25, 1913,..	25,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Total	407,945 00	288,434 31	2,987,692 50	

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$507,945 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	407,945 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915	2,579,747 50

* This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.

4—ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Attorney General	$24,000 00	$19,000 00	$24,000 00	$24,000 00
Salaries of six deputies Attorney General	61,000 00	41,029 92	61,000 00	61,000 00
Salaries of private secretary, three law clerks, five stenographers, one messenger and one telephone operator	41,200 00	27,308 07	41,200 00	41,200 00
Salaries of such additional Deputy Attorneys General, law clerks and stenographers	28,000 00	19,510 16	28,000 00	28,000 00
Contingent expenses, official fees, witness fees, etc., and for postage, express charges and law books	20,000 00	14,621 70	20,000 00	20,000 00
Payment of services and expenses of attorneys to be employed assist in the prosecution and trial of cases	20,000 00	1,856 60	20,000 00	10,000 00
Total	$194,200 00	$123,326 45	$194,200 00	$184,200 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$216,200 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ...	194,200 00

5—AUDITOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Auditor General, ...	$ 16,000 00	$ 12,666 56	$ 16,000 00	$ 16,000 00
Salaries of Deputy Auditor General, Assistant and Chief Clerk, ...	27,000 00	20,624 99	27,000 00	27,000 00
Salaries of Chief Clerk Bureau of Corporations, and two assistants, ...	27,000 00	19,583 21	27,000 00	27,000 00
Salaries of all other Clerks and employes, ...	196,200 00	150,132 14	202,200 00	202,000 00
Salaries of eight Traveling Auditors, ...	28,800 00	21,582 48	28,800 00	28,800 00
Expenses of Deputies, Traveling Auditors, etc, ...	14,000 00	12,021 51	15,000 00	15,000 00
Purchase of Patent Indices, books, ...	2,000 00	1,996 49	2,000 00	2,000 00
Collection of Delinquent Corporation Taxes, ...	25,000 00	24,968 52	30,000 00	35,000 00
Compensation Infirmants Escheats, ...	20,000 00	7,793 65	25,000 00	25,000 00
Costs in suits against delinquent dealers, ...	8,000 00	7,011 46	10,000 00	10,000 00

5—AUDITOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Balance due retired County Officers,	3,000 00	395 85	3,000 00	3,000 00
Payment of Postage, express charges,	16,000 00	12,064 60	16,000 00	16,000 00
Payment of salaries of such clerks, stenographers, bookkeepers and employes necessary to carry out the Economy and Efficiency recommendations,	25,000 00	17,742 11		25,000 00
Payment of mileage of the appraisers of the mercantile and other license taxes of the several counties,	15,000 00	13,713 93	17,000 00	17,000 00
Total,	423,000 00	322,297 50	419,000 00	
Publishing of monthly statements of General and Sinking Funds,				10,000 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, $ 454,000 00				459,000 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, 423,000 00				

6—BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Banking Commissioner,	$ 12,000 00	$ 9,500 00	$ 12,000 00	$ 12,000 00
Salary of Deputy Banking Commissioner,	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salary of Chief Clerk,	3,600 00	2,518 47	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salaries of five clerks,	14,000 00	11,029 96	14,000 00	14,000 00
Salaries of three stenographers and typewriters,	6,000 00	4,499 31	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salary of messenger,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Contingent expenses,	3,500 00	3,062 50	3,500 00	3,500 00
Salaries of employes, and other expenses incident to the supervision of private banks,	10,000 00	6,520 28	10,000 00	10,000 00
Salaries and expenses of examiners,	140,000 00	108,275 97	150,000 00	150,000 00
Payment of necessary expenses occasioned by instituting proceedings for violation of Act of 23d April, 1909,	2,000 00	11 80	2,000 00	2,000 00
Salaries of employes and other expenses incident to the supervision of loaning money,	8,000 00	2,608 98	6,000 00	5,000 00
Total,	207,500 00	154,677 27	215,500 00	214,500 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, $233,500 00				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, 207,500 00				
Increase of estimate for 1917 over amount approved in 1915, 8,000 00				

7—BOARD OF PARDONS.

Salaries of the members of the Board of Pardons	$4,000 00	$3,000 00	$4,000 00	$4,000 00
Salary of the Secretary	2,000 00	1,583 33	2,000 00	2,000 00
Salary of the Recorder	1,000 00	791 67	1,000 00	1,000 00
Salary of the Clerk	1,000 00	791 67	1,000 00	1,000 00
Salary of the messenger	800 00	633 33	800 00	800 00
Salary of the tipstaff	800 00	633 33	800 00	800 00
Postage, express charges and other incidental expenses	800 00	330 00	800 00	800 00
Total	$10,400 00	$7,763 33	$10,400 00	$10,400 00

8—BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Salaries of clerk, stenographer and messenger,			$ 6,400 00	$ 6,400 00
Postage, expressage and other incidentals,			600 00	600 00
Total,			7,000 00	7,000 00

9—BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

Salary of the general agent and secretary,	$ 10,000 00	$ 7,916 54	$ 10,000 00	$ 10,000 00
Salary of the Secretary of the Committee on Lunacy,	10,000 00	7,916 54	10,000 00	10,000 00
4 Assistant general agents,	20,000 00	13,635 61	20,000 00	20,000 00
Clerical expert and other assistance,	28,000 00	16,437 10	30,000 00	28,000 00
Traveling and other expenses of the Commissioners,, officers, etc.,	28,000 00	10,877 51	26,000 00	20,000 00
Postage, telegrams, express charges, messenger service, fuel, light and incidental expenses,	5,000 00	2,151 00	5,000 00	5,000 00
Total,	101,000 00	58,934 30	101,000 00	93,000 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, $105,500 00				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, 101,000 00				

10—BOARD OF PUBLIC GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Auditor General	$1,200 00	$950 00	$1,200 00	$1,200 00
State Treasurer	1,200 00	950 00	1,200 00	1,200 00
Salary of the Secretary	1,200 00	950 00	1,200 00	1,200 00
Salary of the Stenographer	400 00	316 56	400 00	400 00
Total	$4,000 00	3,166 56	$4,000 00	$4,000 00

11—BUREAU OF MEDICAL EDUCATION AND LICENSURE.

Salaries and expenses of officers and members, and incidental expenses	$30,000 00	$22,621 04	$30,000 00	$30,000 00
Payment of expenses incurred in the regulation and practice of midwifery	12,000 00	11,986 07	16,000 00	16,000 00
Total	$42,000 00	$34,607 11	$46,000 00	$46,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$48,500 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	42,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915	4,000 00

12—BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION.

Salaries of officers and assistants and expenses of the Bureau of Professional Education in the Department of Public Instruction,	$18,000 00	$12,944 53	$20,000 00	$20,000 00
Total,	18,000 00	12,944 53	20,000 00	20,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$25,000 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	20,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	2,000 00

13—BUREAU OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION.

		*		
For the support of agricultural schools or departments,	$97,500 00	†$37,742 01	$350,000 00	$425,000 00
For the support of industrial schools or departments	120,000 00	†35,115 31	195,000 00	190,000 00
For the support of household arts schools or departments,	30,000 00	†13,517 76	70,000 00	60,000 00
For the payment of the tuition of pupils who attend vocational schools outside of their own district,	15,000 00	†8,376 93	.....	.....
Payment of salaries and expenses of the officers and supervisors, clerks and stenographers, etc.,	62,800 00	47,531 97	62,800 00	64,300 00
Total,	$325,300 00	$142,283 98	$677,800 00	$739,300 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$426,300 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	325,300 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	325,500 00

* The amount of money in this column represents the amount of money expended for vocational schools from June 1, 1915, to June 1, 1916. It does not represent any money expended from the first of June, 1916, to the thirty-first of December 1916. It is impossible to calculate the amount of money expended between the first of June, 1916, and the first of June, 1917, inasmuch as the school year does not end until the first Monday in July, 1917. However, the reports received in this office indicate that the establishment of vocational schools will have to be curtailed so that the expenditure for the two years ending the first of June, 1917, will not exceed the amount appropriated for that period.

In order to care for the vocational schools for the two years beginning the first of June, 1917, and ending the thirty-first of May, 1919, the sums indicated in the third column will be necessary if Pennsylvania is to receive from the Federal Government the amount of moneys provided for in the Smith-Huges bill.

† The sums marked † in the second column represent the appropriation made to vocational schools and departments for the first year only of the two year period, June 1, 1915—June 1, 1917. These payments are made but once a year, in the fall of the year following the annual report made by school districts to the Bureau of Vocational Education, said report being made during the month of July. These vocational schools have been in operation in Pennsylvania only a few months more than three years which means that this type of education is just in the stage of initial development. This also means that the number of such schools the first year was necessarily small and that the increase each year for a few years will be very pronounced and very rapid until this type of education becomes established generally throughout the State. This accounts for the substantial increase that is asked for and which should be made if additional schools are to be established in school districts not now enjoying this type of education.

14—COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COUNCIL.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916,	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Payment of the traveling expenses of the members of the Council	$1,000 00	$134 25	$1,000 00	$1,000 00
Total	$1,000 00	$134 25	$1,000 00	$1,000 00

15—DENTAL COUNCIL OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Payment of the necessary expenses of the Dental Council ..	$3,000 00	$2,156 86	$3,000 00	$3,000 00
Total	$3,000 00	$2,156 86	$3,000 00	$3,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$4,000 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	3,000 00

16—DIVISION OF DISTRIBUTION OF DOCUMENTS.

Salary of the Chief of the Division,	$ 4,800 00	$ 3,800 00	$ 4,800 00	$ 4,800 00
Salaries of the shipping clerks, mailing clerks, stenographer, bookkeeper and messenger,	20,000 00	15,650 31	20,000 00	20,000 00
Payment for shipping public documents by freight, including freight and drayage,	4,000 00	775 06	.....	.....
Payment of freight, drayage, postage and express,	60,000 00	31,958 97	75,000 00	60,000 00
Contingent expenses,	4,000 00	2,364 03	10,000 00	5,000 00
Total,	92,800 00	54,548 37	109,800 00	89,800 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$109,800 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	92,800 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	17,000 00

17—EXECUTIVE CONTROLLER DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Executive Controller	$6,000 00	$4,750 00	$6,000 00	$6,000 00
Salary of Assistant Executive Controller	3,600 00	2,850 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salary of the stenographer and typewriter	2,000 00	1,583 33	2,000 00	2,000 00
Contingent expense, extra clerk hire, investigation, etc., ...	3,000 00	1,423 20	2,000 00	3,000 00
Total	$14,600 00	$10,606 55	$14,600 00	$14,600 00

Total amount approved by Legislature in 1915	$15,600 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	14,600 00

18—EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Governor,	$20,000 00	$15,833 34	$20,000 00	$20,000 00
Salaries of clerk hire,	33,760 00	25,320 06	33,760 00	33,760 00
Contingent expenses, including clerical and stenographic charges for the Executive Department,	7,000 00	3,356 11	7,000 00	7,000 00
Traveling and incidental expenses of the Governor, miscellaneous expenses in the conduct and management of the Executive Mansion, purchase and maintenance of an automobile,	30,000 00	20,113 16	30,000 00	30,900 00
Total,	$90,760 00	$64,622 67	$90,760 00	$90,760 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$91,260.00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915.	90,760.00

19—PENNSYLVANIA FREE LIBRARY COMMISSION.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1914, to May 31, 1919.
Salaries and expenses incident to the establishment and maintenance of traveling libraries	$24,000 00	$18,923 00	$37,000 00	$30,000 00
Payment of traveling expenses of the members of the Commission and its officers	1,000 00	511 11	1,000 00	1,000 00
Total	$25,000 00	$19,434 69	$38,000 00	$31,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$32,000 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	25,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915	13,000 00

20—STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S DEPARTMENT.

Salary of State Fire Marshal	$10,000 00	$5,443 51	.....	$10,000 00
Salary of Chief Deputy Fire Marshal	8,000 00	6,333 33	.....	8,000 00
Salaries of the first, second, third and fourth special deputy State Fire Marshals	20,200 00	15,582 51	.....	28,200 00
Salaries of clerks and stenographers	24,000 00	9,500 00	.....	24,000 00
Salaries of twenty-five Deputy Fire Marshals	54,000 00	28,014 16	.....	75,000 00
Contingent expenses, for contingent traveling expenses of the State Fire Marshal, his deputies, etc.	10,000 00	9,663 17	.....	58,000 00
Note—				
State Fire Commissioner	.....	.....	$10,000 00	.....
First Deputy Fire Commisioner	.....	.....	8,000 00	.....
Second Deputy State Fire Commisioner	.....	.....	6,000 00	.....
Four Deputy State Fire Commissioners	.....	.....	24,000 00	.....
Chief Clerk	.....	.....	5,000 00	.....
Statistician	.....	.....	4,000 00	.....
Messenger	.....	.....	2,200 00	.....
Clerks and stenographers (5 steno., 15 clerks)	.....	.....	57,000 00	.....
10 State Fire Marshals (deputies)	.....	.....	36,000 00	.....
30 State Fire Marshals (deputies)	.....	.....	90,000 00	.....
Contingent	.....	.....	21,600 00	.....
Traveling expenses, etc., State Fire Commissioner, First and Second State Fire Commissioners; four Deputy State Fire Commissioners, forty State Fire Marshals	.....	.....	112,800 00	.....
Reporting of fires	.....	.....	21,600 00	.....
Inspecting buildings	.....	.....	4,800 00	.....
Investigations	.....	.....	12,000 00	.....
Demolition and removal of buildings and other hazards	.....	.....	10,000 00	.....
Payment of costs, witneses' fees and taking of testimony			2,000 00	
Service of special investigators	.....	.....	6,000 00	.....
Postage and miscellaneous expenses	.....	.....	6,000 00	.....
Total	$126,200 00	$74,536 68	$417,400 00	$203,200 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$214,400 00
Total amount aproved by the Governor in 1915	126,200 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915	291,200 00

21—FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Commissioner of Fisheries,	$9,000 00	$7,125 00	$9,000 00	$9,000 00
Salary of clerk,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salaries of two stenographers,	4,800 00	3,800 00	4,800 00	4,800 00
For the purpose of hatching and propagating and distributing food and game fish,—and employing necessary labor,	90,000 00	69,866 96	108,000 00	100,000 00
Payment of counsel fees and court expenses,	1,000 00	635 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Payment of necessary and reasonable expenses of the Commissioner and other members of the Fishery Commission,	4,000 00	3,416 59	8,000 00	5,000 00
Erection of fishways,	1,000 00	996 30	5,000 00	.....
Repairs to State fishways,	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00	.....
Salaries and reasonable expenses of fish wardens,	33,600 00	25,344 45	100,000 00	60,000 00
Contingent expenses,	2,000 00	1,404 24	2,000 00	2,000 00
Maintaining and operating launch "Commodore Perry" on Lake Erie,	9,000 00	8,377 13	12,000 00	13,000 00
Maintaining and operating cruiser "Anna" at Torresdale	1,600 00	1,569 90	2,400 00	2,200 00
Field work gathering spawn,—and paying necessary labor and incidental expenses,	14,000 00	12,122 64	20,000 00	15,000 00
Buildings, ponds, extensions, etc.,	65,000 00	58,544 87	100,000 00	65,000 00
Dredging out the channels, ponds and improvements on Presque Isle Peninsula, etc.,	8,000 00	7,626 21	40,000 00	10,000 00
For the purchase of land and water supplies adjacent to the present State hatcheries,	.....	.....	33,000 00	33,000 00

21—FISHERIES DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
For the purchase of a new boat to replace the present tug "Commodore Perry" on Lake Erie,	.....	.....	18,000 00	.....
Total,	$247,000 00	$203,204 29	$467,200 00	$323,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$270,500 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	247,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	220,200 00

22—FORESTRY DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Commissioner of Forestry,	$6,000 00	$4,750 00	$6,000 00	$6,000 00
Salary of Deputy Commissioner of Forestry,	5,000 00	3,958 27	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salaries of clerk hire,	6,000 00	4,500 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Contingent expenses,	4,000 00	2,994 94	5,000 00	9,000 00
Payment of traveling and other expenses of the members of the State Forestry Reservation Commission,	5,000 00	3,412 74	5,000 00	.....
Salaries and expenses of foresters and forest rangers,	225,000 00	194,702 37	375,000 00	375,000 00
Salaries of draftsmen, bookkeepers, stenographers and messenger,	18,000 00	12,800 00	18,000 00	18,000 00
Payment of surveys,	4,000 00	3,278 01	10,000 00	6,000 00
Payment of labor,	85,000 00	66,540 52	250,000 00	*
Payment of examination of titles to lands purchased,	3,000 00	2,953 38	.....	.....
Payment of other expenses, necessary and incidental, etc.,	50,000 00	38,325 29	100,000 00	100,000 00
Payment of the annual fixed charge, for school purposes, on lands for forest reserves,	42,000 00	39,549 02	42,000 00	42,000 00
Payment of the annual fixed charge, for road purposes, on lands for forest reserves,	42,000 00	40,172 88	42,000 00	42,000 00
Purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State Forest Reserves,	40,000 00	24,915 75	600,000 00	*
Payment of all necessary expenses which may be incurred in the prevention and extinguishment of forest fires, and salaries of a clerk and stenographer, and postage,	45,000 00	25,872 36	185,000 00	185,000 00
Salaries and expenses of instructors, clerks, matrons, cooks, waitresses, light and heat, etc., at the State Forestry Academy,	20,000 00	15,813 83	25,000 00	25,000 00
Salaries and expenses to be incurred for district foresters in counties where no land is held for State Forest purposes,	8,500 00	5,471 12	15,000 00	10,000 00
Total,	$608,500 00	$490,010 48	$1,689,000 00	$829,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$710,500 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	608,500 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	1,080,500 00

*This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.

23—BOARD OF GAME COMMISSIONERS.

Salary of the Secretary,	$6,000 00	$4,750 00	.....	.....
1 Assistant Chief Game Protector,	4,000 00	2,333 34	.....	.....
1 Clerk, who shall be a bookkeeper,	3,000 00	2,375 00	.....	.....
1 Clerk, who shall be a bookkeeper,	2,800 00	2,069 88	.....	.....
1 Game Protector, traveling,	2,400 00	1,900 00	.....	.....
50 Game Protectors,	90,000 00	69,272 32	.....	.....
Traveling and necessary expenses, incidental office expenses, etc.,	100,000 00	70,481 66	.....	.....
Establishing additional game preserve maintenance, etc.,	95,000 00	71,576 80	.....	.....
Salary of Secretary of Chief Game Protector,	.....	.....	$9,000 00	$9,000 00
Salary of Assistant Chief Game Protector,	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salary of Chief Clerk and Bookkeeper,	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salary of Clerk, who shall be a stenographer and bookkeeper,	.....	.....	2,800 00	2,800 00
Salary of Field Superintendent,	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salary of Traveling Game Protector,	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salaries of Sixty (60) Game Protectors,	.....	.....	122,400 00	122,400 00
Traveling and necessary expenses, incidental office expenses, the establishing of additional game preserves, maintenance, the purchase of game, etc.,	.....	.....	220,000 00	220,000 00
Total,	$303,200 00	$224,759 00	$368,800 00	$368,800 00

Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	$65,600 00

24—GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD MEMORIAL COMMISSION.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
For ordinary and necessary repairs, correction or insertion of names on tablets, expenses of the Commission, printing and publication and revision of the 1914 Report, ...	$4,000 00	$1,455 82	.....	.....
Total, ...	$4,000 00	$1,455 82	.....	.....

25—STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Salary of the Commissioner of Health.....	$20,000 00	$15,833 37	$20,000 00	$20,000 00
Salaries of the Assistant to the Commissioner, Secretary, General Inspector, Auditor, Stenographer, Clerks and other general employes	33,800 00	26,672 24	61,060 00	61,060 00
Medical Division—				
Salary of the Chief Medical Inspector.....	8,600 00	6,333 37	8,000 00	8,000 00
1 Associate Chief Medical Inspector.....	7,000 00	5,395 78	7,000 00	7,000 00
1 Assistant Chief Medical Inspector.....	5,000 00	3,958 37	5,000 00	5,000 00
Chief Clerk	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,240 00	3,240 00
5 Stenographers	8,640 00	6,840 00	10,000 00	10,000 00
12 Clerks	17,280 00	13,680 00	20,160 00	20,160 00
Laboratories and Experimental Station—				
Salary of the Chief of the Laboratories.....	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Investigator	.....	.....	8,000 00	.....
1 Bacteriologist	4,560 00	3,610 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Bacteriologist	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
3 Pathologists	.....	.....	9,120 00	9,600 00
1 Serologist	.....	.....	2,160 00	2,400 00
(2) 1 Technical Assistant.....	5,280 00	4,180 00	1,680 00	1,680 00
2 Stenographers	3,120 00	2,470 00	4,000 00	4,000 00
3 Clerks	4,320 00	3,410 00	5,040 00	5,040 00
4 Laboratory Helpers	4,140 00	3,277 50	5,352 00	5,352 00
1 Janitor	.....	.....	1,680 00	1,680 00
Division of Distribution of Biological Products—				
Salary of the Chief of the Division.....	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Bookkeeper	1,920 00	1,520 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
1 Stenographer	3,360 00	2,660 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
1 Clerk	1,440 00	1,140 00	1,680 00	1,680 00
1 Clerk	.....	.....	1,680 00	1,680 00
Bureau of Vital Statistics—				
Salary of State Registrar	8,000 00	6,333 37	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of Chief Clerk	4,000 00	3,166 63	4,320 00	4,320 00
1 Classification Clerk	3,600 00	3,850 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Returns Clerk	3,240 00	2,565 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Search Clerk	2,400 00	1,900 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 General Clerk	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
2 Inspectors	.....	.....	5,760 00	5,760 00
8 Stenographers	12,480 00	9,880 00	.....	.....
3 Stenographers	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00
6 Clerks	8,640 00	6,840 00	10,080 00	10,080 00
9 Clerks on Morbidity and Marriage Statistics.....	10,080 00	7,980 00	15,120 00	15,120 00
5 Typists	.....	.....	8,400 00	8,400 00
Sanitary Engineering Division—				
Salary of the Chief Engineer	12,000 00	9,500 00	12,000 00	12,000 00
1 Assistant Engineer in charge of office work.....	5,000 00	3,958 38	.....	.....
1 First Asistant Engineer on Waterworks and Sewage.....	5,000 00	3,958 38	.....	.....
1 Assistant Engineer on Tests and Sewage Treatment.....	5,000 00	3,958 38	.....	.....
1 Assistant Engineer in charge of Design and Construction	7,000 00	5,541 62	.....	.....
2 Assistant Engineers on Maintenance of Water and Sewerage Treatment Plants.....	4,800 00	3,800 00	.....	.....
1 Asistant Engineer on Waterworks and Sewerage.....	4,000 00	3,166 63	.....	.....
5 Assistant Engineers	20,600 00	15,083 26	.....	.....
18 Assistant Engineers	.....	.....	75,400 00	75,400 00
4 Inspectors	.....	.....	11,200 00	11,200 00
1 Chief Field Inspector	5,000 00	3,958 38	5,000 00	5,000 00
10 Stenographers	16,800 00	13,300 00	20,000 00	20,000 00
1 Stenographer	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
8 Clerks	14,500 00	11,478 88	16,440 00	16,440 00
1 Clerk	.....	.....	1,680 00	1,680 00
1 Nuisance Officer	.....	.....	4,320 00	4,320 00
(6) 5 Draftsmen and Map Tracers	11,000 00	10,450 11	11,112 00	11,112 00
Division of Accounting and Purchasing—				
Salary of the Chief of the Division	8,000 00	6,333 38	8,000 00	8,000 00
1 Head Bookkeeper	.....	.....	5,400 00	5,400 00
(4) 3 Asistant Bookkeepers	10,400 00	8,233 38	6,720 00	6,720 00
2 Asistant Purchasing Agents	.....	.....	6,400 00	6,400 00
1 Chief Clerk	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
16 Clerks	25,440 00	20,140 00	26,160 00	26,160 00

25—STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
2 Clerks	.....	.....	3,840 00	3,840 00
4 Stenographers	6,720 00	5,320 00	8,000 00	8,000 00
2 Stenographers	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
Division of Supplies—				
Salary of the Superintendent	4,500 00	3,562 50	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Stenographer	1,800 00	1,425 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
3 Clerks	4,320 00	3,420 00	5,040 00	5,040 00
1 Janitor	1,560 00	1,235 00	1,680 00	1,680 00
Dispensaries—				
Salary of the Chief of the Division	7,500 00	5,937 50	8,000 00	8,000 00
1 Lecturer and Manager of the Tuberculosis Exhibit	6,500 00	5,145 76	.....	.....
1 Deputy Medical Inspector	5,000 00	3,958 38	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Visiting Nurse	3,600 00	2,775 00	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Assistant Visiting Nurse	2,400 00	1,900 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Statistician	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
3 Stenographers	5,040 00	3,990 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
3 Clerks	4,320 00	3,420 00	5,040 00	5,040 00
Bureau of Housing—				
Chief of Bureau	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Assistant Chief	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Stenographer	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
1 Clerk	.....	.....	1,680 00	1,680 00
Division of Public Service—				
Chief of Division	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Assistant Chief	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Stenographer	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
1 Clerk	.....	.....	1,680 00	1,680 00
Salaries of officers and employes of the Bureau of Housing also operation of the Bureau	14,000 00	6,123 81	.....	.....
General Fund and diphtheria antitoxin, expenses of the commisioner and his assistants, etc.	920,000 00	771,224 47	1,250,760 00	1,250,760 00
For the maintenance of Tuberculosis Sanatoria and Dispensaries	2,725,807 00	1,958,652 44	3,484,180 00	3,360,680 00
Medical Inspection of Schools—				
Inspection of the pupils of the public schools	190,000 00	125,953 14	235,000 00	235,000 00
Total	4,252,907 00	3,181,574 41	5,543,064 00	5,412,284 00

Total amount apropriated by Legislature in 1915	$4,637,387 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	4,252,907 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915	1,290,695 00

26—HEALTH OFFICER, PHILADELPHIA.

Salary of the Health Officer,	$10,000 00	$7,916 66	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
1 Clerk,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Payment of the rent and the care of the office, telephone and messenger and stationery,	1,800 00	1,395 00	1,850 00	1,850 00
Total,	$14,200 00	$11,211 66	$14,250 00	$14,250 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$15,040 00

27—STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Salary of the State Highway Commissioner,	$16,000 00	$11,247 31	$16,000 00	$16,000 00
Salary of the First Deputy State Highway Commissioner,	12,000 00	9,500 00	12,000 00	12,000 00
Salary of the Second Deputy State Highway Commissioner,	12,000 00	9,500 00	12,000 00	12,000 00
Salary of the Auditor,	6,000 00	4,750 00	8,000 00	6,000 00
Salary of Chief Engineer and other necessary employees,	350,000 00	274,051 92	400,000 00	352,000 00
Payment of the necesary traveling and other incidental expenses of Commissioners, Engineers, Superintendents, Paymasters, etc.,	110,000 00	105,763 63	150,000 00	*
Payment of contingent and incidental expenses,	50,000 00	42,091 01	60,000 00	50,000 00
Salaries and other necessary expenses of the Automobile Division,	180,000 00	151,310 13	275,000 00	*
Maintenance, equipment salaries and expenses of Physical and Chemical Laboratory,	30,000 00	16,358 43	25,000 00	*
For the purpose of continuing the surveying and plotting of county and township roads and making and publishing of maps thereof,	40,000 00	26,550 83	40,000 00	40,000 00
Salaries and expenses of additional engineers, engineers' assistants, etc., in the Bureau of Township Highways,	55,000 00	41,297 56	91,000 00	*

27—STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
For maintenance and improvement of State Highways, Act of May 31, 1911,	6,000,000 00	5,641,622 20	*	.....
For payment of the expenses, costs, and awards, in the purchase of turnpikes, Act of May 31, 1911,	250,000 00	105,246 90	500,000 00	.....
For payment of the Commonwealth's share in the expense of constructing and maintaining State-aid Highways, Act of May 31, 1911,	500,000 00	133,792 67	3,000,000 00	*
For the rebuilding, repair and maintenance of the National or Cumberland road,	50,000 00	50,000 00	.....	.....
For construction of State Highway Routes, in Boroughs on 50-50 basis. This money to be used only in building unimproved sections in boroughs where State Highway Route is improved up to each end of the borough. The money to be allotted to the various counties on a mileage basis. Final decision as to the expenditure to be left to the Highway Commissioner. Any unexpended balance in each county to be available for use on Routes outside of boroughs in said county,	.....	.....	2,000,000 00	*
For construction of State Highway Routes,	.....	.....	12,000,000 00	*
For the payment of Township Road Bonus Deficiency for the years 1912, 1913 and 1914,	.....	.....	1,350,000 00	1,350,000 00
For maintenance and repairs of State Highway Routes, Act of May 31, 1911, and supplements and amendments thereto,			Fees from registration of motor vehicles from January 1, 1917.	
Total,	$7,661,000 00	$6,623,082 59	$19,939,000 00	$1,838,000 00

*This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$8,002,792 67
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	7,794,792 67
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	12,144,207 33

28—INTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Secretary of Internal Affairs,	$16,000 00	$12,666 70	$16,000 00	$16,000 00
Salary of Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs,	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salary of clerk to the Board of Public Property, *..	400 00	316 70	400 00	400 00
Salary of Chief of the Bureau of Standards,	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salaries of other officials, clerks and employees,	77,200 00	60,647 83	77,200 00	79,000 00
Contingent expenses,	3,500 00	1,810 66	3,500 00	6,000 00
Payment of services rendered and expenses incurred in collection of tax statistics, etc.,	10,000 00	8,070 00	10,000 00	10,000 00
Payment of necessary services and expenses incurred in the investigation of complaints against corporations, etc.,	3,000 00	1,133 89	3,000 00	2,500 00
Temporary employment of draftsmen in copying surveys, etc.,	25,000 00	20,871 97	25,000 00	25,000 00
Expenses incident to the investigation and surveying of vacant or unappropriated land,	1,000 00	434 59	1,000 00	.....
Payment of postage, express charges and other incidental charges and expenses,	2,000 00	1,245 33	2,000 00	.....
Payment of skilled draftsmen, surveyors and other assistants,	2,000 00	.....	2,000 00	.....
Inspection and repairs of the State boundary line monuments,	2,000 00	1,617 78	2,000 00	2,000 00
Payment of traveling and other contingent expenses of the Bureau of Standards,	1,000 00	112 32	1,000 00	.....
For additional equipment of the Bureau of Standards,	500 00	310 55	500 00	.....
Total,	$155,600 00	$118,738 32	$155,600 00	$152,900 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$165,800 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	155,600 00

29—INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Insurance Commissioner,	$15,000 00	$11,875 00	$15,000 00	$15,000 00
Salary of Deputy Insurance Commissioner,	8,000 00	5,377 16	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of Actuary,	10,000 00	7,916 66	10,000 00	10,000 00
Salaries of the examiner-in-chief and three assistant examiners, one examiner of statements, and four examiners,	42,000 00	27,449 98	65,000 00	65,000 00
Salaries of two inspectors,	8,000 00	6,333 32	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salaries of clerk hire, including messenger,	78,000 00	53,991 50	85,000 00	85,000 00
Contingent expenses, and for traveling and contingent expenses of actuary, examiners and inspectors,	30,000 00	14,790 83	30,000 00	25,000 00
Total,	$191,000 00	$127,734 45	$221,000 00	$216,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$208,000 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	191,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	30,000 00

30—LABOR AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salary of Commissioner,	$16,000 00	$12,666 62	$16,000 00	$16,000 00
Salary of Chief Clerk,	7,000 00	5,541 62	7,000 00	7,000 00
2 Copying Clerks,	6,000 00	4,534 54	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Stenographer and typewriter,	3,000 00	2,189 52	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Stenographer and typewriter,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
3 Stenographers and typewriters,	5,400 00	4,275 00	5,400 00	5,400 00
1 Messenger,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Filing Clerk,	3,000 00	2,250 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Auditor	4,000 00	3,166 62	4,000 00	4,000 00
Additional Services Now Employed—				
1 Storekeeper,	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Multigraph Operator,	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
3 Multigraph, Addressographe and Mimeograph Operators,	.....	.....	4,200 00	4,200 00
10 Stenographers, Typewriters and Clerks,	.....	.....	20,000 00	20,000 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
2 Bookkeepers,	.....	.....	2,400 00	.....
2 Stenographers and Typewriters,	.....	.....	3,600 00	.....
Bureau of Inspection—				
1 Chief Inspector,	10,000 00	7,916 62	10,000 00	10,000 00
1 Skilled Stenographer and Inspector,	4,000 00	3,166 63	4,000 00	4,000 00
1 Stenographer and Typewriter,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
100 Inspectors, 1st Grade,	280,000 00	206,585 65	300,000 00	300,000 00
4 Inspectors, 2nd Grade,	20,000 00	15,322 08	20,000 00	20,000 00
4 Inspectors, who shall be skilled stenographers and typewriters,	11,000 00	8,091 29	12,000 00	12,000 00
New Legislation—				
Division of Building Inspection,	.....	.....	100,000 00	.....
Additional Services now Employed—				
6 Stenographers and Clerks,	.....	.....	10,800 00	10,800 00
3 Stenographers and Clerks in branch offices,	.....	.....	5,500 00	5,500 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
2 Additional Supervising Inspectors,	.....	.....	12,000 00	6,000 00
2 Additional Clerks to Supervisors,	.....	.....	6,000 00	3,000 00
Increase of salaries of 50 Inspectors, 1st Grade,	.....	.....	50,000 00	.....
Innerease of salaries of 4 Supervising Inspectors,	.....	.....	4,000 00	.....
1 Supervisor of Boiler Inspection,	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Supervisor of Elevator Inspection,	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Special Elevator Inspector,	.....	.....	3,600 00	.....
1 Supervisor of Accident Prevention,	.....	.....	5,000 00	.....
1 Supervisor of Compensation Inspection,	.....	.....	5,000 00	.....
3 Checkers and Clerks,	.....	.....	9,000 00	9,000 00
4 Clerks,	.....	.....	7,200 00	7,200 00
5 Stenographers and Typewriters,	.....	.....	9,000 00	9,000 00
2 Inspectors of vessels engaged in navigation on inland lakes,	.....	.....	4,800 00	.....
Division of Hygiene and Engineering—				
2 Inspectors, 3rd Grade,	10,000 00	7,916 48	10,000 00	10,000 00
1 Clerk who shall be a stenographer and typewriter,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
2 Draftsmen and assistant engineers,	6,000 00	4,318 96	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Chief Medical Inspector,	10,000 00	7,281 58	10,000 00	10,000 00
3 Inspectors, 4th Grade,	18,000 00	13,181 45	18,000 00	18,000 00
1 Stenographer and typewriter,	1,800 00	1,425 00	1,800 00	1,800 00
Additional Services now Employed—				
2 Stenographers,	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
2 Assistant Engineers,	.....	.....	6,000 00	3,000 00
1 Laboratory Assistant,	.....	.....	3,000 00	.....
1 Stenographer,	.....	.....	1,800 00	1,800 00
Bureau of Statistics and Information—				
1 Chief of Bureau,	10,000 00	7,499 89	10,000 00	10,000 00
1 Assistant Chief of Bureau,	5,000 00	3,958 24	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Statistician,	4,000 00	3,166 62	4,000 00	4,000 00
3 Collectors of Statistics,	9,000 00	7,125 00	9,000 00	9,000 00
1 Filing Clerk,	3,000 00	2,468 10	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Copying Clerk,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
4 Additional Clerks,	11,200 00	8,710 15	11,200 00	11,200 00
1 Editor of Publication,	3,200 00	2,133 38	3,200 00	3,200 00
1 Expert Tabulating Machine Operator,	2,800 00	2,216 62	2,800 00	2,800 00
2 Machine Operators,	4,800 00	3,737 26	4,800 00	4,800 00
1 Skilled Stenographer and Typewriter,	3,000 00	2,205 65	3,000 00	3,000 00
Additional Services now Empolyed—				
2 Tabulating Machine Operators,	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
3 Stenographers and Typewriters,	.....	.....	5,760 00	5,760 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
12 Stenographers, Clerks and Machine Operators,	.....	.....	24,000 00	16,000 00
Bureau of Mediation and Arbitration—				
1 Chief of the Bureau,	7,000 00	5,541 62	7,000 00	7,000 00
1 Secretary, who shall be an expert stenographer,	4,000 00	1,435 40	4,000 00	4,000 00

30—LABOR AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
New Legislation—				
Increase in salary of Chief of Bureau,	.....	.....	3,000 00	.....
1 Assistant Chief,	.....	.....	8,000 00	.....
3 Mediators,	.....	.....	18,000 00	.....
1 Filing Clerk,	.....	.....	3,000 00	.....
1 Stenographer,	.....	.....	3,000 00	.....
Additional Services now Employed—				
The heavy calls to this bureau for service have been inadequately attended to by temporary special assignments from other divisions.				
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
See items under "New Legislation."				
Legal Division—				
1 Attorney and Legal Adviser,	6,000 00	3,791 53	6,000 00	6,000 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
1 Stenographer,	.....	.....	1,800 00	.....
Industrial Board—				
4 Members of Industrial Board at $10 per day and such stenographic and other expenses,	12,000 00	7,710 31	12,000 00	12,000 00
1 Secretary to the Board,	8,000 00	3,000 00	8,000 00	8,000 00
Additional Services now Employed—				
4 Stenographers,	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
Enlarged fund in order that the Members of the Board may be employed continuously,	.....	.....	12,000 00	6,000 00
1 Stenographer,	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
Employment Bureau—				
Salaries and necessary expenses in establishing employment bureaus,	30,000 00	20,807 57	30,000 00	*
New Legislation—				
Division of Americanization, and for protection of employes, present legislation,	.....	.....	60,000 00	.....
Additional Services now Employed—				
3 Investigators and Clerks,	.....	.....	8,400 00	.....
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
For salaries of the State system of employment offices,	.....	.....	36,600 00	30,000 00
For State aid to local employment agencies operated by local municipalities, in accord with the law, in co-operation with the Department of Labor and Industry,	.....	.....	200,000 00	**
*This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.				
**This appropriation is contingent upon the enactment of pending legislation.				
Division of Municipal Statistics—				
1 Municipal Statistician,	4,000 00	2,919 25	4,000 00	4,000 00
1 Stenographer and Typewriter,	2,400 00	1,720 97	2,400 00	2,400 00
Additional Services now Employed—				
1 Librarian,	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
1 Stenographer and Clerk,	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
3 Planning Engineers,	.....	.....	18,000 00	12,000 00
Bureau of Workmen's Compensation—				
Salaries of the Members of the Board and other employes,	200,633 32	129,667 44	200,633 32	200,633 32
New Legislation—				
Increase in salaries of Referees,	.....	.....	20,000 00	.....
Additional Services now Employed—				
45 Stenographers, Clerks and Typewriters,	.....	.....	60,000 00	60,000 00
Additional Services Required for the Next Two Years—				
25 Clerks, Stenographers, etc.,	.....	.....	50,000 00	30,000 00
Incidental and traveling expenses, and incidental contingent expenses,	80,000 00	46,543 73	See General Contingent Fund below.	.....

30—LABOR AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.		Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
General Expense Fund—					
Incidental and traveling expenses, and for incidental contingent expenses of the commissioner, inspectors, and all other employes and officers of the Departments, etc., ...		100,000 00	63,052 49	See General Contingent Fund below.	.....
Compensation Bureau, ...	$150,000 00				
Inspection Bureau, ...	100,000 00				
Bureau of Mediation and Arbitration, ...	25,000 00				
Employment Bureau, ...	50,000 00				
Division of Hygiene and Engineering, ...	20,000 00				
Bureau of Statistics and Information, ...	15,000 00				
Bureau of Municipal Statistics, ...	15,000 00				
Executive Division, ...	10,000 00				
Industrial Board, ...	10,000 00				
Total, ...	$395,000 00	.....	.....	395,000 00	321,800 00
Total, ...		$938,433 32	$649,693 88	$2,012,293 32	$1,343,893 32
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, ...	$1,033,933 32				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ...	958,433 32				
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915, ...	1,053,860 00				

31—LAKE ERIE AND OHIO RIVER CANAL BOARD.

Balance remaining unexpended of appropriation made in 1913, ...	$18,515,55	$18,515 55	$25,000 00	*
Expenses incurred by the board in completing surveys and estimates of cost and incidental and traveling expenses, etc., ...	25,000 00	17,282 46	.....	.....
Total, ...	$43,515 55	$35,798 01	$25,000 00	.....

* This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.

32—LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S DEPARTMENT.

Salary of the Lieutenant Governor, ...	$10,000 00	$7,916 54	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Postage, express charges, etc., of the Lieutenant Governor,..	1,000 00	213 20	1,000 00	1,000 00
Salary of the clerk to the President of the Senate, ...	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salary of the stenographer to the President of the Senate,..	2,000 00	1,583 31	2,000 00	2,000 00
Total, ...	$16,000 00	$12,088 05	$16,000 00	$16,000 00

33—LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU.

Salary of Director, ...	$10,000 00	$7,916 70	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Salary of Assistant Director, ...	8,000 00	6,333 35	8,000 00	8,000 00
Salary of reference division stenographer, ...	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of assistant stenographer.	2,000 00	1,583 35	2,000 00	2,000 00
Salary of search clerk, ...	4,000 00	3,166 70	4,000 00	4,000 00
Salary of cataloguer	2,000 00	1,583 35	2,000 00	2,000 00
Salary of messenger, ...	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Maintenance and incidental expenses and emergency clerical help, ...	5,000 00	3,679 68	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salaries of search clerks, stenographers and record clerks, one month prior, during and after session of 1917, ...	6,000 00	140 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
To prepare compilations or codes by topics of existing general laws, in addition to balance unexpended from the sum appropriated by said Act of 1913, ...	10,000 00	7,695 00	16,000 00	16,000 00
Total, ...	$51,800 00	$35,898 13	$57,800 00	$57,800 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, ...	$58,800 00			
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ...	51,800 00			
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915, ...	6,000 00			

34—MEADE MEMORIAL COMMISSION.

Statue or Memorial of General George Gordon Meade, ...	$50,000 00	None expended	.....	.....
Total, ...	$50,000 00	.....	.....	.....

35—MINING DEPARMENT.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salary of the Chief of the Department of Mines,	$10,000 00	$7,916 66	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Salary of the Deputy Chief of the Department of Mines,	7,000 00	5,541 66	7,000 00	7,000 00
Salary of Chief Clerk,	4,800 00	3,800 00	4,800 00	4,800 00
Salaries of the clerks, stenographers and typewriters and messenger,	24,000 00	19,000 00	24,000 00	24,000 00
Contingent expenses, including traveling expenses of the Chief and Deputy Chief, books, instruments, etc.,	8,000 00	6,887 08	10,000 00	10,000 00
Salaries of inspectors of coal mines,	323,000 00			
Increase in the salaries of mine inspectors,	20,000 00	241,292 33	385,000 00	385,000 00
Salaries of inspectors of coal mines, appointed temporarily as substitutes,	1,000 00	909 95	4,000 00	1,000 00
Payment of actual traveling expenses of inspectors, and for their office rent, stationery, postage, etc.,	68,000 00	52,454 59	74,000 00	70,000 00
Payment of the compensation and expenses attending the examination of candidates for inspectors, etc.,	40,000 00	15,822 75	40,000 00	225,000 00
Payment of counsel fees,	2,000 00	1,578 26	2,000 00	2,000 00
Payment of expert electrical services,	1,000 00	653 55	1,000 00	1,000 00
Total,	$508,800 00	$355,856 83	$563,800 00	$539,800 00
Payment of mine commissions,	.....	.....	$2,000 00	None.
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$625,800 00			
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	508,800 00			
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	55,000 00			

36—STATE BOARD OF CENSORS OF MOTION PICTURES.

Salaries of the three members of the Board,	$15,800 00	$12,508 27	$15,800 00	$15,800 00
Salaries of assistant clerks and employes,	49,120 00	35,832 38	49,120 00	49,120 00
Contingent, traveling and incidental expenses, etc.,	8,000 00	7,307 82	15,000 00	20,000 00
Salaries, when necessary, of additional clerks and employes,	8,000 00	6,077 52	8,000 00	8,000 00
Total,	$80,920 00	$61,725 99	$87,920 00	$92,920 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$84,920 00			
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	80,920 00			
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	7,000 00			

37—NAVIGATION COMMISSIONERS FOR RIVER DELAWARE.

Salaries of secretary, statistician, port captain, official expenses of the Commission and incidentals,	$60,000 00	$45,341 54	$63,000 00	$63,000 00
Total,	$60,000 00	$45,341 54	$63,000 00	$63,000 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$63,000 00			
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	60,000 00			
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	3,000 00			

38—PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION.

Payment of expenses of the Commission,	$12,500 00	.....	$15,000 00	$15,000 00
Total,	$12,500 00	.....	$15,000 00	$15,000 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$15,000 00			
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	12,500 00			
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	2,500 00			

39—PUBLIC GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT.

Salary of the Superintendent.	$10,000 00	$7,916 62	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Salary of Deputy Superintendent,	5,000 00	3,958 31	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salary of one clerk,	3,600 00	2,850 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salary of bookkeeper,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salary of a draftsman,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00

39—PUBLIC GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1916, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salary of schedule clerk,	2,800 00	2,216 62	2,800 00	2,800 00
Salary of two stenographers,	4,800 00	3,700 00	4,800 00	4,800 00
Salary of storekeeper,	4,000 00	3,166 62	4,000 00	4,000 00
Salary of (additional) assistant storekeeper	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of assistant storekeeper	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salaries of chief and assistant engineers of the power plant, and all other employes required in conducting, cleaning, and making repairs,	270,880 00	228,753 71	295,880 00	295,880 00
Payment of premiums on insurance upon the State Capitol also upon all other State property, etc.,	8,000 00	3,306 89	8,000 00	7,000 00
Purchase of any article of furniture, furnishings, stationery, supplies, fuel, etc.,	110,000 00	98,521 28	165,000 00	150,000 00
Payment by the Superintendent for any emergency supplies, and all temporary help for care maintenance	30,000 00	27,000 00	50,000 00	40,000 00
Payment of cost of advertising of the annual schedule of supplies,	8,000 00	2,932 10	8,000 00	8,000 00
Payment of cost of electric current, gas and steam for light heat and power for public buildings where not supplied from the Capitol power plant	9,000 00	8,951 17	20,000 00	18,000 00
Payment to the City of Harrisburg for water	12,000 00	6,516 73	12,000 00	12,000 00
Payment of rental charges for telephone service, telephone messages and telegrams,	70,000 00	56,642 12	95,000 00	95,000 00
Payment of cost of general supplies including stationery, supplies, furniture, etc.,	310,000 00	288,834 58	500,000 00	450,000 00
Payment of cost of procuring various bonds required by statute, to be given by State officials and employes.	15,000 00	6,959 15	15,000 00	12,000 00
Payment of cost of erecting highway bridges, under Acts of 1895 and 1903,	50,000 00	42,015 04	100,000 00	50,000 00
Payment for the rent of offices outside of the Capitol Building,	60,000 00	54,996 72	125,000 00	120,000 00
Appropriation for the completion of a new Main Building in the State Arsenal Grounds,	40,000 00	39,757 13	.....	.....
Salary of one stenographer,	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of five charmen,	.....	.....	7,200 00	7,200 00
Appropriation for installation of new freight elevator in new main building in the State Arsenal Grounds	.....	.....	8,000 00	8,000 00
Five police	.....	.....	10,200 00	10,200 00
Total,	$1,033,880 00	$897,544 79	$1,462,680 00	$1,326,680 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$1,167,880 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	1,033,880 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	418,600 00

40—PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING DEPARTMENT.

Salary of the Superintendent	$6,000 00	$4,750 00	$6,000 00	$6,000 00
Salary of the Chief Clerk	3,600 00	2,850 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salaries of clerks, stenographers and messenger	13,200 00	10,449 62	13,200 00	13,200 00
Payment of printing, binding, ruling, etc	400,000 00	399,980 14	600,000 00	600,000 00
Payment of paper, envelopes and other supplies	260,000 00	250,891 55	520,000 00	520,000 00
Payment of plates, cuts, electrotypes, dies and stamps	7,500 00	5,727 39	7,500 00	7,000 00
Contingent expenses	2,500 00	1,247 28	2,500 00	2,000 00
Advertising proposals for executing the State printing, supplying the Commonwealth with paper, etc.	3,000 00	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
Salaries of three proof-readers and three copy-holders for the Legislative Session of 1917	3,225 00	.....	3,225 00	3,225 00
Printing Legislative Journal	.....	.....	50,000 00	50,000 00
Total	$699,025 00	$675,895 98	$1,209,025 00	$1,208,025 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915	$741,025 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915	699,025 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915	510,000 00

41—THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Salaries of seven commisioners	$141,000 00	$102,047 07	.....	.....
Salary of Secretary	10,000 00	7,916 67	.....	.....
Salary of Counsel	15,000 00	8,125 00	.....	.....
Salary of Asistant Counsel	10,000 00	7,500 00	.....	.....
Salary of Marshal	4,000 00	3,166 67	.....	.....
Salary of the Investigator of Accidents	10,000 00	7,916 67	.....	.....
Salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Engineering	12,000 00	9,500 00	.....	.....
Salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Rates and Tariffs	10,000 00	7,916 67	.....	.....

41—THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Accounts and Statistics	10,000 00	7,916 67	.....	.....
Traveling expenses, salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc...	326,320 00	222,626 32	.....	.....
Detail of Estimate—				
Commissioners—				
1 Chairman @ $10,500 per annum	.....	.....	$21,000 00	$21,000 00
6 Commisioners @ $10,000 per annum	.....	.....	120,000 00	120,000 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$141,000 00	$141,000 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
			$145,000 00	$145,000 00
Counsel—				
1 Counsel @ $7,500 per annum	.....	.....	$15,000 00	$15,000 00
1 Assitant Counsel @ $5,000 per annum	.....	.....	10,000 00	10,000 00
1 Law Clerk @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Stenographer @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Stenographer @ $1,050 per annum	.....	.....	2,100 00	2,100 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$32,500 00	$32,500 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	1,500 00	1,500 00
Miscellaneous expenses	.....	.....	1,500 00	1,500 00
			$35,500 00	$35,500 00
Secretary's Department—				
1 Secretary @ $5,000 per annum	.....	.....	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
1 Assistant to Secretary @ $3,000 per annum	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Chief Clerk @ $2,500 per annum	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Clerk @ $2,100 per annum	.....	.....	4,200 00	4,200 00
1 Clerk @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Clerk @ $1,600 per annum	.....	.....	3,200 00	3,200 00
1 Reporter @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Clerk @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Clerk @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Messenger @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Messenger @ $480 per annum	.....	.....	960 00	960 00
2 Stenographers @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
7 Stenographers @ $1,050 per annum	.....	.....	14,700 00	14,700 00
3 Stenographers @ $900 per annum	.....	.....	5,400 00	5,400 00
3 Stenographers @ $780 per annum	.....	.....	4680 00	4,680 00
2 Clerks @ $1,050 per annum	.....	.....	4,200 00	4,200 00
2 Clerks @ $900 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
6 Clerks @ $780 per annum	.....	.....	9,360 00	9,360 00
1 Janitor @ $900 per annum	.....	.....	1,800 00	1,800 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$92,900 00	$92,900 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
Miscellaneous expenses	.....	.....	11,500 00	11,500 00
Official and other Stenographic Reporters	.....	.....	30,000 00	30,000 00
			$138,400 00	$138,400 00
Bureau of Public Convenience—				
1 Chief of Bureau @ $3,000 per annum	.....	.....	$6,000 00	$6,000 00
1 Clerk @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
2 Stenographers @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
2 Stenographers @ $1,050 per annum	.....	.....	4,200 00	4,200 00
			$18,600 00	$18,600 00
Marshal—				
1 Marshal @ $2,000 per annum	.....	.....	$4,000 00	$4,000 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	1,200 00	1,200 00
			$5,200 00	$5,200 00
Examiners—				
1 Examiner @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	$3,600 00	$3,600 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	1,000 00	1,000 00
			$4,600 00	$4,600 00
Bureau of Accidents—				
1 Investigator of Accidents @ $5,000 per annum	.....	.....	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
1 Accident Clerk @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Assistant Clerk @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Clerk @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
2 Aditional Clerks @ $1,000 per annum	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
2 Inspectors @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00

41—THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
1 Expert Stenographer @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Janitress @ $250 per annum	.....	.....	500 00	500 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$32,500 00	$32,500 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
			$36,500 00	$36,500 00
Bureau of Rates and Tariffs—				
1 Chief of Bureau @ $5,000 per annum	.....	.....	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
1 Assitant Chief @ $2,500 per annum	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Chief Clerk @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Examiner (Electric) @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Examiner (Miscellaneous) @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Examiner (Railroad) @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Examiner (Assistant Railroad) @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Examiner (Water) @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Inspector @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
3 Stenographer-Clerks @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	7,200 00	7,200 00
3 Stenographers @ $1,000 per annum	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Janitor @ $900 per annum	.....	.....	1,800 00	1,800 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$52,800 00	$52,800 00
Traveling Expenses—				
Chief of Bureau	.....	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00
Inspectors	.....	.....	2,500 00	2,500 00
Postage	.....	.....	500 00	500 00
Miscellaneous expenses	.....	.....	100 00	100 00
			$57,900 00	$57,900 00
Bureau of Engineering—				
(Office Section)				
1 Chief of Bureau @ $6,000 per annum	.....	.....	$12,000 00	$12,000 00
1 Assistant Chief of Bureau @ $4,500 per annum	.....	.....	9,000 00	9,000 00
1 Chief Clerk @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
1 Assitsant Clerk @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Draftsman @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Chief Stenographer Z $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
2 Stenographers @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
			$39,000 00	$39,000 00
Service and Facilities and Valuation Section—				
1 Assistant Engineer @ $4,000 per annum	.....	.....	$8,000 00	$8,000 00
1 Assistant Engineer @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Electric Railway Engineer @ $3,500 per annum	.....	.....	7,000 00	7,000 00
1 Railroad Engineer @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
5 Assistant Engineers @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	24,000 00	24,000 00
1 Telephone Engineer @ $3,500 per annum	.....	.....	7,000 00	7,000 00
1 Electrical Engineer @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
1 Water Works Engineer @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
1 Assistant Engineer @ $3,500 per annum	.....	.....	7,000 00	7,000 00
1 Valuation Engineer @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
2 Technical Assistants @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00
2 Stenographers @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
3 Stenographers @ $1,080 per annum	.....	.....	6,480 00	6,480 00
2 Stenographers @ $840 per anum	.....	.....	3,360 00	3,360 00
	.....	.....	$96,440 00	$96,440 00
Laboratory Section—				
1 Electric Standards Tester @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	$4,800 00	$4,800 00
1 Water Standards Tester @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Gas Standards Tester @ $2,000 per annum	.....	.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
1 Electric Lamp Tester @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Electric Meter Inspector @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Gas Meter Inspector @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Meter Prover Tester @ $2,400 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
1 Laboratory Assistant @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Laboratory Assistant @ $1,050 per annum	.....	.....	2,100 00	2,100 00
1 Stenographer @ $840 per anum	.....	.....	1,680 00	1,680 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$34,180 00	$34,180 00
			$169,620 00	$169,620 00
Expert Service	.....	.....	10,000 00	10,000 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	46,490 00	46,490 00
Miscellaneous expenses	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
			$231,110 00	$231,110 00

Bureau of Accounts and Statistics—
(Administration Division)
For administration, correspondence, record keeping, review of applications, and making of special reports to the commission.

41—THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
1 Chief of Bureau @ $5,000 per annum	.....	.....	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
1 Chief Clerk @ $2,500 per annum	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Clerk @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Clerk @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Stenographer-Clerk @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Clerk @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 File Clerk @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	2,400 00	2,400 00
1 Asistant Clerk of Files @ $900 per annum	.....	.....	1,800 00	1,800 00
3 Stenographer-Clerks @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	7,200 00	7,200 00
3 Stenographer-Clerks @ $1,050 per annum	.....	.....	6,300 00	6,300 00
9 Stenographers @ $900 per annum	.....	.....	16,200 00	16,200 00
1 Janitor @ 720 per annum (one-half salary)	.....	.....	720 00	720 00
1 Messenger @ $540 per annum	.....	.....	1,080 00	1,080 00
Total Salaries	.....	.....	$62,700 00	$62,700 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
Miscellaneous expenses	.....	.....	6,200 00	6,200 00
Total Administration Division	.....	.....	$73,900 00	$73,900 00
For development and administration of uniform classifications of accounts, and uniform reports and compilation of statistics.				
1 Accountant and Statistician @ $3,500 per annum	.....	.....	$7,000 00	$7,000 00
Accounting and System Research—				
1 Accountant @ $2,500 per annum	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
3 Asistants @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	10,800 00	10,800 00
Audit and Compilation of Accounting and Statistical Reports of:				
Steam Railway Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
2 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
Street Railway Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
2 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
Gas Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
2 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
Electric Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
3 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	7,200 00	7,200 00
Telephone Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
2 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	4,800 00	4,800 00
Water Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
4 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	9,600 00	9,600 00
Other Utilities—				
1 Accountant @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	3,600 00	3,600 00
1 Statistician @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
3 Assistants @ $1,200 per annum	.....	.....	7,200 00	7,200 00
Total	.....	.....	$112,200 00	$112,200 00
Traveling expenses:				
Research to develop the experience and practice of representative commissions of other states in administration of uniform classifications of accounts, accounting forms and reports $1,500 00				
Conference with utility companies in Pennsylvania for consideration of uniform classification of acounts, and accounting forms to be prescribed 2,500 00				
Co-operation with utility companies in Pennsylvania in establishing uniform clasification of accounts, and accountings forms to be prescribed 3,450 00	.....	.....	7,450 00	7,450 00
Total Division of Accounts, Reports and Statistics...	.....	.....	$119,650 00	$119,650 00

41—THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Division of Field Examinations—				
For examination of the books, records and accounts of public service companies in connection with determination of rate cases, applicants for certificates of public convenience, certificates of valuation, and certificates of notification of the proposed issue of stocks and bonds.				
1 Accountant @ $3,500 per annum	.....	.....	$7,000 00	$7,000 00
2 Accountants @ $3,500 per annum	.....	.....	12,000 00	12,000 00
1 Accountant @ $2,500 per annum	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00
3 Assistant Accountants @ $1,800 per annum	.....	.....	10,800 00	10,800 00
9 Assistant Accountants @ $1,500 per annum	.....	.....	27,000 00	27,000 00
Total	.....	.....	$61,800 00	$61,800 00
Traveling expenses	.....	.....	41,000 00	41,000 00
Total Division of Field Examinations	.....	.....	$102,800 00	$102,800 00
Total Bureau of Accounts and Statistics	.....	.....	296,350 00	296,350 00
Grand Total	.....	.....	$969,160 00	$969,160 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$588,320 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	648,320 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	420,840 00

42—PUBLIC INSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT.

Salary of Superintendent of Public Instruction,	$10,000 00	$7,916 62	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Salaries of Deputy Superintendents, clerks and messenger,	25,200 00	19,950 00	25,200 00	25,200 00
Extra clerical assistance necessary in the distribution of appropriation to the common schools,	1,000 00	500 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Contingent expenses,	5,000 00	3,644 17	6,000 00	6,000 00
Expenses of the State Normal Examiner,	6,000 00	4,900 00	5,500 00	5,500 00
Salaries of high school inspectors,	20,000 00	15,833 84	20,000 00	20,000 00
Traveling and other expenses of high school inspectors,	7,500 00	5,375 89	8,000 00	8,000 00
Expenses and services of examining boards for State permanent and special certificates,	5,000 00	3,189 86	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salaries of four stenographers and typewriters,	8,000 00	6,333 84	8,000 00	8,000 00
Payment of the cost of circulating the Penn'a. School Journal,	5,000 00	3,958 27	5,000 00	5,000 00
Support of the public and normal schools,	15,000,000 00	13,050,976 54	18,000,000 00	*
Total,	$15,092,700 00	$13,122,579 03	$18,093,700 00	$93,700 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$15,096,200 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	15,092,700 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	3,001,000 00

* This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.

43—PRISON LABOR COMMISSION.

Purchase of material, equipment and machinery to be used in penitentiaries, reformatory and other correctional institutions,	$75,000 00	$52,756 69	$150,000 00	*
Salaries of clerk hire, traveling and contingent expenses,	8,000 00	5,367 18	100,000 00	
Wages of inmates not employed in manufacturing articles for the Prison Labor Commission, but employed in administrative labor by the 3 Penal Institutions, viz: The Eastern State Penitentiary, The Western Penitentiary, and the Penna. Industrial Reformatory. (Under opinion of Deputy Atttorney General, Joseph L. Kun, dated February 16, 1916, this Commission is advised that all administrative labor shauld be paid the same as those engaged in manufacturing articles for the use of the Institutions. This Commission is about to act on this opinion if payment is made on this basis it will use up the balance of the Manufacturing Fund, viz: $22,243.31),	.....	.....	125,000 00	**
Total,	$83,000 00	$58,123 87	$375,000 00	.....

Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	$292,000 00

*This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.
**This appropriation is contingent upon the enactment of pending legislation.

44—STATE QUARANTINE BOARD.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1916, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
Salary of Quarantine Physician,	$10,000 00	$7,916 54	$10,000 00	$10,000 00
Salary of Senior Deputy Quarantine Physician,	4,000 00	3,166 54	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salary of the Junior Deputy Quarantine Physician,	4,000 00	3,166 54	6,000 00	6,000 00
1 Messenger,	2,000 00	1,583 27	2,000 00	2,000 00
8 Shore employees,	10,270 00	6,751 18	15,000 00	15,000 00
9 Employees on the Boat,	13,500 00	10,596 00	17,500 00	17,500 00
Payment of Insurance on the Boat and Launch,	900 00	436 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Maintenance of all employees, including uniforms and caps,	7,500 00	5,394 07	10,000 00	10,000 00
Maintenance of the boat, including fuel, etc.,	14,000 00	9,563 89	15,000 00	15,000 00
Purchase of drugs and supplies,	600 00	117 73	6,000 00	6,000 00
Coal for heating shore buildings,	2,000 00	1,170 89	5,000 00	5,000 00
Maintenance of office, including $1,000.00 for service of Maritime Exchange, etc.,	4,500 00	3,550 23	5,000 00	5,000 00
Maintenance of the Quarantine Station,	12,000 00	7,774 34	25,000 00	25,000 00
Total,	$85,270 00	$61,187 22	$123,500 00	$123,500 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$91,270 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	85,270 00
Increase of estimate for 1917 over amount approved in 1915,	38,230 00

45—BOARD OF REVENUE COMMISSIONERS DEPARTMENT.

Salaries of the three members of the Board,	$1,800 00	$1,425 00	$1,800 00	$1,800 00
Salary of the clerk,	2,000 00	1,583 33	2,000 00	2,000 00
Total,	$3,800 00	$3,008 33	$3.800 00	$3,800 00

46—COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND DEPARTMENT.

Salaries of the three Commissioners,	$1,800 00	$1,400 00	$1,800 00	$1,800 00
Salary of clerk,	2,000 00	1,583 30	2,000 00	2,000 00
Total,	$3,800 00	$2,983 30	$3,800 00	$3,800 00

47—STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Payment of necessary expenses of the Members of the Board, and salaries of clerks, stenographers, etc.,	$40,000 00	$22,312 74	$51,000 00	$50,000 00
Encouraging, promoting, organizing and maintaining Schools of Agricultural education, manual training, domestic science, etc.,	1,000,000 00	107,918 31	500,000 00	300,000 00
Part payment of the mortgage indebtedness now existing on the real estate of California State Normal School,	35,000 00	35,000 00	.....	.....
Payment of part of mortgage indebtedness now existing on the real estate of Lock Haven State Normal School,	20,000 00	20,000 00	.....	.....
Payment of part mortgage indebtedness now existing on the real estate of Edinboro State Normal School,	10,000 00	10,000 00	.....	.....
Purchase of State Normal Schools,	100,000 00	70,610 75	100,000 00	75,000 00
Liquidating the additional unsecured indebtedness of the Northwestern State Normal School, at Edinboro,	8,497 09	8,497 09	.....	.....
Education and care of blind children of indigent parents and under 8 years of age,	7,300 00	4,115 32	8,000 00	8,000 00
For the payment of mortgage indebtedness of ten (10) Normal Schools,	.....	.....	730,836 58	**

1 This item is increased for 1917-1919 because of the necessity of employing additional architects for supervising and preparing plans in accordance with Section 615, of the School Code which reads as follows:

"Section 615. After the organization of the State Board of Education provided for in this Act, no public school buildings shall be contracted for, constructed or reconstructed, in any school district of the second, third, or fourth class, until their plans and specifications have been submitted to the State Board of Education, and any recommendations concerning the same by the State Board of Education have been paid before the Board of School Directors," And Section 616 which reads as follows:

"Section 616. The State Board of Education shall cause to be prepared and shall, at the expense of the Commonwealth, publish and, upon application furnish without charge, to Boards of School Directors plans and specifications of different kinds of school buildings."

The volume of this business has increased from a building valuation of about three millions in 1914 to five and a half millions in 1916. Furthermore, the present force,

47—STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION—Continued.

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which now includes an assistant and three additional stenographers have only been in the service for a part of the period for which the last appropriation was made. The monthly expense, outside of the architects' fees, will exceed $1,500 for the coming years.				
2 This item ought to have added to it $325,000 which was transferred from this fund and paid out to the high schools. An additional $325,000.00, or so much of the million as may be available, will be paid at the end of the school year.				
3 On this item negotiations are in progress for the purchase of the Millersville, Shippensburg and Kutztown State Normal Schools which will exhaust this appropriation.				
4 An increase in the cost of maintenance will require a larger appropriation than that of the last Legislature.				
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, ... $1,260,297 09				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ... 1,220,797 09				
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915, ... 169,039 49				
Total, ...	$1,220,797 09	$278,454 21	$1,389,836 58	$433,000 00
**This appropriation is contingent upon the enactment of pending legislation.				

48—STATE DEPARTMENT.

Salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, ...	$16,000 00	$12,000 00	$16,000 00	$16,000 00
Salary of the Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, ...	6,000 00	4,750 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Salaries of clerk hire, including messenger and night watchman, ...	78,500 00	61,710 69	78,500 00	78,500 00
Postage, express charges and contingent expenses, ...	8,000 00	4,895 02	10,000 00	10,000 00
Payment of the expenses for the publication in the various newspapers of the State, of the several amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, ...	200,000 00	111,712 24	200,000,00	200,000 00
Preparation of a new corporation index, ...	3,000 00	2,250 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Granting Charters for Elevated and Passenger Railways, ...	1,500 00	1,125 00	1,500 00	1,500 00
Total, ...	$313,000 00	$198,442 95	$315,000 00	$315,000 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, ... $339,000 00				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ... 313,000 00				
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915, ... 2,000 00				

49—STATE LIBRARY.

Salary of State Librarian, ...	$9,000 00	$7,125 00	$9,000 00	$9,000 00
Salary of the First Assistant State Librarian, ...	5,000 00	3,958 31	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salary of the Second Assistant State Librarian, ...	4,000 00	3,166 62	4,000 00	4,000 00
Salary of clerk, ...	2,000 00	1,583 31	2,000 00	2,000 00
Salary of assistant in charge of Division of Public Records,	4,000 00	1,879 03	4,000 00	4,000 00
Salary of stenographer, ...	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salaries of two night assistants, ...	3,600 00	2,850 00	3,600 00	3,600 00
Salaries and necessary expenses, preservation of public records in the Division of Public Records, ...	14,800 00	9,856 00	16,800 00	16,800 00
Salary of messenger, ...	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salary of night watchman, ...	2,040 00	1,615 00	2,040 00	2,040 00
Payment of freight, expressage, potage, etc., ...	5,000 00	3,529 50	7,000 00	5,000 00
Salaries of four assistants, ...	4,800 00	3,800 00	4,800 00	4,800 00
Purchase of law books and exchanges, ...	5,000 00	3,709 24	6,000 00	6,000 00
Payment of annual subscription of newspapers, ...	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00
Purchase of miscellaneous books and illustrations, ...	12,000 00	10,204 95	14,000 00	12,000 00
Purchase of English Parliamentary Papers, ...	750 00	.....	750 00	750 00
Salaries and expenses of preparing a law catalogue, ...	4,800 00	3,841 52	4,800 00	4,800 00
Salaries and expenses preparing a catalogue system, etc., ..	7,600 00	6,016 62	7,600 00	7,600 00
Binding library books, periodicals, etc., ...	6,000 00	4,607 19	9,000 00	6,000 00
Total, ...	$96,390 00	$72,742 29	$106,390 00	$99,390 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915, ... $106,390 00				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915, ... 96,390 00				
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915, ... 10,000 00				

50—STATE MUSEUM.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
For the expenses of the State Museum and salaries of employes necessary,	$22,800 00	$18,184 00	$25,000 00	$25,000 00
Purchase of lantern slides,	2,500 00	1,560 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Total,	$25,300 00	$19,744 00	$28,000 00	$28,000 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$25,800 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	25,300 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	2,700 00

51—STATE POLICE.

Salary of the Superintendent,	$6,000 00	$4,750 00	$6,000 00	$6,000 00
Salary of the Deputy Superintendent,	5,000 00	3,958 27	5,000 00	5,000 00
1 Clerk,	3,000 00	2,375 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
1 Stenographer,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
4 Captains,	14,400 00	11,400 00	14,400 00	14,400 00
4 Lieutenants,	12,000 00	9,441 66	12,000 00	12,000 00
4 First Sergeants,	9,600 00	7,381 09	9,600 00	9,600 00
16 Sergeants,	35,200 00	27,221 13	35,200 00	35,200 00
16 Corporals,	30,400 00	23,712 29	30,400 00	30,400 00
4 Blacksmiths,	7,600 00	5,968 66	7,600 00	7,600 00
180 Privates,	324,000 00	244,609 42	324,000 00	324,000 00
Re-enlistment pay,	40,035 00	24,348 43	40,035 00	40,035 00
Payment of keep of horses, renewal of uniforms, horse equipment, replacing horses, etc.,	210,000 00	166,476 42	315,000 00	315,000 00
Total,	$699,635 00	$533,542 37	$804,635 00	$804,635 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$714,635 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	699,635 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	105,000 00

52—TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Salary of State Treasurer,	$16,000 00	$12,666 62	$16,000 00	$16,000 00
Salary of Cashier,	10,000 00	7,916 62	10,000 00	10,000 00
Salary of Assistant Cashier,	5,000 00	3,958 25	7,200 00	7,200 00
Salary of clerk hire, including messenger and three watchmen,	68,600 00	54,309 81	90,800 00	90,800 00
Contingent expenses,	2,500 00	1,500 00	2,500 00	10,500 00
Salaries for extra clerks, and for the payment of increases in salaries authorized by the 1915 session,	38,000 00	33,364 24	33,500 00	33,400 00
Patent indices, law books, and other books,	500 00	122 40	500 00	.....
Traveling expenses of the State Treasurer and employes,	1,000 00	28 46	500 00	.....
Postage, express charges and other incidental expenses,	3,500 00	3,500 00	6,000 00	.....
Payment of the cost of procuring bonds required to be given by employes of the Treasury Department,	1,500 00	720 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Payment of interest on the funded debt,	62,040 00	46,530 00	62,040 00	62,040 00
Compensation of the fiscal agent of the Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Philadelphia,	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Expenses of publishing the monthly statements of the general and sinking funds,	20,000 00	6,188 04	10,000 00	See Auditor General's Sheet.
Payment of the cost of painting the portrait of State Treasurer Robert K. Young,	500 00	.....	.....	.....
Total,	$230,140 00	$171,804 44	$241,040 00	$230,940 00

Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$248,640 00
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	230,140 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	10,800 00

53—COMMISSIONERS OF VALLEY FORGE PARK.

For future care, preservation and maintenance of land, painting fences, etc., necessary expenses of the employment of Supt., guards and workmen, and incidental expenses,	$40,000 00	$30,104 91	$50,000 00	$50,000 00
For purchase or condemnation of land,	75,000 00	29,795 22	100,000 00	100,000 00

53—COMMISSIONERS OF VALLEY FORGE PARK—Continued.

PURPOSE.		Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
For laying out and building, macadamizing, etc.,		23,650 00	23,635 47	70,000 00	70,000 00
Payment of incidental expenses of the Commision, that is, salary of clerk, rent and stationery,		1,000 00	857 61	2,100 00	2,100 00
Purchasing of trees, fertilizers, seeds, etc.,		2,500 00	1,301 33	2,500 00	2,500 00
Purchase of cannon, cannon carriages and markers,		2,500 00	2,491 50	2,500 00	2,500 00
Expenses necessary to appropriately dedicate Memorial Arch erected by the United States,		5,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Restoration of the forts and redoubts,		4,000 00	3,339 37	.....	.....
Total,		$153,650 00	$91,525 41	$227,100 00	$227,100 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$188,150 00				
Total amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	153,650 00				
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	73,450 00				

54—WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.

Salaries of the three Commissioners,	$18,000 00	$12,064 52	$18,000 00	$18,000 00
1 Engineer,	5,000 00	3,958 27	10,000 00	6,000 00
1 Stenographer,	2,400 00	1,900 00	2,400 00	2,400 00
Salaries and expenses of engineers, engineering assistants, experts and clerical assistance, etc.,	40,000 00	37,406 63	65,000 00	**50,000 00**
Salaries and expenses of engineers, etc., in making examinations and reports upon dams, etc.,	55,000 00	39,691 20	80,000 00	70,000 00
Salaries and expenses of the flood forecaster, gauge readers and clerical assistance,	5,000 00	4,250 00	5,000 00	5,000 00
Erection of a dam at the outlet of Pymatuning Swamp,	65,000 00	27,735 32	*Unexpended balance.	*Balance unexpended.

* The Commission suggests that you re-appropriate to it the unexpended balance remaining out of the appropriation made under the provisions of the Appropriation Act of June 18th, 1915, P. L. 196, and in addition thereto, such amount as in the judgment of the General Assembly should be made for the acquisition of lands and the construction of the reservoir.

Note—The Commission requests the General Assembly to make the increased appropriations suggested for the reason that the compensation now paid its technically trained employes is wholly inadequate and very much below that paid by other Departments of the State Government for rendering like services, and for the further reason that unless increased compensation is afforded these employes, in all probability it will lose the services of several of its most valuable engineers; in fact, three of the most competent among them have recently resigned their positions with the Commission to accept employment elsewhere at greatly increased compensation.

The responsibility of passing upon the design of all dams to be erected in this State, which requires careful analysis of each and study of the suitability and adaptability of foundation for the reception of dams; of examining dams during construction, and of seeing to it that they are properly maintained after construction, is imposed upon the Water Supply Commission. The best engineering services procurable should, therefore, be at the disposal of the Commission. To make this impossible is false economy, as the failure of one large dam would cost the Commonwealth more than would be necessary to maintain a properly manned and equipped Dam Division for half a century.

If there be any further information you desire concerning the work of this Commission, or any additional reasons showing why the increased appropriations asked for should be granted, please advise the Commission and the matter will have prompt attention.

Total,	$190,400 00	$127,005 94	$180,400 00	$150,400 00
Amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$1,700,400 00			
Amount approved by the Governor in 1915,	190,400 00			

55—WORKMEN'S INSURANCE FUND.

Expenses of the organization and administration of the said fund,	$300,000 00	$138,125 24	$350,000 00	$250,000 00
Compensation for injury to, or death of employes of the Commonwealth,	15,000 00	12,420 25	50,000 00	50,000 00
Total,	$315,000 00	$150,545 49	$400,000 00	$300,000 00
Increase of 1917 estimate over amount approved in 1915,	$85,000 00			

56—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACTS.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June, 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
For the balance due or to become due retired county officers on account of over-payment of mercantile and other taxes collected for the Commonwealth, the sum of three thousand dollars,	$3,000 00	.....	$3,000 00	$3,000 00
For the payment of the commission of such Military State Agents at Washington as have been or may be employed by the accounting officers under the Acts of Assembly of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, to collect the claims due the Commonwealth from the Government of the United States, for the two fiscal years commencing June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, subject to the approval of the Attorney General: Provided, however, that the amount shall not exceed the sum of ten per centum collected through such agent or agents and paid into the State Treasury,	{ 6,000 00 } { 5,000 00 }	.....	.....	.....
For the payment of military claims, in pursuance of the Act of April sixteenth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	2,000 00	.....	.....	.....
For the payment of the fees of the county officers, for furnishing information to the officers of the Commonwealth, in accordance with the Act of April fourteenth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws, twenty-two) two years, the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary,	3,000 00	963 80	3,000 00	3,000 00
For the payment of mileage of the appraisers of the mercantile and other license taxes of the several counties of the Commonwealth, two years, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.00),	{ 17,000 00 } { 15,000 00 }	13,713 93	15,000 00	15,000 00
For the payment of pensions and gratuities that have been granted by act of Legislature, or that may hereafter be granted, according to law, the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary; to be paid out of any funds of the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated,	12,000 00	4,048 54	12,000 00	12,000 00
For the payment of the various counties of the bonus paid to the State by foreign railroad corporations, for the right to pass through said counties, the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	20,000 00	10,000 00	20,000 00	20,000 00
For the payment of compensation and expenses of members of commissions theretofore appointed by the Governor to examine judges of any of the Supreme, Superior, common pleas, or orphans' courts of this Commonwealth, who by reason of physical or mental disability appear to be incapacitated from performing their judicial functions and duties, as provided by the Act of Assembly, approved the eleventh day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws, page one hundred and sixty-five) and for the two years ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	{ 1,000 00 } { 500 00 }	.....	500 00	500 00
For clerical and incidental expenses of the board created for the examination of letters patent relative to the granting of charters for underground and elevated passenger railway companies, the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500) for the two fiscal years ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen,	1,500 00	1,125 00	.....	.....
To Walter George Smith, Judge William H. Staake, and William M. Hargest, Esquire, commissioners on the part of Pennsylvania of the National Commission on Uniformity of Legislation, for the payment of expenses and incidentals already incurred and to be incurred during the two years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, as members of said commission, the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	2,000 00	1,751 88	2,000 00	2,000 00
For the purpose of refunding, under the provisions of the act of June fourteenth, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, page nine hundred and thirty-six) fees paid for commissions and notary public, when such commissions have not been issued, or, if issued, have not been recovered, and have been cancelled, two years, the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	1,000 00	125 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
For the payment of the cost of painting the portrait of Auditor General Powell, to be placed in the Auditor General's Department, in the State Capitol Building, the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	500 00	500 00	.....	.....
For the payment of expenses of registration of births and deaths in cities of the first and second class, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Assembly regulating such payments, the sum of fifteen thousand five hun-				

56—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACTS—Continued.

PURPOSE.	Appropriated June 1, 1915, to May 31, 1917.	Expended June 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916.	Estimated for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.	Recommended for June 1, 1917, to May 31, 1919.
dred dollars ($15,500) or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen,	{ 20,000 00 } { 15,500 00 }	13,693 03	22,500 00	22,500 00
For the payment of the cost of painting the portrait of Governor John K. Tener, to be placed in the Executive Department, in the State Capitol Building, the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	500 00	.....	.....	.....
*For the payment of the salaries of State employes who may be retired by resignation, as provided in Senate bill number two hundred and eighty-six, passed by the Legislature, but conditioned upon its approval by the Governor, the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen,	{ 10,000 00 } { 6,000 00 }	437 50	10,000 00	10,000 00
See page 1036, of Pamphlet Laws, concerning the Agricultural Exhibitions.				
To reimburse counties that have paid money to incorporated agricultural associations, under the provisions of the Act approved June 18, 1915, P. L. 1036,	{ 100,000 00 } { 50,000 00 }	.....	.....	.....
For the purpose of refunding collateral inheritance taxes paid in error, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) said funds being directed by Acts of Assembly of June twelfth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and March twenty-fifth, one thousand nine hundred and one,	10,000 00	7,496 84	30,000 00	*
For the care and treatment of persons committed to phychopathic wards of hospitals for observations, diagnosis, or treatment, in pursuance of the acts approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, and as amended by the Act of May first the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary,	{ 10,000 00 } { 148,000 00 }	.....	119,000 00	89,000 00
Total amount appropriated by Legislature in 1915,	$220,500 00			
Amount approved by the Governor,	148,000 00			
Amount reduced,	$72,500 00			
For the payment of the cost of painting the portrait of Lieutenant Governor John M. Reynolds, to be placed in the Lieutenant Governor's Department, the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) or so much thereof as may be necessary, (This item is included in the totals.)	500 00	500 00	.....	.....

*This appropriation is contingent upon the revenue for the next two years.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 11.15 P. M.) the House adjourned until 11 oclock to-morrow morning.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, April 3, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, in pursuance of the principles laid down by our Lord and Saviour, the American Government has turned its cheek again and again to the smiting of the mailed fist of militarism until their patience has been exhausted. We are now in a state of war and we have been called upon by a government that has exercised a commendable forbearance and now the entire United States is called upon to express its patriotism in defending our honor and in defending American rights and we pray that our entire people may make all the preparation that is necessary to enter into this warfare without fear, with calmness and with a courage that will be irresistible. Great God arouse us, we pray Thee, to a spirit of defense that will astonish the entire world over and may the issue be clear that we are fighting for the rights of humanity. We make this prayer in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SONES, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGES.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 8 (Senate Bill No. 755), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school district and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities, to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 376 (Senate Bill No. 756), entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

House Bill No. 451 (Senate Bill No. 757), entitled

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds if certain life insurance and annuity contracts bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

Which was committed to the Committee on Insurance.

House Bill No. 820 (Senate Bill No. 758), entitled

An Act requiring the erection of detour signs by the authorities by whose direction any public highway may be closed and providing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

House Bill No. 875 (Senate Bill No. 759), entitled

An Act to authorize the revising editing and printing of twenty-five thousand copies of Bulletin number two hundred and one entitled "Market Gardening" issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 876 (Senate Bill No. 760), entitled

An Act to authorize the revising editing and printing of fifteen thousand copies of Bulletin number one hundred and eighty-six entitled "Swine Husbandry" issued by the Department of Agriculture and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 900 (Senate Bill No. 761), entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 248.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 248, entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulation partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 493.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 493, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class.

SENATE BILL NO. 84 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 84, entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 1, by striking out the word "this" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "such;" also line 2, by striking out the word "pleadings" and inserting in lieu thereof the wordes "practice pleading;" also in line 3, by inserting after the word "other" the words "and similar;" also by striking out after the word "individuals" the following: "The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sones,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Sproul,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Warner,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

SENATE BILL NO. 85 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 1, by striking out the word "this" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "such;" also line 2, by striking out the word "pleadings" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "practice pleading"; also in line 3, by inserting after the word "other" the words "and similar;" also by striking out after the word "individuals" the following: "The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

SENATE BILL NO. 86 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 11, by striking out the word "This" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "such;" also page 2, line 1, by striking out the word "pleadings" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "practice pleading"; also in line 2, by inserting after the word "other" the words "and similar;" also in line 3, by striking out the words "The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 8, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one milion population and less than one million three hundred thousand population.

Senate Bill No. 34, entitled

An act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

House Bill No. 250, entitled

An Act relating to limited partnerships.

House Bill No. 267, entitled

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines

House Bill No. 268, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relative to the burial of the bodies of certain indigent deceased widows at the county expense."

House Bill No. 319, entitled

An Act transfering part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant-Governor Frank B. McClain) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced presented communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 3, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

W. D. N. Rogers, Pittsburgh.

BERKS COUNTY.

Sherman H. Hoverter, Reading.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Ivan J. McKendrick, Ebensburg.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

S. G. Shannon, Norwood.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Joseph A. Mason, Connellsville.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

William A. Seitz, Shamokin.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

F. R. Hansell, Philadelphia.
Samuel Taylor Leland, Philadelphia.
George H. B. Martin, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That Rule 38 which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. CROW,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. HALDEMAN, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 614, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the provisions of the act of Congress approved February twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures," and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

Mr. McKEE, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 655, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article 3, section 6, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 742, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate, and to enable citizens of the United States, and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth, to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 325, entitled

An Act providing for the sale, distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 358, entitled

A joint resolution providing for a commission to submit a revised penal code of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation for the expense of the commission.

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 617, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the maintenance and government of a county home in each county of the State for indigent orphans and for delinquent, incorrigible, indigent, dependent and neglected children under sixteen years of age and providing for their commitment thereto.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered; and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same; method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

Mr. WHITTEN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 555 (House Bill No. 472), entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed.

Mr. SASSAMAN, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 648 (House Bill No. 905), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 16th day of June, 1891, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 615, entitled

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April, 1868, entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 688, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of county treasurers, in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards, for services rendered the Commonwealth.

Mr. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 53, entitled

An Act authorizing trustees, guardians and other fiduciaries, to sell, assign, alter, modify or supplement coal mining leases, with the approval of the Court having jurisdiction of their accounts.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 598 (House Bill No. 364), entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of the stock of goods, wares or merchandise or any kind or of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor."

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. TOMPKINS (by request) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 762, entitled

An Act to provide that the title of any married woman to real estate situate within this Commonwealth, where the same is recorded or of record in her own name, shall be held by such married woman free and discharged of any presumpion that she holds such real estate in trust for her husband or that she purchased the same with his money.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 763, entitled

An Act to amend article 2, section 1, sub-section T, and article 5, section 12 of an act, entitled "An Act defining public service companies; and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining, and limiting their powers, and regulating their incorporation, and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the commission, its officers, counsel, and employes, prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission, and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders, subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission, making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains, by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act, approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act, entitled 'To provide the maximum care service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars, and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the provisions of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by providing the proportions in which the cost of establishing overhead and undergrade crossings shall be borne by railroad companies, the Commonwealth and the various municipal divisions of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McCONNELL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 764, entitled

An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint a commission for the purchase of the site of Fort Augusta, located in the Borough of Sunbury, Northumberland County, and making an appropriation for the purchase and maintenance.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 765, entitled

An Act requiring assessors and assistant assessors in boroughs to keep account of days actually employed and make return thereof to county commissioners, and fixing their compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 766, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for injured persons of the Treverton, Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields, situate in the Township of Coal, near Shamokin, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, for deficiency in maintenance for the two fiscal years commencing June first, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 767, entitled

An Act defining consolidation of schools; providing for the establishment and regulation of consolidated schools; and providing for State Aid for the transportation of pupils to and from consolidated schools.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. PHIPPS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 768, entitled

An Act providing a method of establishing title to land acquired at a sale for unpaid taxes.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 769, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred sixty-four, entitled "An Act to regulate elections by soldiers in actual military service."

Which was committed to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. CROW read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 770, entitled

An Act to further amend an act entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction; and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act; and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction, and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act, and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violations thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," by providing for further instruction prior to examination for licensure; by clarifying sections five (5) and twelve (12).

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. HACKETT read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 771, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WASBERS, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported as committed resolution of the House of Representatives, No. 11, as follows:

Whereas The Subject of Universal Military Training has been and will be presented to the Congress of the United States and

Whereas There should be enacted into law a Universal Military Training Bill Now therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives (if the Senate concurs) That we earnestly endorse the principle of Universal Military Training and urge upon the members of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania to aid in the enactment of such a Universal Military Training law as will now and hereafter provide for the common defence promote and maintain the general welfare safety and happiness of all the people and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity

Be it further resolved That a copy of this resolution together with the action thereon be sent to each member in the Congress of the United States from the State of Pennsylvania.

Which was laid upon the table.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. BUCKMAN offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

In the Senate, April 3, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April ninth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvenes on Monday evening April ninth at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to lie over one day, be dispensed with in order that the Senate may now proceed to the consideration of House Concurrent Resolution No. 11, as follows:

Whereas The Subject of Universal Military Training has been and will be presented to the Congress of the United States and

Whereas There should be enacted into law a Universal Military Training Bill Now therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives if the Senate concurs That we earnestly endorse the principle of Universal Military Training and urge upon the members of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania to aid in the enactment of such a Universal Military Training law as will now and hereafter provide for the common defence promote and maintain the general welfare safety and happiness of all the people and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity

Be it further resolved That a copy of this resolution together with the action thereon be sent to each member in the Congress of the United States from the State of Pennsylvania

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 172, on third reading, entitled

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments in the townships of the Commonwealth.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 216, as follows:

An Act relating to the salaries and expenses of the examiners in the Department of Banking

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That each examiner in the Banking Department from and after the passage and approval of this act shall receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars and also the actual expenses incurred in the performance of the work assigned to said examiners by the said Commissioner of Banking which salary and expenses shall be paid monthly by warrants drawn by the Auditor General on the State Treasurer

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. LEIBY. Mr. President and gentlemen of the Senate, as I am informed, there is no provision made here in this bill how this money shall be repaid to the State, or that the State banks shall in any way compensate these examiners. We all know the bank examiners are compensated by the national banks and If I am properly informed it seems to me it would be unjust and will be a discrimination if state banks should have their examinations paid for by the State, and national banks be compelled to pay for their own examining. It would mean an expenditure of many thousand dollars on the part of the State, which should not be placed as a burden on the States finances by this body, and such a discrimination made. I think, if I understand it correctly, the bill is unwise in its present form and should be referred back to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations for amendment.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask in the absence of the sponsor of this bill, that it go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. This bill has been agreed to on third reading, and under the rule it cannot go over in its order. The bill must be considered, or a motion to postpone made and carried.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 227 (House Bill No. 122), entitled

An Act to amend Section 16 of an act approved the 28th day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (P. L. 178), entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth; and providing penalties for the violation of this act," to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 273, as follows:

An Act establishing a public school employes' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing employes defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of public school employes exempting annuities allowances returns benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process and providing penalties

Definitions.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following words and phrases as used in this act unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context shall have the following meanings

(1) "Retirement System" shall mean the arrangement for the payment of retirement allowances under the provisions of this act

(2) "Retirement Association" shall mean the employes' retirement association provided for in section three of this act

(3) "Retirement Board" shall mean the employes' retirement board provided for in section four of this act

(4) "Superintendent of Public Instruction" shall mean the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

(5) "Public School" shall mean any class school high school normal school training school vocational school truant school parental school and any or all classes or schools within the State of Pennsylvania conducted under the order and superintendence of the Department of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and of a duly elected or appointed board of public education board of school directors or board of trustees of the Commonwealth or of any school district or normal school district thereof and shall include the offices of the State Department of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education

(6) "Employer" shall mean the Commonwealth school district normal school district board or other committee by which the employe is paid

(7) "Employe" shall mean any teacher principal supervisor supervising principal county superintendent district superintendent assistant superintendent any member of the professional staff of the State normal schools or of the professional staff of the State Department of Public Instruction or of the professional staff of the State Board of Education or any clerk stenographer janitor attendance officer or other person engaged in any work concerning or relating to the public schools of this Commonwealth or under contract or engagement to perform one or more of these functions provided that no person shall be deemed an employe within the meaning of this act who is not regularly engaged in performing one or more of these functions as a full-time occupation outside of vacation periods In all cases of doubt the retirement board shall determine whether any person is a teacher as defined in this act

(8) "Present Employe" shall mean any employe as defined in paragraph seven of this section employed law in any capacity in connection with the public schools and any teacher who was employed prior to such time and who shall become a contributor within three years from the date of expiration of such employment

(9) "New Entrant" shall mean any employe as defined in paragraph seven of this section appointed or elected

or contracting or otherwise legally engaging to serve in any capacity in connection with the public schools after this bill becomes a law

(10) "Contributor" shall mean any person who has an account in the annuity savings fund

(11) "Beneficiary" shall mean any person in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit as provided in this act

(12) "School Service" shall mean any service as an employe as defined by paragraph (seven) of this section

(13) "Prior Service" shall mean all school service completed not later than the thirteenth day of June nineteen hundred eighteen

(14) "School Year" shall mean the official school year of the school district in which an employe is employed

(15) "Disablity Retirement" shall mean retirement as defined in section twelve of this act

(16) "Superannuation Retirement" shall mean retirement as defined in section thirteen of this act

(17) "Final Salary" shall mean the average annual salary not exceeding two thousand dollars earnable by a contributor as an employe for the ten years of service immediately preceding retirement

(18) "Accumulated Deductions" shall mean the total of the amounts deducted from the salary of a contributor and credited to his individual account in the annuity savings fund together with the regular interest thereon

(19) "Regular Interest" shall mean interest at four per cent per annum compounded annually

(20) "State Annuity" shall mean payment for life derived from contributions made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as provided in this act

(21) "Employe's Annuity" shall mean payments for life derived from contributions made by a contributor as provided in this act

(22) "Retirement Allowance" shall mean the state annuity plus the employe's annuity

(23) "State Annuity Reserve" shall mean the present value computed on the basis of such mortality tables as shall be adopted by the retirement board with regular interest of the future payments to be made on account of any state annuity granted and based on contributions made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

(24) "Employe's Annuity Reserve" shall mean the present value computed on the basis of such mortality tables as shall be adopted by the retirement board with regular interest of the future payments to be made on account of any employe's annuity granted and based on the accumulated deductions of the contributor

(25) "Expense Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number two in section eight of this act

(26) "Contingent Reserve Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number three in section eight of this act

(27) "State Annuity Reserve Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number four in section eight of this act

(28) "State Annuity Reserve Fund Number Two" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number five in section eight of this act

(29) "Employe's Annuity Savings Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number six in section eight of this act

(30) "Employe's Annuity Reserve Fund" shall mean the fund provided for in paragraph number seven in section eight of this act

Retirement System.

Section 2 The retirement system shall be established on the first day of July nineteen hundred eighteen

Employe's Retirement Association

Section 3 An employes' retirement association is hereby organized the membership of which shall consist of the following

1 All present employes except those specifically excluded by paragraph three of this section who by written application to the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall elect before the first day of July nineteen hundred eighteen to be covered by the retirement system

2 All new entrants except those specifically excluded by paragraph three of this section

3 Present employes who are members and new entrants who become members of a retirement system maintained under the laws of the Commonwealth from appropriations or contributions made wholly or in part by any employer and existing at the time this bill becomes a law shall be excluded from membership in this retirement association But should two-thirds of all the teachers participating in any such retirement system apply for membership in the retirement association by a petition duly signed and verified approved by their employer and filed with the retirement board all the teachers included in the membership of such retirement system shall become members of the retirement association at such time within three months after the filing of such petition as the retirement board shall designate Thereupon the retirement system of which they were members at the time they were included in the retirement association provided by this act shall be dissolved and discontinued as follows

The payment of retirement allowances or other benefits which were in effect at the time of such discontinuance shall become an obligation of the employer shall be continued as formerly provided by such retirement system and shall be paid out of such moneys excepting further contributions of teachers as were formerly available for such payment and the employer shall appropriate for such purpose such other moneys as shall be required

All present assets of such retirement system at the time of its discontinuance shall be transferred to the employer to be held and invested as a trust fund and disbursed only in payment to the before-mentioned retired teachers except that if the amount of such present assets exceed the present value of the future retirement allowances or other benefits of such retired teachers computed on the basis of such tables as the retirement board shall have adopted for similar classes of annuitants and of regular interest the amount of the excess shall thereupon be transferred to State annuity reserve fund number two. Upon the retirement of any contributor of the retirement association established by this act who has not received back any contributions which he made to such discontinued retirement system there shall be paid from State annuity reserve fund number two into employes' annuity reserve fund the amount of such contributions and he shall receive therefor such annuity or other benefit purchasable therewith as he may elect in addition to the other benefits provided by this act

The Retirement Board.

Section 4 A retirement board of seven members is hereby constituted which shall consist of the following

(a) The Superintendent of Public Instruction

(b) The Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

(c) One member who shall be appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who shall serve until his successor is appointed

(d) Three members of the retirement association elected from among their number in a manner to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction the State Treasurer and the member of the retirement board appointed by the Governor one to serve for one year one for two years and one for three years and whose successors shall be elected for a term of three years from among the members of the retirement association in a manner to be approved by the retirement board

(e) One member not an employe nor officer or employe of the State shall be elected annually by the board to serve for a term of one year

A vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term by the appointment of a successor in the same manner as his predecessor Until the organization of the retirement association and the election of three representatives therefrom the Superintendent of Public Instruction the State Treasurer and the member appointed by the Governor are empowered to perform the duties of the retirement board

2 The members of the retirement board shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed from the expense fund for any necessary expenditures and no contributor shall suffer loss of salary or wages through serving on the retirement board

3 The retirement board shall elect from its membership a chairman and shall appoint a secretary an actuary and such medical clerical and other employes as may be necessary

4 The compensation of all persons employed by the retirement board shall be fixed by said retirement board

5 Subject to the limitations of this act and of law the retirement board shall from time to time establish rules and regulations for the administration of the funds created by this act and for the transaction of its business

6 The retirement board shall keep in convenient form such data as shall be necessary for actuarial valuation of the various funds created by this act

7 In the years nineteen hundred twenty and nineteen hundred twenty-three and in every fifth year thereafter the actuary of the retirement board shall make an actuarial investigation into the mortality and service experience of the contributors and beneficiaries as defined in this act and shall make a valuation of the various funds created by this act and on the basis of such investigation and valuation the retirement board shall

(a) Adopt for the retirement system one or more mortality tables and such other tables as shall be deemed necessary

(b) Certify the rates of deduction from salary necessary to pay the annuities authorized under the provisions of this act and

(c) Certify the rates of contribution expressed as a percentage of the salary of new entrants at various ages which shall be made by the Commonwealth to the contingent reserve fund

8 Immediately after the passage of this act the actuary of the retirement board shall make such investigation of the mortality service and salary experience of the employes of the public schools as he shall recommend and the retirement board shall authorize for the purpose of determining upon the proper tables to be prepared and submitted to the retirement board for adoption On the basis of such investigation and recommendation the retirement board shall adopt such tables and certify such rates as are required in subsections a b and c of paragraph seven immediately preceding On the basis of such tables the actuary of the retirement board shall immediately after the first day of July nineteen hundred eighteen make a valuation of the various funds created by this act

9. The retirement board shall publish annually a report showing the condition of the various funds created by this act and setting forth such other facts recommendations and data as may be of use in the advancement of knowledge concerning employes' pensions and annuities and said retirement board shall submit said report to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall file copies thereof in the offices of the State Department of Public Instruction of the State Insurance Department and of each employer for use of the employes and the public

10. Each member of the retirement board shall take an oath of office that he will so far as it devolves upon him diligently and honestly administer the affairs of said retirement board and that he will not knowingly violate or wilfully permit to be violated any of the provisions of law applicable to this act Such oath shall be subscribed by the member making it and certified by the officer before whom it is taken and shall be immediately filed in the office of the Secretary of State

11 The retirement board shall keep a record of all of of its proceedings which shall be open to inspection by the public

12. The retirement board shall perform such other functions as are required for the execution of the provisions of this act

Corporate Powers

Section 5 For the purposes of this act the retirement board shall possess the powers and privileges of a corporation The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be the legal adviser of said retirement board

Management of the Funds

Section 6 The funds created by this act shall be managed as follows

1 The members of the retirement board shall be the trustees of the several funds created by this act and shall have full power to invest the same subject however to all the terms conditions limitations and restrictions imposed by this act upon the making of investments and subject also to the terms conditions limitations and restrictions imposed by law upon savings banks in the making and disposing of their investments and subject to like terms conditions limitations and restrictions and trustees shall have full power to hold purchase sell assign transfer or dispose of any of the securities and investments in which any of the funds created by this act shall have been invested as well as of the proceeds of said investments and of any moneys belonging to said funds

2 The retirement board shall annually allow regular interest on the mean amount for the preceding year in each of the funds created in accordance with the provisions of this act with the exception of the expense fund The amount so allowed shall be due and payable to such funds and shall be annually credited there to by the retirement board

3 The treasurer of this Commonwealth shall be the custodian of the several funds created by this act

4 All payments from the funds created by this act shall be made by the State Treasurer only upon warrants signed by the chairman of the retirement board and countersigned by the secretary of the retirement board and on warrant shall be drawn except by order of the retirement board duly entered in the record of its proceedings

5 For the purpose of meeting disbursements for annuities and other payments in excess of the receipts there may be kept an available fund not exceeding ten per centum of the total amount in the several funds created by this act on deposit in any bank in this Commonwealth organized under the laws thereof or under the laws of the United States or with any trust company incorporated by any law of this Commonwealth provided said bank or trust company shall furnish adequate security for said funds and provided that the sum so deposited in any one bank or trust company shall not exceed twenty-five per centum of the paid-up capital and surplus of said bank or trust company

6 Except as herein provided no trustee or any person connected with the retirement board shall have any interest direct or indirect in the gains or profits of any investment made by the retirement board nor as such directly or indirectly receive any pay or endowment for his services And no trustee or person connected with said retirement board directly or indirectly for himself or as an agent or partner of others shall borrow any of its funds or deposits or in any manner use the same except to make such current and necessary payments as are authorized by the board of trustees nor shall any trustee or person connected with said retirement board become an endorser or surety or become in any manner an obliger for moneys loaned by or borrowed of said retirement board

Duties of the Employer

Section 7 Each employer shall before employing any person to whom this act may apply notify such person of his duties and obligations under this act as a condition of his employment.

2 During September of each year each employer shall certify to the retirement board the name of all employes to whom this act applies

3 Each employer shall on the first day of each calendar month notify the retirement board of the employment of new employes' removals withdrawals and changes in salary of employes that shall have occurred during the month preceding

4 Under the direction of the retirement board each employer shall furnish such other information as the board may require in the discharge of his duties

5 Each employer shall cause to be deducted on each and every payroll of a contributor for each and every payroll period subsequent to June thirtieth nineteen hundred eighteen such per centum of the total amount of salary earnable by the contributor in such payroll period as shall be certified to said employer by the retirement board as proper in accordance with the provisions of this act No deductions shall be made from that part of the salary earnable by any contributor which is at a rate in excess of two thousand dollars per annum In determining the amount earnable by a contributor in a payroll period the retirement board may consider the rate of salary payable to such contributor on the first day of each regular payroll period as continuing throughout such payroll period and it may omit salary deductions for any period less than a full payroll period in cases where the employe was not a contributor on the first day of the regular payroll period and to facilitate the making of the deductions it may modify the deduction required of any contributor by such amount as shall not exceed one-tenth of one per centum of the salary upon the basis of which the deduction is to be made the deductions provided herein shall be made notwithstanding that minimum salaries provided for by the laws ordinances resolutions or other acts of the Commonwealth or of any other employer shall be reduced thereby each employer shall certify to the treasurer of said employer on each and every payroll a statement as voucher for the amounts so deducted and shall send a duplicate of such statement to the secretary of the retirement board

6 The treasurer of each employer on receipt from the employer of the voucher for deductions from the salaries of employes provided in paragraph five of this section shall transmit monthly or at such times as the retirement board shall designate the amounts specified in such voucher to the secretary of the retirement board The secretary of the retirement board after making a record of all such receipts shall pay them to the treasurer of the Commonwealth for use according to the provisions of this act

7 Each employer shall keep such records as the retirement board may require

Funds

Section 8 The funds hereby created are the expense fund the contingent reserve fund State annuity reserve fund State annuity reserve fund number two the employes' annuity savings fund and the employes' annuity reserve fund

2 The expense fund shall consist of such amounts as shall be paid by the Commonwealth on the basis of estimates submitted by the retirement board to defray the expenses of the administration of this act exclusive of the payment of retirement allowances and of the other benefits provided for in this act

3 In the month of July nineteen hundred nineteen for a period covering the twelve months next preceding and semi-annually thereafter covering the six months next preceding the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall pay into a fund to be known as the contingent reserve fund on account of each new entrant who was a contributor for one or more months of such respective periods such amount as shall be certified by the retirement board as necessary to provide by such method of payment during the prospective active service of such new entrant the State annuity reserve required at the time of retirement for the disability or superannuation State annuity allowable by the said Commonwealth under the provisions of this act The amount so certified by the retirement board shall be computed to bear a ratio to the salary earnable by such new entrant during the period for which the amount is certified which shall remain constant during his entire period of prospective active service and shall be based on such morality and other tables as shall be adopted by the retirement board and on regular interest

4 Upon the retirement of a new entrant an amount equal to his State annuity reserve shall be transferred from the contingent reserve fund into a fund to be known as State annuity reserve fund his State annuity shall be paid from said State annuity reserve fund Should said new entrant be subsequently restored to active service his State annuity reserve shall thereupon be transferred from State annuity reserve fund to the contingent reserve fund Should the State annuity of any such new entrant be otherwise reduced or discontinued in accordance with the provisions of this act his State annuity reserve or such proportionate part of his State annuity reserve as corresponds to the amount of the reduction in his State annuity shall be transferred from State annuity reserve fund to the contingent reserve fund

5 Beginning with the month of July nineteen hundred eighteen and continuing until the accumulation reserve equals the present value as computed by the actuary of the retirement board and approved by the retirement board of all State annuity payments thereafter payable by the Commonwealth on account of present employes then retired or to be retired on State annuities as provided in this act the said Commonwealth shall pay semi-annually into a fund to be known as State annuity reserve fund number two an amount equal to two and eight-tenths (2.8) per-centum of the total compensation paid to all contributors for service during the preceding school year and in every case an amount at least three percentum greater than the second preceding semi-annual payment provided that in every case the amount shall be sufficient when combined with that in the fund to provide the pensions payable by the Commonwealth during the half-year then current to present employes then retired or to be retired as provided in this act Upon the retirement of a present employe his State annuity shall be paid from State annuity reserve fund number two

6 The employes' annuity savings fund shall consist of the accumulated deductions from the salaries of contributors made under such rules and regulations as the retirement board shall prescribe as follows

From the salary of each employe who is a contributor there shall be deducted such percentum of his earnable salary not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum as shall be computed to be sufficient with regular interest to procure for him on superannuation retirement at age sixty-two an employe's annuity equal to one one-hundred sixtieth (1-160) of his final salary for each year of service after

the thirtieth day of June nineteen hundred eighteen except that if the deduction so computed shall exceed five percentum of his earnable salary and the employe shall so elect there shall be deducted five percentum of his earnable salary and further provided that a beneficiary restored to school service shall not be required to contribute at a percentum rate of his earnable salary which is greater than the percentum thereof which he was required to contribute prior to his retirement the rate percentum of said deduction from salary shall be based on such mortality and other tables as the retirement board shall adopt together with regular interest and shall be computed to remain constant during the prospective school service of the contributor

7 Upon the retirement of a contributor his accumulated deductions shall be transferred from the employes' annuity savings fund to a fund to be known as the employes' annuity reserve fund his employes' annuity shall be paid out of said employes' annuity reserve fund Should said contributor be subsequently restored to active service his employes' annuity reserve shall thereupon be transferred from the employes' annuity reserve fund to the employes' annuity savings fund

8 No contributor shall be required to continue to contribute to the employers' annuity savings fund after he shall have become eligible for superannuation retirement all contributions made thereafter to said fund shall be voluntary

State Guaranty

Section 9 Regular interest charges payable the creation and maintenance of reserves in the contingent reserve fund and the maintenance of employers' annuity reserves and State annuity reserves as provided for in this act and the payment of all retirement allowances and other benefits granted by the retirement board under the provisions of this act are hereby made obligations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania All income interest and dividends derived from deposits and investments authorized by this act shall be used for the payment of the said obligations of the Commonwealth The retirement board shall prepare and submit to the Legislature on or before the thirty-first day of January in each odd-numbered year an itemized estimate of the amounts necessary to be appropriated by the Commonwealth to the various funds to complete the payment of the said obligations of said Commonwealth accruing during the biennium beginning July first of the same year and it shall be the duty of said legislature to make an appropriation sufficient to provide for such obligations of the Commonwealth and the amounts so appropriated shall be included in the general appropriation bill and shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth into the various fund created by this act For the biennium beginning July first nineteen hundred seventeen there is hereby appropriated to the expense fund created by section eight paragraph two of this act such sum not to exceed twenty thousand dollars as shall be certified to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth by the retirement board as necessary to meet the expenses of establishing the retirement system constituted by the provisions of this act For said biennium there is hereby appropriated and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized and directed to pay into pension reserve fund number two the amounts which shall become due in such period from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to such fund under the provision of section eight paragraph five of this act

Service Allowance

Section 10 In computing the length of service of a contributor for retirement purposes under the provisions of this act full credit shall be given to each contributor by the retirement board for each school year of service as an employe as defined in section one paragraph seven of this act Under such rules and regulations as the retirement board shall adopt each employe shall file with the retirement board a detailed statement of all such service rendered by him As soon as practicable thereafter the retirement board shall verify such statement as to prior service and shall issue to each employe a certificate certifying to the aggregate length of his prior service Such certificate shall be final and conclusive as to his prior service unless thereafter modified (a) by the retirement board upon application by the employe or (b) by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction upon application by the employe or by the retirement board provided such application for modification be made to said State Superintendent of Public Instruction within one year after the issuance of a certificate or a modified certificate by the retirement board A certificate for prior service issued to a present employe shall certify the total number of completed years of prior service allowance for said present employe to and including the thirtieth day of June nineteen hundred eighteen The time during which an employe is absent without pay shall not be counted in computing the prior service the total service or the average salary of a contributor unless allowed by the employer by whom said contributor was employed at the time said leave of absence was granted and further unless said allowance is approved by the retirement board

Withdrawal

Section 11 Should a contributor by resignation or dismissal or in any other way than by death or retirement separate from the school service he shall be paid on demand (a) the full amount of the accumulated deductions standing to the credit of his individual account in the annuity savings fund or in lieu thereof should he so elect (b) an annuity or a deferred annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of said accumulated deductions His membership in the retirement association shall thereupon cease

2 Should an employe so separated from the school service return to service within three years and restore to the annnity savings fund his accumulated deductions as they were at the time of his separation the annuity rights forfeited by him at that time shall be restored

3 Should a contributor die before retirement his accumulated deductions shall be paid to his estate or to such person as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the retirement board

Disability Retirement

Section 12 Retirement upon disability shall be made and discontinued as follows

1 Upon the application of a contributor who is a employe or of one acting in his behalf or upon the application of the employer of a contributor the retirement board shall retire said contributor on a disability allowance if he is under the age of sixty-two years and on a superannuation allowance if he has attained or passed by said board after a medical examination of said consuch age provided the physician or physicians designated tributor made at the place of residence of said contributor or at a place mutually agreed upon shall certify to the retirement board that said contributor is physically or mentally incapacitated for the performance of duty and that said contributor ought to be retired and provided further that said contributor has had ten or more school years of school service

2 Once each year the retirement board may require any disability annuitant while still under the age of sixty-two years to undergo medical examination by a physician or physicians designated by the retirement board said examination to be made at the place of residence of said beneficiary or other place mutually agreed upon Should such physician or physicians thereupon report and certify to the retirement board that such disability beneficary is no longer physically or mentally incapacitated for the performance of duty or that such disability beneficiary is able to engage in a gainful occupation and should the retirement board concur in such report then the amount of the State annuity shall be discontinued or reduced to an amount that shall be not in excess of the amount by which the amount of the last year's salary of the beneficiary as an employe exceeds the present earning capacity of the contributor

3 Should any disability annuitant while under the age of sixty-two years refuse to submit to at least one medical examination in any year by a physician or physicians designated by the retirement board his State annuity shall be discontinued until the withdrawal of such refusal and should such refusal continue for one year all his rights in and to the State annuity constituted by this act shall be forfeited

4 Upon application of any beneficiary under the age of sixty-two years drawing a retirement allowance under the provisions of this act said beneficiary may be restored to active service by the employer by whom he was employed at the time of his retirement Upon the restoration of a beneficiary to active service his retirement allowance shall cease

Allowance on Disability Retirement

5 On retirement for disability a contributor who is an employe shall receive a retirement allowance which shall consist of

(a) An employe's annuity which shall be the acturial equivalent of his accumulated deductions and

(b) A State annuity which together with the employe's annuity shall be sufficient to produce a retirement allowance of one-ninetieth of his final salary multiplied by the number of his years of service but in any case not less than thirty per centum of said final salary except that in case thirty per centum of said final salary shall exceed eight-ninths of the rate of retirement allowance to which the employe might have been entitled had retirement been deferred until age sixty-two then the State annuity granted shall be such as to make the rate of the total retirement allowance equal to eight-ninths of the rate of allowance to which the employe might have been entitled had retirement been deferred until age sixty-two

Superannuation Retirement

Section 13 Retirement for superannuation shall be as follows

1 Any contributor who is an employe sixty-two years of age or older may retire for superannuation by filing with the retirement board a written statement duly attested setting forth at which time subsequent to the execution of said application he desires to be retired Said application shall retire said contributor at the time so specified or in the discretion of the retirement board at the end of the school term in which the time so specified occurs

2 Each and every contributor who has attained or shall attain the age of seventy years shall be retired by the retirement board for superannuation forthwith or at the end of the school term in which said age of seventy years is attained

Allowance on Superannuation Retirement

3 On retirement for superannuation a contributor who is an employe shall receive a retirement allowance which shall consist of

(a) An employe's annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his accumulated deduction and

(b) A State annuity of one one-hundred sixtieth (1-160) of his final salary for each year of service prior to the age of sixty-two years and

(c) In addition thereto if a present employe a further State annuity of one one-hundred sixtieth (1-160) of his final salary for each year of prior service as certified to said present employe in the certificate issued to him by the retirement board under the provisions of section ten of this act but in no event shall the total State annuity exceed fifty percentum of his final salary

Options

Section 14 At the time of his retirement any contributor may elect to receive his benefits in a retirement allowance payable throughout life or he may on retirement elect to receive the actuarial equivalent at that time of his employe's annuity his State annuity or his retirement allowance in a lesser employe's annuity or a lesser State annuity or a lesser retirement allowance payable throughout life with the provision that

Option 1 If he die before he has received in payments the present value of his employe's annuity his State annuity or his retirement allowance as it was at the time of his retirement the balance shall be paid to his legal representatives or to such person having an insurable interest in his life as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement

Option 2 Upon his death his employe's annuity his State annuity or his retirement allowance shall be continued throughout the life of and paid to such person having an insurable interest in his life as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement

Option 3 Upon his death one-half of his employe's annuity his State Annuity or his retirement allowance shall be continued throughout the life of and paid to such person having an insurable interest in his life as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement

Option 4 Some other benefit or benefits shall be paid to either the contributor or such other person or persons as he shall nominate provided such other benefit or benefits shall be certified by the actuary of the retirement board to be of equivalent actuarial value and shall be approved by the retirement board

Monthly Payments

Section 15 An employes' annuity a State annuity or a retirement allowance granted under the provisions of this act shall be paid in equal monthly installments and shall not be increased decreased revoked or repealed except as otherwise provided in this act

State Supervision

Section 16 The various funds created by this act shall be subject to the supervision of the State Department of Insurance

Exemptions from Execution

Section 17 The right of a person to a employe's annuity a State annuity or retirement allowance to the return of contributions any benefit or right accrued or accruing to any person under the provisions of this act and the moneys in the various funds created under this act are hereby exempt from any State or municipal tax and exempt from levy and sale garnishment attachment or any other process whatsoever and shall be unassignable except as in this act specifically otherwise provided

Section 18 Any person who shall knowingly make any false statement or shall fasify or permit to be falsified any record or records of this retirement system in any attempt to defraud such system as a result of such act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable for such under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Should any such change in records or any mistake in records result in any employe or beneficiary receiving from the retirement system more or less than he would have been entitled to receive had the records been correct then on the discovery of any such error the retirement board shall correct such error and so far as practicable shall adjust the payment which may be made for and to such person in such a manner that the actuarial equivalent of the benefit to which he was correctly entitled shall be paid

Section 19 This act shall take effect at once

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—34.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Patton,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Haldeman,	Phipps,	Sones,
Craig,	Hindman,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Schantz,	Vare,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Warner,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—5.

Buckman,	McKee,	Miller,	Nason,
Jones,			

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 346, as follows:

An Act requiring certain counties in certain instances to assist townships in the construction improvement repair and maintenance of main traveled or trunk roads other than State or State-aid highways and providing the method of procedure

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the county commissioners of counties having a population less than eight hundred thousand inhabitants shall assist any township located within such county in the construction improvement repair or maintenance of main traveled or trunk roads other than State or State-aid highways when the revenue of such township is insufficient for that purpose as hereinatfer set forth

Section 2 Upon the petition of the commissioners of townships of the first class or upon the petition of the supervisors of townships of the second class joined in by at least five owners of property in any township to the court of quarter sessions of the proper county setting forth that a section of a main traveled or trunk township road between certain designated points giving approximate length is in a dangerous condition and in need of reconstruction improvement repair or maintenance and that the revenue of said township is insufficient to pay the cost of reconstructing improving repairing or maintaining said road in a substantial manner the said court shall appoint three viewers from the county board of viewers none of whom shall be a resident of the township petitioning whose duty is shall be to meet and view said road and make report to said court said viewers shall give notice of the time and place of meeting by publication at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation published in the county and shall also give notice thereof by handbills posted in at least ten conspicuous places along the line or in the vicinity of the road proposed to be constructed improved repaired or maintained

Section 3 The said viewers having been duly sworn or affirmed according to law shall view the road and shall hear all parties interested and their witnesses and shall file within ten days after such hearing their report with the said court of quarter sessions which report shall set forth the fact of the time and place of meeting that the road for which county aid is asked in the improving is a main traveled or trunk road between certain points the condition of said road the number of miles of unimproved roads and the number of miles of improved roads in said township the length of the road to be improved the assessed value of the real estate in the township the millage rate of tax levied for road purposes and the total amount of road tax collected the number of taxables in the township the approximate cost of reconstructing improving repairing or maintaining said road the total indebtedness of said township for road purposes together with their recommendation as to the necessity of reconstructing or maintaining said road with county aid and together with such other recommendations as they shall deem necessary for the information of the court

Section 4 The court shall within fifteen days after the filing of said report give ten days' notice in such manner as may be determined by the court of the time when the said court will examine the report and hear any objections thereto After such examination and hearing the said court shall decide whether the county commissioners of such county shall give assistance to the township which decision shall be final for all purposes

Section 5 If the said court shall decide that assistance is necessary it shall direct the county commissioners of such county to give such assistance specifying the amount to be expended by the county and the purposes for which said money is to be expended Such construction improvement repair or maintenance shall proceed at the instance of the township supervisors under the supervision of the county commissioners or an inspector appointed by them Before any work of reconstruction improvement repairs or maintenance is undertaken a careful and accurate survey and plan and estimate of cost shall be made of the section of road to be reconstructed improved repaired or maintained and submitted together with specifications and contracts to the State Highway Department for approval

Section 6 Each of said viewers shall be paid for each day necessarily and actually spent by him in the performance of his duties such sum as is now provided by law to be paid to viewers selected from the county board of viewers All costs including court costs and costs of advertising and notices shall be paid out of the treasury of

the proper county in such cases wherein the viewers reports are approved by the courts otherwise to be paid by the petitioners

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I see no reason to postpone this bill for the present; you might just as well take a vote on it and dispose of it.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I am opposed to this bill because it endeavors to impose the responsibility for the maintenance of roads in some of the townships upon the county. This bill, if it would become a law, would enable any five residents of the township, where the township is unwilling to pay its proportionate share of the construction of public roads, to make an application to the proper court of the county to have viewers appointed for the purpose of determining the costs of the improvement of the highway in that particular township and then the burden rests upon the court, and the court would always be called upon to make some appropriation out of county funds for the improvement of the township roads. That is not fair to the balance of the townships in the county. In some of the townships, where a large proportion of taxes are paid for county maintenance, instead of having the money applied to the improvement of roads in the particular township, the township which is unwilling to pay any of its own money for the improvement of the public roads gets the benefit of the money that is paid by people in other parts of the county. It is not a fair piece of legislation and should not be enacted into law.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, in reply to the Senator from Dauphin, I am sorry that I do not have the ability to answer his remarks, but from a practical standpoint I wish to call the attention of the Senators of this body to the fact that there are conditions existing in forty or fifty per cent. of the counties of this State that require attention. Townships in a number of counties have been robbed of their resources because they have been taken away in the past and have left the people of those communities without resources, consequently they have no roads that are fit to travel and are a burden upon the counties where they are situated and by giving them some assistance by the communities that have had the benefit from those townships in the past they can be self-sustaining and have roads that can be traveled by the public in general, and the people from the larger communities or cities, they use those roads more and are benefited more than the poor people who live in those townships which have been cited here. Gentlemen, we talk about the high cost of living. Unless there are measures taken to assist those communities in the way of giving them better roads and better schools, the cost of living will be still higher than it is at present. It is a pleasant thing for us who live in cities and towns to have our ladies sit on the front porch in luxury and ease and think that the people in the townships and rural districts must work to give us a cheap living. Gentlemen, it is time that we take measures to assist those communities that cannot help themselves. If that policy had been adhered to in the past the west would be desolate and would not be supplying us and to-day we would be starving. I hope you will consider this measure on its merits and vote accordingly.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I desire to interrogate the Senator from Carbon, Mr. Warner.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Carbon, Mr. Warner, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I desire to ask the Senator from Carbon, in reply to his remarks, whether the townships to which he refers have been depleted of their natural resources and whether they were not depleted by reason of the ownership of persons living in the township and having lands there who took the stuff away.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, no sir, in the counties that I represent, you people all know Albert Lewis, a lumber king; he had the benefit of the lumber in all of these counties and left the townships desolate.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I desire to further interrogate the Senator from Carbon.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Carbon, Mr. Warner, permit himself to be further interrogated?

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I desire to ask the Senator if Mr. Lewis did not own the property there at the time, or have a lease on it?

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, yes, that is no doubt the case, but after the timber was taken off he left the lands to be sold for taxes, a great many of them, and that is about all that they have now and we use those roads for our pleasure to pass over.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Catlin,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Stewart,
DeWitt,	Jones,	Schantz,	Tompkins,
Endsley,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Vare,
Eyre,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Warner,
Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Wasbers,
Hackett,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Weaver,
Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,	Whitten,
Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,	

NAYS—11.

Beidleman,	Croft,	Kline,	Patton,
Buckman,	Crow,	Martin,	Phipps,
Burke,	Daix,	McNichol,	

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered. That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 469, entitled

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of automobiles motor trucks or other motor vehicles or of any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 471, entitled

An Act to authorize the payment by corporations to their directors of compensation for services rendered by them.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 522 (House Bill No. 477), entitled

An Act to enable foreign fraternal beneficiary associations and corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beidleman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 552 (House Bill No. 293), entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 557 (House Bill No. 657), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 560, as follows:

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred nine entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners to provide for the examination and licensing of osteopaths in this State and to provide penalties for the violation of this act" as amended by provided for the extension of time necessary for graduation by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eight of an act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred nine (Pamphlet Laws forty-six) entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to define the powers and duties of the said Board of Osteopathic Examiners to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State and to provide penalties for the violation of this act" which reads as follows

"Section 8 From and after the approval of this act any person not theretofore authorized to practice osteopathy in this State and desiring to enter upon such practice may deliver to the Secretary of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars a written application for license together with satisfactory proof that the applicant is more than twenty-one years of age is of good moral character

and has obtain a preliminary education as hereinafter provided and has received a diploma conferring the degree in osteopathy from some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college of the United States or some foreign country wherein the course of instruction consists of at least three separate years of not less than nine months in each separate year Applicants who receive their degree in osteopathy after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve must have pursued the study of osteopathy for four years of at least eight months in each year in four different calendar years the work of each year having been successfully passed in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college or colleges prior to the granting of said diploma or foreign license Provided however That any applicant who shall have completed a course of study in any osteopathic college consisting of three years of nine months each and a post-graduate course of at least five months aggregating at least thirty-two months shall be accepted in lieu of the full period of four years of eight months each provided for in this act) Provided further That any one who is in the practice of osteopathy in some other State at the time of the approval of this act and who is a graduate from a reputable and legally incorporated college of osteopathy providing a course of study of at least four terms of five month each shall be eligible for examination upon all others terms and conditions provided for applicants for examination under the provisions of this act And provided further That the completion of the regular four years' college course and graduation from a reputable literary college in which four years' course two years were devoted to scientific and biological work in the college shall be accepted by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners as an equivalent for the first year in a recognized reputable osteopathic college Provided That the examinations of the first year of the said osteopathic college have been successfully passed and accepted by the osteopathic college as dealing adequately with chemistry toxicology physics physiology anatomy and the biologic sciences Such proof shall be made if required on affidavit Upon the making of said payment and proof the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners if satisfied with the same shall admit said applicant to examination as to his other qualifications for the practice of osteopathy which examination shall include the subjects of anatomy physiology chemistry toxicology pathology diagnosis hygiene obstetrics and gynecology minor surgery principles and practice of osteopathy and such other subjects as the board may require On receiving from the committee of examiners delegated to conduct examinations as provided for in section five of this act official report of the examination of any applicant for license the said State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall issue forthwith to each applicant who shall have obtained a general average of not less than seventy-five per centum and therefore has been returned as having successfully passed said examination and who shall have been adjudged by the said Board of Examiners to be duly qualified for the practice of osteopathy a license to practice osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania as provided for in section ten of this act In case of failure at any such examination the candidate after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination Having failed upon a second examination as herein provided application de novo may be made upon conforming with the standard of qualification both as to character preliminary and osteopathic education in force at the time of said application and upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 8 From and after the approval of this act any person not theretofore authorized to practice osteopathy in this State and desiring to enter upon such practice may deliver to the Secretary of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars a written application for license together with satisfactory proof that the applicant is more than twenty-one years of age is of good moral character has obtained a preliminary education as hereinafter provided and has received a diploma conferring the degree in osteopathy from some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college of the United States or some foreign country wherein the course of instruction consists of at least three separate years of not less than nine months in each separate year Applicants who receive their degree in osteopathy after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve must have pursued the study of osteopathy for four years of at least eight months in each year for four different calendar years the work of each year having been successfully passed in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college of colleges prior to the granting of said diploma or foreign license Provided further That any one who is in the practice of osteopathy in some other state at the time of the approval of this act and who is a graduate from a reputable and legally incorporated college or osteopathy provided a course of study of at least four terms of five months each shall be eligible for examination upon all other terms and conditions provided for applicants for examination under the provisions of this act And provided further That the completion of the regular four years' course and graduation from a reputable literary college in which four years' course two years were devoted to scientific and biological work in the college shall be accepted by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners as an equivalent for the first year in a recognized reputable osteopathic college Provided That the examinations of the first year of the said osteopathic college have been successfully passed and accepted by the osteopathic college as dealing adequately with chemistry toxicology physics physiology anatomy and the biologic sciences Such proof shall be made is required on affidavit Upon the making of said payment and proof the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners if satisfied with the same shall admit said applicant to examination as to his other qualifications for the practice of osteopathy which examination shall include the subjects of anatomy physiology chemistry toxicology pathology diagnosis hygiene obstetrics and gynecology minor surgery principles and practice of osteopathy and such other subjects as the board may require On receiving from the committee of examiners delegated to conduct examinations as provided for in section five of this act official report of the examination of any applicant for license the said State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall issue forthwith to each applicant who shall have obtained a general average of not less than seventy-five per centum and therefor has been returned as having successfully passed said examination and who shall have been adjudged by the said board of examiners to be duly qualified for the practice of osteopathy a license to practice osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania as provided for in section ten of this act In case of failure at any such examination the candidate after the expiration of six months and within two years shall have the privilege of a second examination Having failed upon a second examination as herein provided application de novo may be made upon complying with the standard of qualification both as to character preliminary and osteopathic education in force at the time of said application and upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars

Section 2 That section ten of said act which as amended by the act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-one) entitled "An Act to amend sections nine and ten of an act entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State and to provide penalties for the violation of this act' approved the nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine by providing a final date for the registration of certain practitioners of osteopathy by defining what constitutes a reputable school or college of osteopathy within the meaning of this act and by vesting in the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners authority to determine the reputability of osteopathic schools or colleges and the right to determine reciprocal relations between States" reads as follows

"Section 10 Applicants examined and licensed by the State Boards of Osteopathic Examiners of other States on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and filing in the office of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners a copy of said license certified by the affidavit of the president or secretary of such board showing also that the standard of requirements adopted by said board of examiners is substantially the same as is provided by section eight of this act (may) without further examination receive a license conferring on the holder thereof all the right and privileges provided by section eleven of this act

"Candidates for license to practice osteopathy in this State who present their applications and undergo examination after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve shall be obliged to present to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners one of the following credentials satisfactory to the said board covering their preliminary education prior to their beginning the study of osteopathy in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college to wit A diploma of graduation from a reputable college or university granting the degrees of bachelor of arts or science or equivalent degree or a diploma of graduation from an educational institution maintaining a four years' course of study that is a State Normal School or a high school a seminary an academy or a college preparatory school or a certificate of having passed examination for admission to the freshman class of a reputable literary or scientific college or university or a certificate of having passed an equivalent examination conducted by a certified examiner for the State of Pennsylvania to be appointed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and for other states to be approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania said certified examiner being privileged to accept credentials from reputable and recognized preliminary schools for any subjects included in the preliminary examination (Provided however That nothing contained in this act shall be construed to affect the right of those qualified to register under the provisions of this act and who are so registered in one county at the time of the approval of this act from registering with the prothonotary in any other county or counties in which he or she desires to practice and it shall be mandatory on their part to so register)" be and the same is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 10 Applicants examined and licensed by the State Boards of Osteopathic Examiners of other States on the payment of a fee of fifty dollars to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and filing in the office of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners a copy of said license certified by the affidavit of the president or secretary or such board showing also that the standard of requirements adopted by said board of examiners is substantially the same as is provided by section eight of this act shall without further examination receive a license conferring on the holder thereof all the rights and privileges provided by section eleven of this act

Candidates for license to practice osteopathy in this State who present their applications and undergo examination after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve shall be obliged to present

to the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners one of the following credentials satisfactory to the said board covering their preliminary education prior to their beginning the study of osteopathy in some legally incorporated reputable osteopathic college to wit A diploma of graduation from a reputable college or university granting the degree of bachelor of arts or science or equivalent degree or a diploma of graduation from an educational institution maintaining a four years' course of study equivalent to a standard four year high school course—this is a State Normal School or a high school a seminary an academy or a college preparatory school or a certificate of having passed examination for admission to the freshmen class of a reputable literary or scientific college or university or a certificate of having passed an equivalent examination conducted by the Bureau of Professional Education Nothing herein shall be construed as being incompatible with the following additional requirement namely That the preliminary education shall include one year's credits in physics chemistry and biology as approved by the Bureau of Professional Education

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 567, entitled

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 576, as follows:

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three entitled "An Act to re-charter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia" and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty entitled "An Act regulating banks"

Section I Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred forty-three (Pamphlet Laws three hundred nine) entitled "An Act to re-charter the Farmers 'and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia which reads as follows

"Section 8 That hereafter banks directors of this Commonwealth shall be eligible for three years out of any four years but no person shall be a director at the same time of more than one bank and every person who has been or shall hereafter be a director in one or more banks of this Commonwealth for three years out of any four years shall be ineligible (except the president who shall always be eligible) as a director in any bank whatever until the expiration of one year thereafter and it shall be lawful for any stockholder to make application to the court of common pleas of the proper county for a writ of quo warranto against every person violating the provisions of this section the said writ to be heard and determined according to the provisions of "An Act relating to writs of quo warranto and mandamus passed fourteenth June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six" and every person so convicted shall be removed from the office of director by a decree of the said court and shall thereafter be ineligible as a director in any bank in this Commonwealth and shall be fined in a sum not less than five hundred dollars nor more than two thousand dollars at the discretion of the court and the vacancy or vacancies shall be filled as in the case of dealth" and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty (Pamphlet Laws four hundred seventy-seven) entitled "An Act regulating banks" which reads as follows

"ARTICLE I

"The affairs of every such bank shall be conducted by thirteen directors to be chosen annually by the stockholders no person not a citizen of the United States and a stockholder in his own right shall be a director no person shall at the same time be a director of any two banks nor shall the governor or any executive or judicial officer of this Commonwealth city or county treasurer or a member of the State Legislature be a director" are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye' the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the consideration of Senate Bill No. 203, bill on final passage, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

An Act defining and regulating boxing and, wrestling contests.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—30.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	Nason,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Patton,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,
Catlin,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Vare,
Croft,	Martin,	Semmens,	Warner,
Crow,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Wasbers,
Daix,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	McNichol,		

NAYS—13

Craig,	Jenkins,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	Leiby,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,	Pres. pro tem.
Haldeman,	Phipps,		

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the consideration of Senate Bill No. 173, bill on final passage, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing, of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth; and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, 1915 (P. L. 644).

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 173, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred forty-four).

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed third reading.

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I voted "aye."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President I second the motion

The PRESIDENT. How did the Senator vote?

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I voted "aye."

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title in line 1, by inserting after the word "repeal" the words "so much of;" also in line 11, by adding at the end thereof the following: "As forbids the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign born person residing upon and operating a farm within the Commonwealth;" also in section 1, page 1, line 3, by adding after the word "that" the words "so much of;" also page 2 line 8, by inserting after the word "provisions" the following: "As makes it unlawful for any unnaturalized foreign born person residing upon and operating a farm within this Commowealth to either own or be in possession of or have under his or her control a dog of any kind, be and the same."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order.

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 579, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, and providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining the same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve and maintain the same; and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, mantenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of the township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner, and the several counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof, in the same manner as a State-aid highway; and authorizing counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof, and making valid all such contracts heretofore made; such highway to remain a State Highway.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 601 (House Bill No. 608), as follows:

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Bedford County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Harry C. Swift of the County of Bedford is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Bedford County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally due to said Harry C. Swift for personal injuries sustained by said Harry C. Swift upon State Highway Route number forty-six near Riddlesburg in the said County of Bedford which State highway is subject to the maintenance supervision and control of the Commonwealth or its agency the State Highway Department

Section 2 The suit shall be subject to the same rules of pratcice pleadings and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Riddleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 604, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend part of the fourth section of the act approved the 28th day of April 1899 entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their popualtion into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," as amended.

be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Affairs for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 619, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction, reconstruction and improvement of State Highways.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order.

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 620, as follows:

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird; prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same and providing for penalties.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the quail is hereby declared to be a song bird and it is unlawful for any person or persons to kill wound trap net snare aim or shoot at catch with bird-lime or with any similar substance or poison or drug any quail at any time of the year Nor shall any person purchase or have in possession sell or offer or expose for sale any quail after the same shall have been killed

Section 2 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars together with costs of prosecution

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, this bill proposes taking quail out of the game class. Now this is very wrong. You eliminate the interest of the true sportsman and you will not have any quail. In the county that I represent during my history the quail have been exterminated two different times. Owing to deep snows; became snowed in and they were exterminated. The results was that the sportsmen of our county created a fund of over two thousand dollars and restocked the county. It is not the matter of shooting quail; that does not diminish the number of quail in the State; it is the heavy winters and the heavy snows and other natural enemies such as weasels, minks, foxes and hawks. Now if the Senator from Greene desires to have the season closed in his county he has ample law right for his own section. He can close his county. This bill affects some eight hundred thousand people in this State, people who are interested to the extent that when there is any snow they have people to go out and feed them. That is the only reason we have quail in the lower tier of this State; in Adams, York, Berks, Lancaster, Dauphin, Chester,

Delaware and all those counties. These counties have an abundance of quail. We now have more quail in our county than we have had in twenty-five years and I therefore think it is a great mistake. If you eliminate the interest of the sportsmen, you will not have any quail.

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I regret to take any time of the Senate in defending a bill of this kind. I just have one interrogation to place before the Senate. Are the agricultural interests of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of more importance than the sporting interests of this Commonwealth? Now I want to answer one of the statements made by my good friend in front of me. He says that if we eliminate this bird from the game list that it will become exterminated. Mr. President, I have a report right here and I will just read a little to see what they have done. "Our turkeys, quail and squirrel have not held their own." Then what service has this Game Protective Association of Pennsylvania done for that interest? And he says the gun does not exterminate the quail. Why, Mr. President, that is not true, I say it respectfully. That is what does exterminate the quail. It is the gun. Let me for a moment point you to the course or proceedings of this Protective Association, if you please. What do they do? They spend some money in stocking sections of the State with quail, not in the interest of the farmers, although it is a valuable little bird, one of the most valuable in picking up insects that are injurious to our crops of all kinds. What do they expend this money for? What does the protection amount to? Why when they get a bunch of them grown they inflict capital punishment with the shot gun and they never quit. There is no commutation of sentence as long as there is a feather in the air. What is the rule among these men? The hunter can kill eight per day, twenty-five per week or forty per season, and there is not one hundredth part or number of quail to go around among all these hunters. They are simply killed. I want to say to you gentlemen that this little naturalized quail in the State of Pennsylvania, if you put him on the song bird list will endure all the hunger and all the conditions that prevail all over this State. I have been all over the State and in touch with every county and the farmers. It has been charged we farmers have no interest in this quail. We certainly have and as long as I can remember my father instructed me place out feed and watch where these little fellows roost, because they have homes, and to feed these quail at times when possibly they might starve to death. There is no encouragement for the farmer to do that now because the shotgun simply exterminates them.

I want to tell you on my farm I have given them all the protection I possibly can. Last year I had two little coveys on my farm and while I was away last fall some hunters, and I don't say all hunters are of that kind at all, I wish to speak respectfully, slipped in and exterminated these quail, all but ten, and there were twenty in one flock and fourteen in another. Now what does the shotgun do? Now my fellow Senators, I appeal to you. And look here, there is another thing, they say these other birds in the State have increased. Then why will not the quail increase in numbers if you take the shortgun away? Why surely he will and there is no encouragement now for the farmers to take the interest he ought to take, and that he does take, to protect these quail because they are simply exterminated.

And see here. I want to say to you that there is as much melody in that "Bob White" as there is in any other song bird and it is pleasant to sit on a summer evening to hear him whistle that pleasant "Bob White" to his splendid little mate to cross the ravine or hill top. We want some of these natural creations in the bird line left to us farmers. It makes home pleasant. I want you to remember that fact. You will enjoy it if you ever come out to see us. I permit hunting on my place, I do not object to a man coming to me wanting to hunt, and I have some game on my place, that they are always ready to kill. These nasty long-eared rabbits make me wrap my trees every Fall, and I invited the boys up and I went with them, and we killed every one we could. And we have another species of game you can hunt, and that is the ground hog. I don't know whether you are fond of hog or not of that kind, but if you are, you are welcome to them.

Now we will give you the rabbit and the ground hog, but let this little quail go free, give him his life, and his liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, I have been told that monious for any argument. We seem to be both protectionists. We both endeavor to protect the quail and I want to say another word in defense to the sportsmen of the State of Pennsylvania, and I would like to ask the Senator from Greene a question.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Greene, Mr. Stewart, permit himself of be interrogated?

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. WASHBERS. Mr. President, I have been told that the Sportsmen's Association of his county has been furnishing buckwheat to the farmers to plant for the purpose of retaining the quail in his section. Is that true?

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I would like the Senator from York, Mr. Wasbers, to state that question again.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, it has been said that the Sportsmen's Association of his district has been furnishing buckwheat to the farmers for seed to plant for his own use purposes, simply to protect quail and make them stay there, so they have something to eat. Is that true?

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I said to my knowledge not at all. I bought my buckwheat seed myself. I did not get it from any sportsmens association.

Mr. WASBERS. Mr. President, my question has been misinterpreted. I did not mean to say that the Senator received his buckwheat from the Sportsmen's Association, but the farmers of his district did.

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I said to my knowledge the farmers of my distrist did not receive any buckwheat. The Senator is a good speaker but a mighty poor listener.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Sones,
Buckman,	Jones,	Schantz,	Stewart,
Burke,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Vare,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Warner,
Croft,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Hackett,	Nason,		

NAYS—12.

Eyre,	Martin,	Sproul,	Beidleman,
Haldeman,	McNichol,	Tompkins,	Pres. pro tem.
Jenkins,	Phipps,	Wasbers,	
Kline,	Sassaman,		

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 628, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred eighty-six) entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand population one thousand dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and fifty thousand and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for services of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor The said poor directors shall have power to employ an attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper not however exceeding the rate of twenty-five dollars per month The population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of each director of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships boroughs and cities situate wholly within any county of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

In such poor districts containing one hundred thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand population seven hundred and fifty dollars in such poor districts containing one hundred and twenty-five thousand population and not exceeding one hundred and forty thousand population one thousand dollars and in such poor districts containing one hundred and forty thousand population and not over five hundred thousand population fifteen hundred dollars

The salaries herein fixed shall be in full in lieu of all other compensation for service of directors of the poor excepting traveling expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties or in the performance of any service office or duty imposed upon the directors of the poor The said directors shall have the power to employ and attorney at such rate of compensation as they shall deem proper not however exceeding the rate of twenty-five dollars per month the population of poor districts for the purpose of this act is to be ascertained and determined at any time by the most recent United States census

Section 2 That all acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed Provided That this act shall not repeal the act entitled "An Act amending an act entitled 'An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one hundred and fifty thousand population' approved the eighth day of June one thousand nine hundred and seven by providing for compensation according to population and granting power to employ counsel" approved the third day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 638 (House Bill No. 799), entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 639 (House Bill No. 852), entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organied and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem
	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 643 (House Bill No. 384), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court criers and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,

Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
			Pres. pro tem

NAYS—1.

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A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, in the absence of the Senator from Adams, Mr. Beales, I ask that Senate Bill No. 662, on third reading, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 671, entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Schantz,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,	
Hackett,	Miller,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 675, entitled

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the 1st day of January, 1896, within or without the State of Pennsylvania, between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act, where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage, notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed, and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sones,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—1.

Jenkins,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 676, as follows:

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth providing for a review by the courts of common pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and the filling of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the fire marshals

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth shall have the following powers

To enter at all reasonable times and inspect all buildings within the counties in this Commonwealth wherein they are appointed and where it is found that any of the same are dilapidated and hazardous endangering life and adjoining property from fire the same are hereby declared to be a nuisance and the fire marshals of such counties shall order the same repaired if the hazardous condition can be corrected but if not then he shall order the said buildings removed within a reasonable time thereafter Said notice of removal shall be served upon the owner or occupant of said building which service for the purposes herein shall be sufficient

To enforce all laws ordinances and rules now in force or which may hereafter be enacted for the storing of all explosives oils gasolines and all inflammable and explosive materials and to enforce all laws ordinances rules and regulations now or hereafter enacted or adopted within said counties regarding the erection construction and repairing of buildings as the same concerns the elimination of fire hazards

To regulate and prevent the overcrowding of all public places where large numbers of people congregate and if any such places is dangerous and a menace to life and property to order and close the same

Section 2 If any person feels aggrieved by any order of any such fire marshals for the removal or correction of any such nuisance such person may within five days after such order is given file his petition in the courts of common pleas of the proper county praying a review of such order by said court whereupon a stay of the enforcement of said order may be granted if the court so determines but said person filing said petition shall be required by said court to give a good and sufficient bond to be approved by said court in an adequate amount conditioned for the faithful and prompt prosecution of said case and the payment of all costs that may accrue thereon whether such order is affirmed modified or reserved The court shall dispose of such petition as soon as possible either with or without a jury trial as the law in the opinion of said court requires

Section 3 When by order of any such fire marshals or upon directions of the court of common pleas as aforesaid affirming or modifying any order as aforesaid it is directed that such a nuisance as aforesaid be removed or corrected and the owner or occupant neglects and refuses to comply therewith or to actually commence correction or removal thereof as directed for a period of ten days after notice that said order has become final as aforesaid then and in such case such fire marshal shall have the right to apply by petition to the court of the common pleas of the proper county for an order directing the owner or occupant thereof to comply with said order within forty-eight hours thereafter and on default thereof the said owner or occupant as the case may be shall be considered in contempt of court for violation of the decree and order of said court and may be imprisoned by direction of said court until he is purged of such contempt On failure and refusal of an owner or occupant to comply with the said order instead of proceeding as heretofore in this section set out any of said marshals may apply to said common pleas court for an order directing and ordering that said nuisance be abated and removed or corrected whereupon the cost thereof shall be charged to and paid by the county commissioners of the county wherein said nuisance had existed

Section 4 When by any order of any such fire marshals or when an order is affirmed or modified by the court as herein set out a nuisance is directed to be removed or corrected and the owner or occupant thereof fails and refuses to fully comply therewith within a reasonable time after notice then such owner or occupant shall be deemed guilty of wilfully keeping and maintaining a nuisance detrimental to life and property and fined not more than fifty dollars and not less than twenty-five dollars for each day such refusal continues

Section 5 Such fire marshals through their said several solicitors shall file a lien in the courts of common pleas of the proper county for the cost of the removal of said nuisances as set out in section three of this act which lien shall be reduced to judgment as other liens are now reduced and when final judgment is obtained thereof the same may be prosecuted to sale and execution in the same manner as other judgments are now collectible

Section 6 It shall be the duty of all fire insurance companies doing business in said counties to report in detail immediately to such fire marshals every fire occurring in said respective counties and of which they are notified before any adjustment of said loss is made and upon failure to do so such fire insurance companies shall be liable to a fine of not more than fifty dollars and not less than ten dollars

Section 7 All fines and penalties due hereunder shall be collectible at the suit of the said respective fire marshals as other fines and penalties are collectible

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 677, entitled

An Act conferring upon the county commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal has been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals and to furnish necessary equipment, stationery and clerk hire therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 678, entitled

An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy and assistant fire marshals and to fix the salaries of the fire marshals and the deputies and assistant fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 679, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 680, as follows:

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the district attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective and assistant county detective and special county detectives defining their duties fixing their salaries and authorizing the payment of the same together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of "An Act providing for the appointment by the district attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective an assistant county detective and special county detectives defining their duties fixing their salaries and authorizing the payment of the same together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county" approved the fifteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven which reads as follows

Section 2 Said county detective assistant county detective and special county detective shall at all times be subject to the orders of the district attorney who may remove them or any of them at his pleasure filling vacancies so created as may be deemed necessary Said county detective assistant county detective and special county detectives shall not be entitled to receive any fees whatsoever but the county detective shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum the assistant county detective shall receive a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum and the special county detective shall receive a salary of one hundred and twenty-five dollars ($125.00) per month each together with all necessary traveling expenses which said salary and expenses having been verified by affidavit of the county detective assistant county detective or special county detective incurring the same and approved by the district attorney shall be paid out of the treasury of the county on a certificate issued by the district attorney directed to the controller of the county who shall order warrants for said amounts according to law be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 Said county detective assistant county detective and special county detectives shall at all times be subject to the orders of the district attorney who may remove them or any of them at his pleasure filling vacancies so created as may be deemed necessary said county detective assistant county detective and special county detectives shall not be entitled to receive any fees whatsoever but the county detective shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum the assistant county detective shall receive a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum and the special county detectives shall receive a salary of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) per month each together with all necessary expenses which said salary and expenses having been verified by affidavit of the county detective incurring the same and approved by the district attorney shall be paid out of the treasury of the county on a certificate issued by the district attorney directed to the controller of the county who shall order warrants for said amounts according to law

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,

DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Sones,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 681, entitled

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from five dollars per day to ten dollars per day.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—27.

Buckman,	Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Burke,	Eyre,	McKee,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	McNichol,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Patton,	Wasbers,
Dalx,	Lynch,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Sassaman,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—13.

Baldwin,	Leiby,	Snyder, P. W.,	Tompkins,
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sones,	Weaver,
Haldeman,	Schantz,	Sproul,	
Jones,	Smith, R. E.,		

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 683, entitled

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drink from public watering troughs and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 705 (House Bill No. 877), entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree ot the bill?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the bill, by adding to Section 9, as a paragraph the following:

"Nothing in this act shall be construed to repeal any of the provisions of an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' or the amendments thereto; nor to repeal any of the provisions of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled 'An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process, or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof,' or the amendments thereto."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 360, on third reading postponed for the present, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article five section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to abolish the office of associate judge not learned in the law.

be recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 243, as follows

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for election offices in cities of the second class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the act approved the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws one thousand and one) entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth county commissioners and election officers and clerks and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses" is hereby repealed in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 315, entitled

An Act amending sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, twelve and fifteen of an act, repealing section fourteen of said act, and supplementing said act, approved the third day of June, 1911 (Pamphlet Laws 658), entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal; defining his powers and duties; providing

for his compensation, and the maintenance of his office; giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority, and to review his orders; and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire-waste;" changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention; providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention, and fixing their salaries, fees, powers and duties; authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives inflammable and combustible products and substances; authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in connection therewith, and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner and officers under him, the power of police officers and constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants; and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fires; providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction, removal and repair of dangerous buildings, premises and property, and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases, from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority; requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act.

The first and second sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and fifty-eight) entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal defining his powers and duties providing for his compensation and the maintenance of his office giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority and to review his orders and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Governor of the Commonwealth shall within thirty days after the approval of this act appoint a State Fire Marshal who shall hold office for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified The State Fire Marshal shall be a citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall keep his office in the capitol at Harrisburg and shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand (5,000) dollars and in addition shall be paid his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of his office He shall give bond in the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars for the faithful performance of his duties" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there be and is hereby established a Department of Fire Prevention the chief officer of which shall be the State Fire Commissioner The Governor of the Commonwealth shall appoint the State Fire Commissioner who shall hold office for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified The State Fire Commissioner shall be a citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall keep his office in the capitol at Harrisburg and shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars (5,000) dollars and in addition shall be paid his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of his office He shall give bond in the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars for the faithful performance of his duties

Section 2 That section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 The State Fire Marshal shall appoint a chief assistant fire marshal who shall receive an annual salary of four thousand (4,000) dollars and a first and second deputy fire mrshal each of whom shall receive an annual salary of three thousand (3,000) dollars Each such assistant and deputy shall also be paid his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performnce of the duties of his office The State Fire Marshal shall also apoint one or more stenographers at an annual salary not to exceed one thousand two hundred (1.200) dollars each and such other clerks and assistants as may be needed at a cost of not exceeding three (3) dollars per day each In case of the absence of the State Fire Marshal or his inability for any cause to discharge the duties of his office such duties shall devolve upon the chief assistant fire marshal In case of the absence or inability for any cause of both the State Fire Marshal and chief assistant fire marshal their duties and powers shall devolve upon the first deputy and failing him upon the second deputy" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 The State Fire Commissioner shall appoint a First Deputy State Fire Commissioner who shall receive an annual salary of four thosand (4,000) dollars a Second Deputy State Fire Commissioner who shall receive an annual salary of three thousand (3,000) dollars and four Deputy State Fire Commissioners each of whom shall receive an annual salary of three thousand (3,000) dollars one of said Deputy State Fire Commissioners shall be an engineer versed in the construction of buildings and one shall be an expert in the manufacture and use of explosives and one shall be an electrical engineer The State Fire Commissioner may also from time to time appoint such State Fire Marshals as may be necessary and not to exceed forty in number Ten of said State Fire Marshals shall receive an annual salary not to exceed eighteen hundred (1,800) dollars each and shall be experienced investigators and the remaining thirty shall receive an annual salary not to exceed fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars each All of the officers designated in this section shall in addition to their salary be paid the actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of their offices The State Fire Commissioner shall also appoint a chief clerk at an annual salary of twenty-five hundred (2,500) dollars a statistician at an annual salary of two thousand (2,000) dollars one or more stenographers at an annual salary not to exceed twelve hundred (1,200) dollars each a messenger at an annual salary of eleven hundred (1,100) dollars and such other clerks as the work of the department may require at an annual salary not to exceed fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars each

The State Fire Commissioner and all the officers provided for by this section shall in the enforcement of this act or anything pertaining thereto possess all the powers of police officers and constables of the several cities boroughs and townships of the Commonwealth

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 That section three of said act which reads as follows

'Section 3 The chief of the fire department in any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district where such fire department is established or where no such fire department exists the burgess of any borough or president or chairman of the board of supervisors of any township or other municipality or incorporated district shall be by virtue of such office held by them assistants to the State Fire Marshal and subject to the duties and obligations imposed by this act and subject to the directions of the State Fire Marshal in the execution of the provisions hereof The State Fire Marshal may also appoint individual citizens as assistants who shall be subject to the duties and obligations aforesaid and to the directions of the State Fire Marshal Immediately upon taking office the State Fire Marshal shall prepare instructions to the assistant fire marshals and forms for their use in the reports required by this act and shall cause them to be printed and sent together with a copy of this law to each such officer in the Commonwealth" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The chief of the fire department of any county city borough township or town where a fire department is established or where no such fire department exists the burgess of any borough or town or the president or chairman of the board of supervisors or commissioners or constables of any township shall by virtue of such office held by them if appointed by the State Fire Commissioner be Assistant State Fire Marshals and subject to the duties and obligations imposed by this act and subject to the directions of the State Fire Commissioner in the execution of the provisions hereof Any such appointment may be revoked at the discretion of the State Fire Commissioner The State Fire Commissioner may also appoint individual citizens as Assistant State Fire Marshals who shall be subject to the duties and obligations aforesaid and to the directions of the State Fire Commisioner

The State Fire Commissioner may adopt and enforce rules and regulations governing the having using storage sale and keeping of gasoline naphtha kerosene or other substance of like character blasting powder gunpowder dynamite or any other inflammable or combustible chemical products or substances or materials The State Fire Commissioner may also adopt and enforce rules and regulations requiring the placing of chemical liquid gas fire extinguishers in buildings

The State Fire Commissioner may also adopt and enforce rules and regulations relative to the overcrowding of places of entertainment and amusement and all other places where people congregate in buildings

The State Fire Commisioner shall have full power to prescribe and direct the carrying out of all details and instructions which he shall deem requisite to carry out the provisions and purposes of this act and the act amended and supplemented hereby

On the question.

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 7, line 14, by striking out "mossioners" and inserting in lieu thereof "missioners."

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 That the fourth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 4 The assistants of the State Fire Marshal shall investigate the cause origin and circumstances of every fire occurring in this State by which life or property has been destroyed damaged or endangered and so far as possible shall determine whether the fire was the result of design or carelessness Such investigation shall be begun immediately upon the occurrence of the fire by the assistant in whose territory it has occurred and if it appears to the assistant making such investigation to be of suspicious origin the State Fire Marshal shall be immediately notified of such fact Every fire occurring in this State shall be reported in writing to the State Fire Marshal within ten days after its occurrence by the assistant in whose jurisdiction it occurred Such report shall be in the form prescribed by the State Fire Marshal and shall contain a statement of all facts relating to the cause and origin of such fire that can be ascertained the extent of damage thereof the insurance upon the property injured or destroyed and such other information as may be required Provided however That the duties to be performed by the assistant fire marshals or any of them may be limited by the State Fire Marshal so as to reasonably accord with their pre-existing public duties" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 Each of the aforesaid assistants shall investigate the origin cause and other circumstances of every fire by which any property or life has been destroyed damaged or endangered occurring within the territorial limits of their respective counties boroughs townships or towns and shall make every effort to determine whether such fires were of incendiary origin or the result of design carelessness or accident

Upon the occurrence of any fire such assistant shall report the same to the State Fire Commissioner within five days of its occurrence If it appears to the assistant making such investigation to be of such character and origin as shall require thorough and exhaustive investigation he shall immediately notify the State Fire Commissioner to that effect and shall when directed by the State Fire Commissioner assist in the making of such investigation The reports of any such fire shall be made in writing and in the manner and form prescribed by the State Fire Commissioner on the blanks furnished for that purpose Such reports shall in every case contain a statement of

(a) All the facts relating to the cause of such fire that can be ascertained

(b) The extent of the loss and damage to each property

(c) The loss of life and personal injuries caused thereby or resulting therefrom

(d) The amount of insurance upon each property destroyed or damaged and such other information as may be required by the State Fire Commissioner

The assistants shall notify the State Fire Commissioner at his office in Harrisburg immediately by telephone or telegraphic message of not more than ten words of the occurrence of any incendiary fire

The duties hereinabove prescribed to be performed by the said assistant may be limited by the State Fire Commissioner at his discretion when requested in writing so to do

Any of the aforesaid assistants who shall neglect or refuse to report to the State Fire Commissioner or to make reports or investigations of fires as provided in this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the court

The fifth section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 5 That the fifth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 5 The State Fire Marshal his deputies or assistants upon the complaint of any person or whenever he or they shall deem it necessary shall inspect the buildings and premises within their jurisdiction Whenever any of the said officers shall find any building or structure which for want of repairs or by reason of age or dilapidated condition or for any other cause is especially liable to fire and so situated as to endanger other property he or they shall order the same to be removed or remedied if the same is reasonably practicable thereby lessening the danger from fire Whenever such officer shall find in any building combustible or explosive matter of inflammable conditions which are in violation of any law or ordinance applicable thereto or are dangerous to the safety of such buildings thereby endangering other property he or they shall order the same to be removed or remedied and such order shall forthwith be complied with by the owner or occupant of such premises or building If such order is made by a deputy or assistant of the State Fire Marshal such owner or occupant may within five days appeal to the State Fire Marshal who shall within ten days review such order and file his decision thereof and unless by his authority the order is revoked or modified it shall remain in full force and be obeyed by such owner or occupant Provided however That any such owner or occupant who feels himself aggrieved by such order may within five days after the same has been affirmed by the State Fire Marshal file his petition with the court of common pleas of the proper county praying a review of such order and it shall be the duty of the court to hear the same at the first convenient day and to make such order in the premises as right and justice may require

"Any owner or occupant failing to comply with such order within ten days after said appeal shall have been determined or if no appeal is taken then within twenty days after the service of said order shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each days neglect thereafter The service of any such order shall be made upon the occupant of the premises to whom it is directed by either delivering a true copy of same to such occupant personally or by delivering the same to and leaving it with any person in charge of the premises or in case no such person in found upon the premises by affixing a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on the door to the entrance of the said premises Whenever it may be necessary to serve such an order upon the owner of premises such order may be served either by delivering to and leaving with the said person a true copy of the said order or if such owner is absent from the jurisdiction of the officer making the order by mailing such copy to the owners last known post office address The penalties herein provided may be recovered as debts are by law collectible in any courts having jurisdiction of the parties Such action shall be brought in the name of the Commonwealth under the direction of the State Fire Marshal or any of his deputies or assistants by the Attorney General or by any district attorney or legally constituted law officer of any county city borough township or other municipality who may be designated by the Attorney General or at the option of the Attorney General he may designate any attorney to bring such action" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 The State Fire Commissioner on his own motion or upon complaint in writing shall inspect any buildings premises or property which in his judgment require inspection The other officers named in this act shall likewise upon their own motion or upon complaint in writing inspect any buildings premises or property within their respective territories which in their judgment may require inspection and shall make such other inspections as are required by the State Fire Commissioner

Whenever the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies marshals or assistants shall find any building premises or property which for any cause or reason are especially liable to fire or in any way a menace to human life or shall find that any building premises or property are so situate as to endanger any other building premises or property or is so occupied that in the event of fire it would endanger human life or property therein the State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals shall order such building or buildings premises or property to be repaired and placed in a safe condition within such reasonable time as may be specified in said order

If the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies marshals or assistants shall find in any building or upon any premises any unnecessary accumulation of rubbish rags waste paper boxes chavings or any other inflammable material or any oil naphtha gasoline kerosene blasting powder gunpowder dynamite or any other explosive or highly inflammable or combustible material or shall find any other condition whatsoever which is a menace to human life or endangers the safety of any such building premises or property or shall find any obstruction on or about fire escapes stairs passageways doors or windows which would be liable to interfere with the free ingress or egress he or they shall order the same removed and conditions remedied within a reasonable time to be specified in said order

Whenever the State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or assistants shall find any building or buildings or any part thereof which for any cause or reason jeopardizes human life or constitute a fire menace and which cannot be removed by making repairs the State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals shall order said building or buildings or any part thereof to be demolished specifying in said order the reason or reasons therefor and also specifying a reasonable time within which said building or buildings or parts thereof shall be demolished and removed

All such orders shall be in writing and shall be made and served upon the owner life tenant lessee or occupant of such building premises or property or upon the agent of the owner life tenant lessee or occupant in the manner following

(a) By handing a true copy thereof to such owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent thereof or

(b) By posting a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on the said building premises or property and mailing a copy thereof to the said owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent thereof to their last known address In case no address is known or cannot be ascertained then in lieu of such mailing a copy of said order there shall in addition to the above mentioned posting thereof be handed a copy of said order to an adult occupant or to a person if any there be in charge of said building premises or property or to an adult member of the family

Any owner life tenant less occupant or agent upon whom any such order may be made or served by any of the deputies marshals or assistants may within five days from the service of said initial order appeal to the State Fire Commissioner by petition in writing setting forth succinctly under oath or affirmation the facts and reasons upon which said appeal is based whereupon the State Fire Commissioner shall review the facts upon which such order was made and the grounds or reason for such appeal and make his final order in writing within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of appeal by affirming revoking or modifying the original order The final order in such case shall be served upon the owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent in the same manner as the order hereinbefore provided The entire record in any such case shall be filed in the office of the State Fire Commissioner and shall be open to the inspection of the appellant or any person against whom the same may have been made

If the said initial order is affirmed or modified the same shall be complied with by such owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent named therein within the time therein specified

Any owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent aggrieved by any initial or final order of the State Fire Commissioner may appeal therefrom to the court of common pleas of the county in which the real or personal property in question is situate within five days after the service of any such order of the State Fire Commissioner Such owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent shall as a condition precedent to such right of appeal give notice in writing to the State Fire Commissioner of his intention to take such appeal Such notice of intention to appeal shall be given by mailing the same by registered mail to the office of the State Fire Commissioner in the City of Harrisburg

The appeal to the court shall be by petition under oath or affirmation setting forth succinctly the reasons for said appeal and there shall be filed with said appeal proof of service upon the State Fire Commissioner in the manner aforesaid of the said notice of intention to take such appeal A certified copy of such petition shall be mailed by registered mail to the State Fire Commissioner at his office in the City of Harrisburg on the same day upon which the said petition is presented and filed in court

Upon the presentation of such petition the court shall summarily hear and determine the reasonableness and lawfulness of the final order of the State Fire Commissioner **The appellant shall give immediate notice of the day fixed** for hearing in writing by registered mail to the State Fire Commissioner at his office in the City of Harrisburg The date of hearing as fixed by the court shall not be earlier than five days nor later than twenty days after the presentation of such petition Upon the presentation of such petition the court may suspend the order of the State Fire Commissioner pending the final hearing and order of the court upon the appellant filing a bond with surety approved by the court in an amount not less than one hundred dollars ($100) conditioned as the court may deem proper including however the condition that the appellant shall pay all the costs of such appeal in the event that the appeal is dismissed

The appellant at the time of the presentation of the petition shall have the right to demand by writing presented and filed with his appeal a trial by jury If the order of the State Fire Commissioner appealed from shall be of such a character that its enforcement would affect any rights of the petitioner concerning the determination of which a trial by jury is secured by the Constitution of the Commonwealth the court shall direct an issue to be framed to determine such matters and shall advance such case to the head of the next trial list of said court Pending any trial by jury and the final judgment thereon the court may enter an order suspending the order of the State Fire Commissioner in the manner hereinbefore provided in cases where no trial by jury is demanded

The judgment of the court of common pleas upon appeal affirming modifying or revoking the order of the State Fire Commissioner appealed from shall be final If the judgment is against the appellant or if the appeal is dismissed judgment for costs shall be entered against the appellant

Any owner life tenant lessee or occupant upon whom or upon whose agent any initial or final order of the State Fire Commissioner or any order of the deputies or assistants aforesaid shall have been served as aforesaid who shall neglect fail or refuse to comply with the terms of such order within thirty days after the service thereof or in the event of an appeal as hereinbefore provided then within thirty days after the final order of the State Fire Commissioner or the final judgment of the court as the case may be shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each day's neglect or be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the court

In case any initial or final order shall direct the repair or removal of any building or part thereof and the owner shall fail neglect or refuse to comply with such order then the State Fire Commisioner may cause such building to be repaired or demolished and the materials removed as the case may be at the expense of the owner or owners The initial expense of such repairs or removal shall be paid by the State Fire Commissioner out of funds appropriated for such purposes If the owner or owners shall thereafter fail neglect or refuse to pay the costs and expense thus incurred into the State Treasury within ten days from the receipts of notice of the amount thereof the State Fire Commissioner shall within sixty days from the date at which such notice is sent certify said costs and expenses together with twenty-five per centum penalty thereon to the prothonotary of the county in which said real estate is situate for entry as a lien against the property in question Such lien shall have priority to and be fully paid and satisfied out of the proceeds of any judicial sale of said property before any other obligation judgment claim lien or estate with which said property may become charged or for which it may become liable save only liens for taxes and municipal improvements and the costs of the sale and of the writ upon which it is made Said lien shall be revived and collected as municipal liens are now by law revived and collected and when the amount of said lien penalty and costs has been paid to or collected by the State Fire Commisioner he shall cause such lien to be satisfied of record and pay the proceeds into the State Treasury Provided however That no bona fide judgment claim or lien of record against such property prior to the date of approval of this act shall be affected by any lien filed pursuant to the provisions hereof

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move to amend section 5, page 11, line 16, by striking out the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or;" also in line 26, by striking out the word "thereof" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thereon;" also page 14, line 20, by striking out "asistants" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "assistants;" also on page 16, in line 7, by striking out "Commissionr" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Commissioner."

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 6 That the sixth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 6 The State Fire Marshal or his deputies in addition to the investigation made by any of the assistants may at any time investigate the origin or circumstances of any fire occurring in this Commonwealth The State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants shall have the power to summon witnesses and compel them to attend before them or either of them and to testify in relation to any matter which is by the provisions of this act a subject of inquiry and investigation and may require the production of any books papers or documents deemed pertinent or necessary to the inquiry and shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations to any person appearing as a witness before them such examination may be public or private as the officers conducting the investigation may determine

"No person shall be excused from attending before the said Fire Marshal or any of his deputies or assistants when summoned so to attend nor when ordered so to do shall he be excused from testifying or producing any books papers or documents before such officer upon any investigation proceeding or inquiry instituted under the provisions of this act upon the ground or for the reason that the testimony or the evidence documentary or otherwise required of him may tend to convict him of a crime or subject him to a penalty or forfeiture but no person shall be prosecuted or subjected to a penalty or forfeiture for or on account of any transaction matter or thing concerning which he may have been requiredso to testify or produce evidence documentary or otherwise and no testimony so given or produced shall be received against him upon any criminal investigation or proceeding If after any such examination the State Fire Marshal or any of his deputies or assistants is of the opinion that **the facts in relation to such fire indicate that a crime** has been committed he shall present the testimony taken on such examination together with any other data in **his possession to the district attorney of the proper county** with the request that he institute such criminal proceed**ings as such testimony or data may warrant**

"The State Fire Marshal or his deputies or his assistants may at all reasonable hours enter any building or premises within his or their jurisdiction for the purpose of making an inspection which under the provision of this act he or they may deem necessary to be made" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 6 The State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals in addition to any investigation made by any of the assistants may at any time investigate the origin or circumstances of any fire occurring in this Commonwealth The State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals shall have the power to summon witnesses and compel their attendance and to secure their testimony in relation to any matter which is by the provisions of this act a subject of inquiry and investigation and may require the production of any books papers or documents deemed pertinent or necessary to the inquiry and shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations to any person appearing as a witness before them Such examination may be public or private as the State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals conducting the inevstigation may determine Persons other than those required to be present may be excluded from the place where **such examination** is held and witnesses may be kept separate and apart from each other and not allowed to communicate with each other until they have been examined and false swearing in any matter aforesaid shall be perjury and prosecuted as such

No person shall be excused from attending before the said State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals when summoned so to attend nor when ordered so to do shall he be excused from testifying or producing any books papers or documents before such officer upon any investigation proceeding or inquiry instituted under the provisions of this act upon the ground or for the reason that the testimony or the evidence documentary or otherwise required of him may tend ot convict him of a crime or subject him to a penalty or forfeiture but no person shall be prosecuted or subjected to a penalty or forfeiture for or on account of any evidence which shall be given or produced by him under such requirements and

no testimony so given or produced shall be received against him upon any criminal investigation or proceeding

If after any examination the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals shall be of the opinion that the facts in relation to such fire indicate that the same has been of incendiary origin the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals shall be and are hereby authorized and empowered to arrest with or without warrant any person whose guilt of arson may be indicated by the evidence and shall be proceeded against as provided by law

Each witness appearing at any such investigation in compliance with a notice to attend shall receive from the Commonwealth through the said State Fire Commissioner such fees and mileage as are now allowed by law to witnesses in courts of record of this Commonwealth

Any constable or officer with police power who shall refuse or neglect to execute any warrant or subpoena issued by the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals or any person who shall wilfully hinder or obstruct the State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or assistants in the performance of their duties shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon the conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred ($100) dollars or suffer imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court

The State Fire Commissioner may employ from time to time one or more competent detectives when in his opinion it becomes necessary so to do Such detectives shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the State Fire Commissioner to be paid out of the funds appropriated to the State Fire Commissioner for such purpose

The State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or such assistants as may be authorized by the State Fire Commissioner in making inspections within their jurisdiction may at all reasonable hours enter any building or premises for the purpose of making such inspection Any owner life tenant lessee or occupant of said premises or any agent or representative of any person in possession thereof who shall refuse permission for such inspection or shall prevent or attempt to prevent entry for such purpose shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten (10) dollars nor more than fifty (50) dollars or undergo an imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the court

Section 7 That the seventh section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 7 Any witness who refuses to obey a summons of the State Fire Marshal his deputies or assistants or who refuses to be sworn or to testify or who disobeys any lawful order of the State Fire Marshal his deputies or assistants in relation to any investigation instituted by him or them or who fails or refuses to produce any books papers or documents touching any matter under investigation or examination or who is guilty of any contempt after being summoned to appear before him or either of them to give testimony in relation to any matter or subject under examination or investigation as aforesaid may be punished as for contempt of court For this purpose application may be made to any court within whose jurisdiction the contempt in question took place and for which purpose the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth are hereby given jurisdiction" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 Any person who shall refuse to obey a summons or notice of the State Fire Commissioner or his deputies or marshals to appear and testify or who when duly notified shall refuse to be sworn or to testify in relation to any investigation instituted by him or them or who shall fail or refuse to produce any books papers or documents touching any matter under investigation or examination shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty (50) dollars nor more than two hundred (200) dollars or to undergo an imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding three months or both at the discretion of the court

Section 8 That the eighth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 8 The State Fire Marshal shall keep in his office all records which may be sent him in accordance with law relative to the physical condition of buildings whether the laws and ordinances have been complied with so far as the same relate to fire protection records of application for fire insurance upon any buildings or other information relating thereto which may be sent him in compliance with law and shall also keep a record of all fires occurring in this State and of all the facts concerning the same including statistics as to the extent of such fires and the damages caused thereby and whether such losses were covered by insurance and if so in what amount Such records shall be made daily from the reports made to him by his assistants under the provisions of this act All such records shall be public except that any testimony taken in investigations under the provisions of this act may be withheld from the public in the discretion of the State Fire Marshal

"It shall be the duty of the State Fire Marshal to prepare blank forms for the furnishing of information by owners or occupants of buildings throughout the Commonwealth of the condition of such buildings with regard to fire protection The said blanks shall contain notice to such property owners or occupants of proper rules and regulations to minimize the danger of fire and to suppress fire waste and shall contain certain questions requesting information of a definite character to show the condition of the buildings as aforesaid These blank forms shall be furnished by the Fire Marshal to officers whose duty it is to receipt for taxes on real property in every part of the Commonwealth to be given by them to property owners together with their tax bills (two forms for each property) with the requirements that one properly filled out be forwarded to the State Fire Marshal at once for filing among the records of his office and that the other be so forwarded six months thereafter" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 8 The State Fire Commissioner shall keep and preserve in his office a record of all fires occurring in this Commonwealth and of all the facts concerning the same which seem pertinent and important including however in all cases statistics showing the extent of such fires and the damage caused thereby and whether such losses were covered by insurance and if so in what amount Such records shall be made daily from the reports made to him by his deputies marshals and assistants All such records shall be public except that any testimony taken in investigations conducted by the State Fire Commissioner or his deputies marshals or assistants may at the discretion of the State Fire Commissioner be withheld from the public

Section 9 That the tenth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 10 It shall be the duty of the fire marshal to prepare in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction books of instruction for use in the public and private schools of students of all grades with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and of the principals or other persons in charge of the various schools in this Commonwealth to provide for the instruction and training of pupils of such schools by means of drills so that they may in sudden emergencies be able to leave the school buildings in the shortest possible time without confusion or panic Such drills shall be held at least once a month when the schools are in session Books of instruction with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste as above specified shall be published at the expense of the State under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and shall be distributed in sufficient quantities for the use of the schools as herein provided and the curriculum of such schools shall include some regular and continuous study of such subjects during the entire school year" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 10 It shall be the duty of the State Fire Commissioner to prepare in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction books of instruction for use in the public and private schools of students of all grades with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and of the principals or other persons in charge of the various schools in this Commonwealth to provide for the instruction and training of pupils of such schools by means of drills so that they may in sudden emergencies be able to leave the school buildings in the shortest possible time without confusion or panic Such drills shall be held at least once a month when the schools are in session Books of instruction with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste as above specified shall be published at the expense of the State under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and shall be distributed in sufficient quantities for the use of the schools as herein provided and the curriculum of such schools shall include some regular and continuous study of such subjects during the entire school year The State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or assistants may at any time visit the schools in their respective district and as certain whether fire drills and instructions or fire prevention are being carried out If they find the same are being neglected they shall notify the district or county superintendent of such neglect and immediately report their action in writing to the State Fire Commissioner The State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals may at any time require fire drills to be held in any school or any other building they may be inspecting and shall note whether such drills are conducted in a proper manner and they shall note the time expiring between the sounding of the alarm and the exit from the building and make a report of the same to the State Fire Commissioner

Section 10 That the eleventh section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 11 The State Fire Marshal shall make an annual report to the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before the first day of February of each year setting forth a full report of the work of his office during the preceding calendar year including such statistics as he may desire to include therein He shall also recommend in his report such legislation if any as in his judgment may be desirable to further carry out the purpose of this law for the prevention of fire waste such recommendation shall include a draft of an act providing for the adoption of a standard municipal building code and a draft of an act providing for a standard fire insurance policy for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which drafts shall be reported on or before January first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen" is hereby ameneded to read as follows

Section 11 The State Fire Commissioner shall make an annual report to the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before the first day of September of each year setting forth a full report of the work of his office during the preceding year including such statistics as he may desire to include therein He shall also recommend in his report such additional or other legislation if any as in his judgment may be desirable to more effectually accomplish the purpose of this act

Section 11 That the twelfth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 12 The assistants of the State Fire Marshal not receiving a salary for the performance of public duties shall receive upon the audit of the State Fire Marshal fifty cents for each report of each seperate fire reported to the State Fire Marshal under this act and in addition thereto shall be paid the sum of fifteen cents for each mile traveled to the place of fire and in the discretion of the State Fire Marshal where an investigation has been made a sum not to exceed three (3) dollars for each day's service spent in such investigation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 12 The Assistant State Fire Marshal shall receive quarterly upon the audit and certificate of the State Fire Commissioner for each report of each separate fire made under the provisions of this act the following fees

In all cities boroughs towns or townships fifty cents (50c) for each fire reported

In addition to said fees each assistant located in a township shall receive the sum of fifteen (15) cents for each mile actually traveled to and from the place of the fire reported At the discretion of the State Fire Commissioner where an inspection or an invectigation has been ordered the assistant shall receive a sum not to exceed three dollars ($3.00) for each day during which he was necessarily employed in said investigation eight hours constituting a day In no case shall a report of a fire inspection or investigation be paid for unless the same shall be made out fully in the manner and form prescribed by the State Fire Commissioner under the provisions of this act

Section 13 The printing and binding deemed necessary by the State Fire Commissioner in the proper performance of the duties herein imposed shall be done by the State Printer upon order of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding upon requisition of the State Fire Commissioner

Section 14 Excepting as is herein otherwise specifically provided Every person who violates any of the provisions of this act or any rules or regulations of the State Fire Commissioner or who resists or interferes with any officer or agent of the Department of Fire Prevention in the performance of his duty in accordance with the said rules or regulations shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100) or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days or both at the discretion of the court

Section 15 That the fifteenth section of this act which now reads as follows

"Section 15 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 15 All acts or parts of acts general local or special inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

Section 16 The provisions of this act and the act to which this act is an amendment shall not be operative in cities having a population of five hundred thousand and over

Section 17 The State Fire Marshal now in office shall become the State Fire Commissioner provided for by this act and shall possess all the powers and be subject to all the duties and responsibilities imposed by this act and all other acts of Assembly in any manner relating to the State Fire Marshal until such time as he shall resign be reappointed or removed or his successor be appointed and has qualified

Section 18 That the fourteenth section of said act be and the same is hereby repealed

Section 19 it is hereby declared that this act and the act to which this is an amendment is necessary for the public safety health peace and welfare is remedial in nature and shall be construed liberally If any section or portion thereof of this act is declared unconstitutional such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this act

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act amending sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, twelve and fifteen of an act repealing section fourteen of said act and supplementing said act approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and fifty-eight) entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal; defining his powers and duties; providing for his compensation and the maintenance of his office; giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority and to review his orders and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste," changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention; providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention and fixing their salaries, fees, powers and duties; authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives, inflammable and combustible products and substances; authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in connection therewith and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner and officers under him the power of police officers and constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fires; providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction, removal and repair of dangerous buildings, premises and property and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority; requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 480, entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commisioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 5 It shall also be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon the death of any soldier sailor or marine who shall be buried within their counties under the provisions of this act to cause a headstone to be placed at the head of the grave of each such deceased soldier sailor or marine containing his name and if possible the organization to which he belonged or in which he served to be of such material and design as they may deem suitable and the expense for the same shall be paid out of the funds of the county in which said soldier sailor or marine died or shall have had his legal residence Provided however That the expense shall not exceed the sum of fifteen dollars for each headstone and the county commissioners of each county acting under this section shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of their county for the payment of said expense in favor of the party or parties furnishing such headstone" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 It shall also be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon the death of any soldier sailor or marine who shall be buried within their counties under the provisions of this act to cause a headstone to be placed at the head of the grave of each such deceased soldier sailor or marine containing his name and if possible the organization to which he belonged or in which he served to be of such material and design as they may deem suitable and the expense for the same shall be paid out of the funds of the county in which such soldier sailor or marine died or shall have had his legal residence Provided however That the expense shall not exceed the sum of fifteen dollars for each headstone and the county commissioners of each county acting under this section shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of their county for the payment of said expenses in favor of the party or parties furnishing such headstone And provided further That the county commissioners are hereby authorized to pay to any relatives or friends of such deceased soldier sailor or marine the said sum of twenty-five dollars for each headstone and the county commissioners of each county acting under this section shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of their county for the payment of said expense in favor of the party or parties furnishing such headstone

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 24, by striking out the word "said" and inserting in lieu therof the word "such;" also in line 28, by striking out the word "drawn" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "draw;" also on page 3, lines 16 and 17, by striking out the word "fifteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty-five."

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 588, as follows:

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors and providing penalties for the violation thereof"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section fourteen of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred sixty-two) entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto declaring false oaths by the subscribers to the misdemeanors and providing penalties for the violation thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 14 The said board shall have the power to reinsure any risk which they may deem necessary" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 14 The said board shall have the power to reinsure any risk which they may deem necessary but no such reinsurance shall be placed with any insurance company unless the same has been organized under the laws of this Commonwealth or unless such company is licensed to do business in the Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 667, as follows:

An Act requiring all counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district of this Commonwealth having authority so to do shall borrow money and issue bonds or other securities therefor except in the case of the giving of notes for temporary loans as may be authorized by law the authorities thereof shall sell the same to the highest bidder after public notice by advertisement once a week for three weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation published in the county in which such county city borough township or school district or other municipality or incorporated district shall be situated provided that no bid for such bonds or securities at less than their par value shall be accepted

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved April fourth, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act creating in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million, a Board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said Board, and regulating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that, where said Board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only, the president of the board, in case of a tie vote, shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the second section of an act approved July fourth one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight) entitled "An Act creating in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million a board to fix and determine the number compensation of employes in all county offices boards bureaus departments and divisions thereof prescribing the powers and duties of said board and regulating appeals from the decision thereof" which reads as follows namely

"Section 2 The said board shall meet from time to time when required by any county officer president or other executive head of any separate board or division whatsoever the number or compensation of whose employe is sought to be fixed and determined and shall forthwith consider and fix and determine the same in manner as they may deem best for the public service and such county officer president or executive head shall sit as a member of said board and be entitled to vote so long as the matter affecting his office is under consideration and no longer and a decision of the majority shall govern A full minute of all meetings of said board shall be entered in a bood kept for that purpose be and the same is hereby amended so that the said section shall read as follows to wit

Section 2 The said board shall meet from time to time when required by any county officer president or other executive head of any separate board or division whatsoever the number or compensation of whose employes is sought to be fixed and determined and shall forthwith consider and fix and determine the same in manner as they may deem best for the public service and such county officer president or executive head shall sit as a member of said board and be entitled to vote so long as the matter affecting his office is under consideration and no longer and a decision of the majority shall govern When the matter being considered by the board relates to the office of the county controller or county commissioners or whenever the board as constituted by this act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only the president or chairman of the board shall in case of a tie vote be entitled to an additional deciding vote

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out the word "July" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "April"; also page 2, line 11, by striking out the word "employe" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "employes."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved April fourth, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act creating in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said board and regluating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that where said Board as constituted said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only the president of the board in case of a tie vote shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, page 1, line 8, by striking out "regluating" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "regulating"; also in line 10, by inserting after the word "constituted" the word "by".

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 698, as follows:

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names styles or titles identical with or similar to the names styles or titles of State boards commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names styles or titles where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations and those of said State boards commissions or other activities

Whereas The existence in the Commonwealth of societies and associations incorporated as corporations not for profit with names styles or titles identical with or similar to those of State boards commissions or activities has led to a confusion in the public mind so that the recommendations and operations of said unofficial societies and associations are confounded with those of said official boards commissions or activities to the injury of the interests affected thereby therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any association or society shall apply to any court of common pleas of the Commonwealth for incorporation as a corporation not for profit under a name style or title identical with or similar to that of any State board commission or activity it shall be lawful for such State board commission or activity to intervene by petition as a party to such application and if upon the hearing of said application it shall appear to the satisfaction of the court that the use by such proposed corporation of the said name style or title will be calculated to lead to a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such proposed corporation and those of said State board commission or activity the said court shall refuse to incorporate said proposed corporation under said name style or title or any similar name style or title

Section 2 Whenever any association or society shall have been heretofore or may hereafter be incorporated as a corporation not for profit with a name style or title identical with or similar to the name style or title of any State board commission or activity the use of which name style or title by said corporation has in the opinion of said State board commission or activity led to a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of said corporation and those of said State board commission or activity it shall be lawful for the said State board commission or activity to present to the court of common pleas which incorporated said corporation a petition setting out the facts as aforesaid and praying that the name style or title of such corporation shall be changed so that the same shall not be identical with or similar to that of said State board commission or activity and if upon the hearing of said petition it shall appear to said court that the use of said name style or title by said corporation has been and is calculated to lead to a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of said corporation and those of said State board commission or activity or if it shall appear to the said court that for any reason the use by said corporation of said name style or title is undesirable and not for the best interest of the public then the said court shall order and decree that the said name style or title be changed to such name style or title not identical with or similar to the name style or title of the petitioner as the court may order and direct

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 700, as follows:

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a Committee of the Department of Labor and Industry and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Commissioner of Labor and Industry shall by joint conference with the industrial board and chief inspector draft a table of qualifications based upon experience and length of service and shall classify inspectors of the first grade in the Department of Labor and Industry into three classes designated as Class A Class B and Class C

Section 2 In Class A there shall be not more than twenty-five inpectors each of whom shall receive a salary of two thousand dollars ($2,000) per annum In Class B there shall be not more than fifty inspectors each of whom shall receive a salary of one thousand eight hundred ($1,800) per annum In Class C there shall be not more than twenty-five inspectors each of whom shall receive a salary of one thousand five hundred ($1,500) per annum

Section 3 No person shall hereafter be appointed as an inspector of the Department of Labor and Industry unless he shall have first passed an examination before the committee herein provided for in order to determine his qualifications and that he may be classified in one of the classes hereinbefore provided according to his past experience and ability

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 334, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education; and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February twenty-third, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures;" and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 335, entitled

An Act to amend section 2034 of Article XX of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," approved the 18th day of May, 1911, by authorizing and empowering the State Board of Education to make purchases and sales of real estate for Normal Schools purchased by the State.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 379, entitled

An Act creating a Bureau of Markets for agricultural products within the Department of Agriculture; providing for the appointment of a Director of Markets and for the administration of said Bureau; prescribing the powers and duties thereof; prohibiting marketing of such products contrary to the provisions of this act and prescribing penalties for violation thereof and making an appropriation to the Bureau hereby created.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 539, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act establishing a State Commission of Agriculture; defining its powers and duties, including its powers relative to the Department of Agriculture and the State Livestock Sanitary Board."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 539, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 702 (House Bill No. 612), entitled

An Act providing for the organization, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 703 (House Bill No. 633), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds; providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 749, entitled

An Act amending section three of an act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment; by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof' approved the twenty-fifth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen; by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days" by providing that the restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions, hotels and boarding houses.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 751, entitled

An Act relating to motion-picture films, reels or stereopticon views or slides; providing a system of examination, approval; and regulation thereof and of the banners posters and other like advertising matter used in connection therewith; creating in the Auditor General's Department a Commissioner of Amusements and providing penalties for the violations of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

RECESS.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for five minutes.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. TOMPKINS, from the Committee Judiciary General, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 303 (House Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Judicial Apportionment, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 729, entitled

An Act to provide for an additional law judge of the several courts of the Thirty-eighth Judicial District.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President. I move that the Senate do now resume consideration of Senate Bill No. 683, on third reading, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drink from public watering troughs and providing penalties.

Mr. CROFT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. TOMPKINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the bill in section 3, page 2, line 4, by inserting after the word "person" the word "knowingly."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until eight o'clock this evening.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 1.20 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday evening, April 3, 1917, at 8 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

MEMORIAL SERVICES ON THE DEATH OF HONORABLE CHARLES J. MAGEE, LATE SENATOR FROM THE FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

The Senate met at 8 o'clock P. M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. Charles H. Kline) in the Chair.

The PRESIDENT. This being the time fixed by the resolution for holding the memorial services on the death of Honorable Charles J. Magee, late Senator from the Forty-third District, the Senate will be in order and will be opened with prayer by the Chaplain.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis. offered the following prayer:

Our Heavenly Father, we are assembled here in special session to pay our tribute of respect to the memory of our beloved friend, Senator Charles J. Magee. His vacant chair reminds us that another resplendant star has been joined to the galaxy of Pennsylvania statesmen who have finished their earthly careers.

One of the most striking characteristics of the late Senator was his buoyant life. There was no limit to his energies. The intense thoughts of his mind, and the deep feelings of his heart always found accurate expression in his manly face and in his open countenance. If he erred, it was an error of the mind, not of the heart. He was not only our colleague in the business of State legislation. he was our companion, our friend and our brother. No ties of creed or race could separate him from the interests of his fellow-man. The Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man was the goal toward which he concentrated all his energies. We all respected and admired him for his courage, his sincerity, his powerful will and unswerving loyalty.

May the memory of his broad-minded large-hearted life be a source of comfort to his distinguished brother the other members of his family and his many friends. May Thy special blessings be with all our Senators and their families.

These favors we ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF HONORABLE CHARLES J. MAGEE, LATE SENATOR FROM THE FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

Mr. BUCKMAN offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

Whereas, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has removed from among us on March 13, 1917, our friend and colleague, the Honorable Charles J. Magee, Senator from the Forty-third District; and

Whereas, This body desires to enter its testimony in appreciation of the sterling qualities of our late member.

Therefore, Be it Resolved, That the Senate of Pennsylvania hereby records its high estimate of our late associate as a citizen, a legislator and a man;

Resolved, That in the death of Senator Magee the Commonwealth has lost one of its most prominent young citizens, the Senate a faithful and efficient member and we, his associates, an honored and trustworthy friend;

Resolved, That we tender to his family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in the great loss they have sustained;

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, signed by the President and attested by the clerk be sent to the family of the deceased.

CHARLES H. KLINE,
CLARENCE J. BUCKMAN,
WILLIAM M. LYNCH,
MARSHALL L. PHIPPS,
W. CLAYTON HACKETT,
WILLIAM S. McKEE,
EDWIN H. VARE,
JAMES P. McNICHOL.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, in rising to move the adoption of this resolution I do so with a heavy heart. Death has removed from our midst one of the most lovely young characters I have ever known. The late Senator Magee came into this Senate some years ago and at that time was the youngest man in this Senate. He came from a different part of the State than that from which I came and naturally as he was one of the younger members I was thrown into his company a great deal and I, like a great many of the younger members of this Senate, naturally took a great liking to him. He was devoted in his duties, faithful in his attendance in this chamber and at all times careful and considerate in his actions and in the treatment of the members of this body. He did not always vote as I did, Mr. President, but the fact that there were factional differences existing between us never made a particle of difference in our personal relations and I believe that to be true between him and every other member of the Senate. At times when factional strife would be at the high water mark I have seen him go up to other members of other factions and throwing aside the factional differences which existed engaged them in the most friendly conversation. He was one of the most active members of the Appropriations Committee, of which I have the honor to be chairman, and traveled throughout the length and breadth of this State and it was a beautiful sight to see the charity and sympathy expressed by this young man for the dependents of the state in the various institutions which we were called upon to visit. There were many characteristics in this young man's life which were most beautiful. Foremost to me especially was his character as a brother. I have never seen a more beautiful example of true brotherly love and devotion than existed between Senator Magee and his brother. They not only lived together, spent their time together and worked together, but they were friends in the truest sense of the word, and if there is a man in this chamber to-night who does not have a brother and he never had a brother he does not know the meaning of my words when I say I sympathize with all my heart with the remaining brother of this family in his bereavement. During the present session Senator Magee and myself and several other members of the Senate have been even more closely associated than we were at the previous sessions in that we occupied the same residence here in Harrisburg. This drew us together almost continuously and when the word came to us of the serious illness of our departed brother it was lake a pall upon the whole household. The Appropriations Committee was visiting in Erie when we heard of the serious illness of Senator Magee and from that time until after his death it was the constant wish and prayer of every one of us that he might be restored to health. We were, however, hoping against hope, for we know of his frail condition of health. I was told by one of his boyhood friends that he had a beautiful, happy death. In moving the adoption of this resolution, Mr. President, I do so knowing full well that this is the very least we can do at this time for our departed brother.

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President and Senators, it is a sad duty for me to be called upon to say a word to perpetuate the memory of a deceased Senator, for the most pleasing part of our service as Senators is the respect, kindness and good will that usually prevails among us.

Two years ago when I came here as a stranger and member of this Senate to serve my district and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I became acquainted with Senator Magee, now gone from our midst. I soon became acquainted with him because there was no aristocratic crust to break through. He was open to acquaintance and friendship on the dead level. I was attracted to him because I was reminded of a school boy friend a few years older than myself who enlisted in the Rebellion of '61-65 and lost his life leading his command in a gallant charge. This boy friend and soldier possessed in his make-up the gentleness of a child and the courage of a lion. So did my friend Senator Charles Magee, with his gentleness and courage, he also possessed that most valuable asset of a Real Man—integrity; for if he told a fellow Senator that he would do a thing, that settled it, the matter was done. He leaves to emulate us these splendid qualities—Integrity, Courage, Gentleness and Kindness and, let us say, like Tennyson's Brook, "Flow on, and on, forever." His youth, his splendid qualities, the prayers of his many friends could not save him in his last conflict. Charley has fallen, as we all must fall before the Great Destroyer, and so when I look upon his empty chair the flowers and draped desk, the lines in Gray's Elegy comes to me in pathetic tones "The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power, and all that beauty, all that wealth ere gave, await alike the inevitable hour. The paths of human glory lead but to the grave."

Mr. VARE. Mr. President and gentlemen of the Senate, this is certainly a very sad meeting when we come here in memorial service for the late Charles J. Magee. The first time I met Charlie Magee, as we all knew him, I had the same experience as our friend, Senator Stewart, had with him. He was easy of approach, gentlemen, in his nature, kind and willing to help every other one of the forty-nine Senators who sat here with him in this body, and above all other qualities I considered him a man in his splendid make-up, his stability and his work, and it seems to me, that of all the men I have met, both in this Senate, as well as the House, I never saw a young man frail and small in stature in every way, who had as much stability, who stood by his word as faithfully and as strong as Charlie Magee.

He was not only a splendid young Senator among Senators, but he was a splendid young man wherever he went. He used to visit my house occasionally and when he came into the house all the children would group around him, and wherever you find a friend the children warm up to and stay warmed up to that is one of the best tests of kindliness in a man's make-up. I do not know whether I can add much to what has already been said except to say that I am somewhat in the position of the late Charlie Magee's brother. I lost a brother in this Senate who had some of the good qualities which Charlie had and I certainly feel as Senator Buckman has said that it is a great pity when two brothers who thought as much of each other as these splendid boys did that they have to be separated, especially so early in life. Charlie Magee was always ready and always willing to help everybody around this hill, whether in the Senate, in the House or out of both. He always had a helping hand for everybody, for every man who needed help, and he did it with such a splendid spirit that you appreciated his help. He was a manly young man and I want to repeat that it is a great pity that he was taken from our midst practically when his life, under ordinary circumstances, seemed to be only half over.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I am sure that I would not be responding to the promptings of my heart if I missed this opportunity to-night to add my tribute of respect to the memory of Charlie Magee. The first day I became an

official member of this body I became acquainted with him, and from that day until he closed his eyes in death we were warm and devoted friends. He had not passed many milestones along the highway of life until he was compelled to lay down its burdens, its cares and its responsibilities and take that last long sleep in that Beautiful Island of Somewhere. As I knew him always in life, so I saw him in death, with that same smile on his face, unmindful alike of the stormy voyage or of the peaceful harbor or the shore of eternity. He was my real friend, as he was of many, many others for whom he had done a kind act, or given a word of cheer and comfort, and who knew and loved him. And if all his friends could but drop their flowers upon the tablets of his love and memory I am sure he would sleep on forever beneath a wilderness of roses. Among my varied experiences with men I do not believe I ever knew a young man who really and truly was more anxious to be of service to his friends than Charlie Magee. His heart was always true, his word and his promise were never broken. We have missed him in our Harrisburg homes. We have missed him in the deliberations and counsels of this distinguished body. And as we bade him a last farewell and laid him away for his last long sleep on yonder hill, we buried his faults on the sands and his memory is enshrined in every one of our hearts.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I can but inadequately express my thought at this time for two reasons: First, I have hardly words at my command; and second, the words that have already been spoken here to-night leave a somewhat choking sob in my throat. I would say to the delegation from Allegheny that Philadelphia extends her hand across this great Commonwealth to you, sir, and to you, fellow-members, in sympathy in the loss that Allegheny has sustained. Every word that has been spoken here to-night is true. He was honest, he was loyal; he treated every man in the Senate on the level. He did not bear the hypocritical smile, nor was he false enough to make you believe he was otherwise than just exactly as he was, honest and upright. I want to say to the Senator from Allegheny, Mr. Burke, that one of the last things that Charlie Magee said to me—and this typifies the man—he said to me: "Gust, I want you to do one thing for me, I want you to do a little favor for Senator Burke." I will not mention what it was, but he said, "It is only fair." That was the way he expressed himself and that is the way he went all through life, and I feel to-night if in memory we could sail along with him, it would be in a bark of love and that bark would be loaded down with flowers, every one of which would denote loving sympathy, and if we would go out to-night on to the Capitol steps and could pierce beyond the starlight of night, we would see Charles J. Magee in the kingdom of Heaven in the presence of God Almighty.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, in uniting to-night to pay tribute to the memory of our late loved colleague, we do so with aching hearts, and a full realization of the shadow of sorrow that hangs over the Senate Chamber.

The sense of loneliness, the feeling of depression as we see the vacant chair speaks more eloquently than the words of worth of the one who has gone.

Charles J. Magee was noted for his convictions. He hewed out his own course, and no sinister influence or power could ever sway him from that course.

Because of his honesty and his independence he was loved and respected. A young man, he was keenly alive to the interests of the Commonwealth, and the welfare of its people.

His mind penetrated not the surface, but the depth of all matters of public interest. His keen penetration, his clear perception, his astute judgement and his deep wisdom. His devotion to right, and his loyalty to the masses gained him an enviable reputation, and proclaimed him a statesman of whom Pennsylvania could well be proud.

It is hard to understand at times the divine purpose in things. We can only believe that all things happen for the best, but there is one truth we do know. A fact we do understand, and that is that through the hand of Death, the people have lost a friend, and the State a brilliant and gifted son.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, heart and mind are this evening engendering a contraversion of feeling, a feeling of sadness at the occurrance that brings us here at this memorial service, and a feeling of gladness that it affords me an opportunity to express the thoughts that I have indited.

"Charles J. Magee, Allegheny County. Term expires December, 1916."

That was the brief and modest autobiography he wrote for publication in Smull's Legislative Hand Book; but his words, not of himself, spoken in this chamber, his acts relating to his duties, his sterling manliness, and his never-failing kindliness and consideration for others have engraved upon our hearts the image of one of nature's noblemen.

As the unchangeable, irrevocable circumstance which has resulted in this meeting has borne home to us the realization that we shall see and know no more the face and form we know so well, and that the voice we have heard so many times is forever still, something rises within us and forces to utterance the child's lament, "Oh! While my brother with me played would I had loved him more."

The minute of his life and passing away, which we shall write into the history of our Commonwealth, can be but a paltry postscript to what he has in reality done for his State, as a member of this Senate, and as a man.

Notwithstanding all our grief, and all the desires to eulogize welling up within us, we are forced to a realization of their futility, and must bow our heads in begrudging acknowledgement of the implacable truth of those sublime words of Sir Thomas Gray,

> "Can storied urn or animated bust
> Back to its mansion call the fleeting breath?
> Can Honour's voice provoke the silent dust,
> Or Flatt'ry soothe the dull cold ear of Death?"

The flowers we sent, the words we utter, the minute we make, are merely the eminations of the sorrow we feel, and but tardy recognitions of our debt to him for being as he was.

We all recognized and valued his broad knowledge, his able statesmanship, his persuasive eloquence, his characteristic manliness, and his sterling integrity; but he has left to us, and to all who knew him, a far richer heritage in memories of him as one who comforted the sick, encouraged the downhearted and put sunshine into the hearts of all with whom he came in contact by his constantly cheerful courtesy and kindliness of thought, word and deed. We may be consoled in part by those, and by the feeling that "he who goes is happier far than those he leaves behind."

In what bright portion of the universe his noble spirit now rests, and what new form it may have taken, it is not given to us to know, because we can see only as through a glass darkly, but where'er he is—or how—we who knew him well here below do know that the character of Charles J. Magee needs no transfiguration.

Mr. HINDMAN. Mr. President, this is a very sad occasion for me, for the reason that I feel that in the death of Senator Magee I have lost one of my very warmest friends. From the time I came to the Senate in the session of 1915 until the time of his decease we saw a good deal of each other and I learned to love him almost like a brother. I feel that I can express my feeling best in regard to this by the following lines

> "He softly hurried out and shut the door;
> And all my soul with bitter anguish shook.
> I strive to pierce the darkness, o'er and o'er,
> 'Tis not for me to know the course he took;
> Yet biding here in grief I can but know
> That blue and kindly skies above him bend
> And whither he has journeyed I shall go.
> He was my friend.
>
> "One by one the Great-All-Father
> Gently lets his seasons fall,
> One by one the storm and sunshine,
> Cast their shadows over all.
>
> One by one we lose the hand grasp
> That so warm a welcome gave,
> One by one their voices silence
> In the stillness of the grave.
>
> One by one we miss the faces
> Of the forms we once cares't,
> One by one their names are written
> Ceased to labor, home, at rest."

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—49.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,
Beales,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beidleman,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Scnes,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Washers,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
			Whitten,

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 8.41 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, April 4th, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, April 3, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. S. G. Zerfass offered the following prayer:

Father, as the new day has come to us, we wait before Thee to get Thy blessing.

We would forget our past mistakes and sins, our past battles and struggles, our past sorrows and our regrets, therefore we ask for grace to live better lives, to honor Thee and bless the world.

We plead Thy promises and await the fulfillment of these promises, for the members of the House, the Speaker, and all of us.

We need Thy guidance and help at every step. We desire to live in the world as those who belong to heaven, carrying heaven's love in our hearts, and heaven's brightness in our faces.

Conscious of our weakness, we cast our lives with all their burdens of infinity upon Thee, and ask Thee to keep us.

Manifest Thyself in tender love to the poor, the rich, the tempted and those in sorrow's darkness. In our national affairs, may we be on Thy right side and secure Thy blessings and victory. Keep us from all evil and help us to do faithfully every duty. We ask all in the Redeemer's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Curry, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 1267.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine, section eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. HECHT. House Bill No. 1268.

An Act authorizing any city of the first class to acquire existing street railway transit facilities within such city or adjacent thereto and the franchises for operating the same by the exercise of the power of eminent domain; providing for the determination by The Public Service Commission, subject to appeal, of the amount of compensation to be paid for the properties and franchises taken; and empowering such cities to operate, maintain, use, lease, license or contract for the operation of the facilities so acquired.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1269.

An Act relating to the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the several orphans' courts in proceedings for the partition and valuation of real estate, and for the sale of real estate for the purpose of distribution, and the fees, costs and expenses therein.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1270.

An Act relating to the organization, jurisdiction and procedure of the orphans' courts, the powers and duties of the judges thereof, and appeals therefrom.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1271.

An Act relating to the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the orphans' court and the court of common pleas as to sales, mortgages, conveyances on ground rent, leases, extinguishment of ground rents, partitions, exchange, squaring and adjusting of lines between adjoining owners, consolidation and combination of mining lands and the leasing thereof, the joining by owners of undivided interests in making and taking conveyances in order to change the route or location of any right of way or passage over adjoining or other lands, and the subdivision of premises so as to command the highest price or greatest rents, and, for such purpose, the laying out or dedication of roads, streets, and alleys or the vacation of such as have not been accepted by the public authorities, where the court shall be of the opinion that such decree will be to the interest and advantage of all those interested, and where the legal title is held by minors, lunatics, habitual drunkards or weak-minded persons, a married person whose spouse is a lunatic or has abandoned him or her for one year or has been absent or unheard of for seven years, by corporations having no capacity to convey or by any unincorporated association, by any religious, beneficial or charitable society or association incorporated or unincorporated, and the title is subject to forfeiture if real estate is held in excess of the amount prescribed by its charter or by law, by a corporation or individual or individuals and is subject to a trust of any description whatever, by any person as to whom a presumption of death may have arisen, or any interest wherein is held by any person under legal disability to dispose thereof; where the legal title is an estate tail or is subject to the lien of debts of a decedent not of record, contingent remainders, executory device, or remainders to a class, some or all of whom may not be in being or ascertained; where estates shall have been devised or granted for special or limited purposes, where there is a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise, any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise, the time limited for its exercise may have expired, or any one or more persons required to consent or join in its exercise may be non compos mentis, have removed out of the state, have died, refuse to act, unreasonably withheld consent or be absent or unheard of; where there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or will and the necessary power it not given to the executor, devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance; where a trust has been created and no power conferred on the trustee to do any of the acts which the court is hereby empowered to authorize or confirm; and to the effects of such decrees.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1272.

An Act relating to the firm, execution, revocation and interpretation of wills, to nuncupative wills, to the appointment of testamentary guardians, to spendthrift trusts, to forfeiture of devise or legacy in case of murder of testator, to elections to take under or against wills, and to the recording and registering of such elections, and of decrees relative thereto and to the fees therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1273.

An Act relating to the qualification, jurisdiction, powers and duties of registers of wills, and regulating proceedings before said registers, and the costs thereof, the effects of their acts, and appeals therefrom.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1274.

An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the real and personal property of persons dying intestate, and to provide for the recording and registering of the decrees of the orphans' court in connection therewith and the fees therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SWARTZ. House Bill No. 1275.

An Act relating to the administration and distribution of the estates of decedents and of minors, and of trust estates; including the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties, liabilities, accounts, discharge and removal of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees, herein designated as fiduciaries; the administration and distribution of the estates of presumed decedents; widow's and children's exemptions; debts of decedents, rents of real estate as assets for payment thereof, the lien thereof, sales and mortgages or real estate for the payment thereof, judgments and executions therefor, and the discharge of real estate from the lien thereof; contracts of decedents for the sale or purchase of real estate; legacies, including legacies charged on land; the discharge of residuary estates and of real estate from the lien of legacies and other charges; the appraisement of real estate devised at a valuation; the ascertainment of the curtilage of dwelling houses or other buildings devised; the abatement and survival of actions and the substitution of executors and administrators therein, and suits against fiduciaries; investments by fiduciaries; the organization of corporations to carry on the business of decedents; the audit and review of accounts of fiduciaries; refunding bonds; transcripts to the court of common pleas of balances due by fiduciaries; the rights, powers and liabilities of non-resident and foreign fiduciaries; the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties and liabilities of trustees durante absentia; the recording and registration of decrees, reports and other proceedings, and the fees therefor; appeals in certain cases; and also generally dealing with the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the orphans' court in all matters relating to fiduciaries concerned with the estates of decedents.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. WALKER. House Bill No. 1276.

An Act amending sections eight and nine of an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred fifty-six), entitled "An Act providing a system of employment and compensation for the inmates of the Eastern Penitentiary, Western Penitentiary and the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon and for such other correctional institutions as shall be hereafter established by the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor; providing for the payment of certain sums to dependents of prisoners and permitting prisoners to draw moneys for present needs.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 1277.

An Act conferring upon poor districts the power to take land for the erection of buildings or for farming purposes; and providing a method for the ascertainment of damages in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 1278.

An Act to amend the act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game, within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of, such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of shotgun or rifle by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident, within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," by permitting the ownership and possession of rifles by certain unnaturalized foreign-born residents for certain purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. LAUCKS. House Bill No. 1279.

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 1280.

An Act fixing the salary of the Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WYNNE. House Bill No. 1281.

An Act to amend an act approved the tenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to carry into effect section five of article fourteen of the Constitution, relative to the salaries of county officers and the payment of fees received by them into the State or county treasury, in counties over one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, approved thirty-first March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, as amended by an act of eleventh May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and as further amended by act of second June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, providing for the salaries of county officers in counties containing over two hundred and fifty thousand and less than five hundred thousand inhabitants.' "

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 1282.

An Act to fix, regulate and establish the fees to be charged and received by constables in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 1283.

An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department for the reimbursement of the several townships within the Commonwealth for sums of money due said townships by the Commonwealth for the years one thousand nine hundred and ten and one thousand nine hundred and eleven, for the construction, maintenance and repair of township roads.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WHITAKER. House Bill No. 1284.

An Act to make valid acknowledgements and other notarial acts heretofore, or hereafter performed by notaries public in any state or territory of the United States, or any foreign country, and authorizing the recording thereof and the acceptation thereof in evidence.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 1285.

An Act to amend article six of the second section of an act approved the eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to regulate the issue of policies of insurance and certificates of inspection, made by steam boiler insurance companies, in all cities of the first class."

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL (By request). House Bill No. 1286.

An Act requiring coroners to make return of industrial accidents to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, and fixing their fees for such services.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 1287.

An Act to amend the third section of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors, and their enrollment as members of political parties, in cities of the first and second classes of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and their said enrollment as members of a political party a condition of the right to vote at primaries in said cities; and providing for the payment of witness fees for persons summoned before the commissioners; to provide penalties for violations of its provisions; and to repeal acts inconsistent therewith," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred seventy-seven), by regulating the compensation of the regisration commissioners.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. MITCHELL. House Bill No. 1288.

An Act to reimburse certain counties for rewards and bounties heretofore paid by such counties in good faith for the destruction of noxious animals and birds; and directing the Auditor General to draw his warrant for the payment of the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 1289.

An Act regulating the giving and delivery of trading stamps, coupons and similar articles in connection with the sale and purchase of goods, wares and merchandise, and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. DITHRICH. House Bill No. 1290.

An Act relating to the arrest, character of evidence, and punishment of professional thieves, burglars and pickpockets.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 1292.

An Act making an appropriation to the Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania to continue the work upon the Pymatuning Swamp Reservoir commenced under the provisions of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act providing for the erection of a dam at the outlet of Pymatuning Swamp, and the establishment of a reservoir to conserve the waters thereof; providing for the taking of land and materials necessary thereto; vesting certain powers and duties in the Water Supply Commission; and making an appropriation."

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 1293.

An Act to amend sections one and two of act act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act creating a division of municipal statistics and information in the Department of Labor and Industry, and fixing the compensation of officers and employes therein;" by providing for a bureau of municipalities; giving additional powers to such bureau, and fixing the compensation of the chief of the bureau.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 1294.

An Act relative to the incorporation or hospitals and charitable or eleemosynary institutions or societies in which indigent persons are treated or to be treated or maintained in whole or in part at public expense, and to the amendment of the charters thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 1303.

An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools, for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen; and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GOODWIN. House Bill No. 1304.

An Act to amend section twelve of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred seventy-six, entitled "An Act for the incorporation and regulation of banks of discount and deposit."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. GOODWIN. House Bill No. 1305.

An Act to amend the title of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act amending section one of an act, approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled 'An Act providing for the determination by the court of common pleas of the proper county of all disputes as to the reasonableness of the amount of license fees, between the municipal corporations and telegraph, telephone, or light or power companies;' extending the provisions thereof to street passenger railway, motor traction, gas, or water companies."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 1306.

An Act making an appropriation to the Topographic and Geologic Survey Commission of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of preparing and completing a topographic map or maps of the State, and to further carry into effect the provisions of the act authorizing the Topographic and Geologic Survey Commission to establish and maintain a topographic and geologic survey of the State, approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred nine.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1307.

An Act to amend sections six, seven, nine, fourteen, sixteen, seventeen, twenty and twenty-one of an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six, entitled "An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of the cities of the first class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, making violations of its provisions to be a misdemeanor, and providing penalties for violations thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1308.

An Act to amend sections two hundred and two, two hundred and seven, two hundred and fourteen, two hundred and fifteen, two hundred and sixteen, and three hundred and one, of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting the same, and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as far as to provide the number, election and organization of boards of school directors in school districts of the first class, and to provide for the expiration of the terms of office of existing boards of school directors in said school districts.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. BECHTOLD. House Bill No. 1309.

An Act to amend sections five and seven of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's compensation districts; and the appointment of the Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and the Factory Inspectors of the Department of Labor and industry, in enforcing the said act; and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and certain of their employes and assistants."

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 1310.

An Act to confer additional powers upon fire insurance companies.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 595 (House Bill No. 1295)

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings, partition proecedings, or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 282 (House Bill No. 1296)

An Act making an appropriation for the Dixmont Hospital for the Insane to make good the deficit in operation of said hospital to January first, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 333 (House Bill No. 1297)

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the police department in cities of the third class; providing for and regulating examinations; the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method for fixing compensation.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 382 (House Bill No. 1298)

An Act making an appropriation to John W. Eckenrode of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by an injury to his minor son James Robert Eckenrode, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 383 (House Bill No. 1299)

An Act making an appropriation to George W. Rice and Mary Fuller Rice, of Penn Township, Cumberland County, for loss sustained by the death of their minor son, Benjamin Rice, while lawfully driving along a State highway in Penn Township, Cumberland County.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill No. 592 (House Bill No. 1300).

An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 624 (House Bill No. 1301)

An Act dividing the Middle Coal-Field Poor District into four districts, and providing for the nomination and election of a director and auditor from each district and one director-at-large to be elected by the voters of all the districts; fixing the time when such nominations and elections shall be held and when those elected shall take office; providing for appointments and filling of vacancies; placing the affairs of the districts under the supervision and control of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon county; making it lawful to erect new or additional buildings for said district after the approval of the court of quarter sessions of Carbon County, and repealing certain acts.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 629 (House Bill No. 1302)

An Act classifying and extending the terms of office of councilmen in certain boroughs in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Coimmittee on Municipal Corporations.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE UNDER CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RELATING TO MILITARY TRAINING.

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time will name the following gentlemen to serve on the committee under Concurrent Resolution on Military Training: Messrs. Samuel A. Whitaker, Chester; Fred C. Ehrhardt, Lackawanna; John H. W. Simpson, Allegheny; William Davis, Cambria; Quintin O. Reitzel, Lancaster; Robert J. Graeff, Schuylkill, and Edgar R. Smith, Bedford.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as amended House Bill No. 479, entitled

An Act relating to drugs, regulating the possession, control, dealing in, sale, dispensing, distribution, prescription, trafficking in, or giving away of certain drugs, regulating the use of drugs in the cure of the drug habit; and providing penalties.

Mr. SAMPSELL, from the Committee on Game, reported as committed House Bill No. 1248, entitled

An Act requiring all persons hunting for game to wear red coats or red caps or hats, and providing penalties for violations.

Mr. SAMPSELL, from the Committee on Game, reported as committed House Bill No. 1249, entitled

An Act prohibiting state agents and employes from acting as guides to hunters and fishermen, and from boarding or lodging hunters and fishermen during certain periods of time; and providing penalties for violations.

Mr. MITCHELL, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as amended House Bill No. 1032, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings and elections of any town, township or borough held to submit and determine the question of becoming a city of the third class, held pursuant to an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, as amended by the act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and validating letters patent issued or to be issued in pursuance thereof.

Mr. SPEICHER, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 991, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the State Highway Commissioner to take over abandoned rights of way or any part or parts thereof owned or controlled by railroad or railway companies, for the use of the State Highway Department, for the purpose of locating or re-locating and constructing State Highways, and providing a method of acquiring the same.

Mr. STADTLANDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1147, entitled

An Act validating certain satisfactions of mortgages heretofore entered in good faith at the instance of the mortgagee.

Mr. DITHRICH, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as amended House Bill No. 689, entitled

An Act regulating the speed of motor-driven vehicles run on or over the public bridges of this Commonwealth, and providing the punishment for violations thereof.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 794, entitled

An Act to provide for the extradition of persons of unsound mind, and to make uniform the laws of the states which enact the same.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 853, entitled

An Act requiring the Commonwealth, and all counties thereof and all public institutions owned, managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof, to purchase supplies and certain materials from State correctional institutions; providing for the administration of this act by the Prison Labor Commission and others; and making it unlawful under certain circumstances for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or any County Controller or the Treasurer of any Public Institutions to approve any bill for such materials or supplies purchased elsewhere.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 921, entitled

An Act authorizing the Valley Forge Park Commission to release and quit claim to Thomas Cutler and Anna Marie Cutler, his wife, certain water rights at Valley Forge.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 94, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the sixth day of February, one thousand eight hundred four, entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York" (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five), by regulating the term and election of directors of the poor.

Mr. GANS, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed House Bill No. 1310, entitled

An Act to confer additional powers upon fire insurance companies.

Mr. SCOTT, from the Committee on Forestry, reported as committed House Bill No. 1237 (Senate Bill No. 573), entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1039 (Senate Bill No. 180), entitled

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHigh of Weatherly, employed as a game warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1205 (Senate Bill No. 491), entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1218 (Senate Bill No. 119), entitled

An Act providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended House Bill No. 1204 (Senate Bill No. 490), entitled

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

Mr. FRANK I. SMITH, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported with a negative recommendation House Bill No. 513, entitled

An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of poisonous fly paper or other poisonous fly killer, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1176, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment in cities of the first class of a house or houses of detention for witnesses and untried prisoners, for the commitment of such prisoners and witnesses thereto and for the payment of the cost of establishing and maintaining the same by the county wherein said cities are situated.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. McCAIG asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Wagner, for the balance of the week, on account of sickness.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO RULE NO. 39.

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up Resolution No. 12, on to-day's calendar, relative to Rule No. 39, and I ask that this resolution be acted upon immediately.

MR. RAMSEY IN THE CHAIR.

The SPEAKER. The resolution will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the resolution as follows:

Resolved That Rule number thirty-nine of House Rules of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly be suspended indefinitely

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, I move the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question.

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, I think you all appreciate what the suspension of this rule would mean. The suspension of this rule, as I understand the rules of the House, will mean that anybody who sees fit to come into the halls of this House so far as the rules of the House are concerned, will be at liberty to do so at any and all times. Now, it has been my aim and I believe it is the aim of a large majority of the members, and I hope of every member of this House, that we conduct the affairs of this State in our legislative council becoming with the dignity of an empire of ten millions of people. I cannot understand how any member of this House who is acquainted with the facts can hold that we are not entitled to at least two hours out of every twenty-four to meet here in proper order to discuss the affairs of our State. I do not believe that there is any member in the hall of this House whose feelings have been hurt as much as have been the feelings of the gentleman from Delaware who has been implored and beseeched to grant under this rule the privilege that your Chair has of admittance of any person to the hall of this House. That I have withheld from everyone because I know if I grant that privilege to one I can only be fair by granting it to all. Now, it is the desire of this House that we conduct the affairs of this great State in a manner that when any visitors attend this legislative body they will go away and say that this is a legislative body and not that they will say that it is a pandemonium—that it is worse than Pandora's box, with a hundred people talking and laughing and whispering all the time, and spreading the news abroad throughout the whole nation that the Legislature of the great State of Pennsylvania does not size up to its great duties. Now, I cannot say too much on this subject. I feel so keenly the responsibility that is in our hands and more especially so just at this time. It is my hope and my belief that every member of this House feels on this subject as I do. I am not pleading for this rule that it shall remain one of the rules of the House because of the power it gives me; I hope that you will consider me above that, but solely because it is my hope and my wish that every member of this House whether he sit in the fartherest seat in the rear or in the nearest one in the front that he may know and hear what is done and what is going on; so that he can hear when a roll is called; so that a member will know when his name is called, where it will not be possible in the noise and confusion for some one else to vote for him and in order that the rolls may be properly kept. Under this confusion nobody can be held responsible and I hope the House will continue enforcing Rule 39, and I pledge to do my part.

Mr. ADAM C. SCHAEFFER. Mr. Speaker, it was not my intention when I made this motion to cast any insinuation on the Speaker of this House, but I think when the Speaker of this House started to enforce this rule it was his intention to keep order in this House. I think it would have appeared to the Chair and to the members of this House that the people on the side-lines were not the ones who made the noise, but it was the members themselves. If the Sepaker had seen fit to enforce this rule this motion would not have been made, but there has been discrimination made. There have been some people allowed in here while other people have been kept out. We have had men back here to lobby in the interest of certain legislation although they are not supposed to be allowed in this House, and others are not allowed in this House. There are men who are sitting back here and lobbying in the interest of certain legislation and why are they allowed in here? Is that right? I leave it to the judgment of the members of this House. I ask you to support this motion.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I think most of the members realize how difficult it is with our doorkeepers here who are strangers to many of the members and are uncertain at times in regard to the men they admit, but I have talked with them and urged them to be careful, but for some reason some have gotten through. I have done and am doing all that is in my power and I hope that each and every member of this House will aid me in making it hard for anyone to get in, and for me to give this privilege to anyone. I am sure there is no one in this House that can say that I have granted this privilege in a single instance.

If anyone has gotten on the floor of this House it has been because I have been unable to prevent it.

Mr. THEODORE MORGAN. Mr. Speaker, I want to say in behalf of the members of this House in the back rows that before this rule was enforced the confusion and noise was so great that it was almost impossible to hear and you could not hear a bill called, and most of us failed to be able to hear the business that was going on in the House simply because of the talk and noise and confusion that was going on back of us. I don't say a word about the fairness or unfairness. I don't think there should be any discrimination shown or that any members should have privileges to which other members are not entitled, but I think that we should be able to attend to the State's business in a proper way.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Adam C. Schaeffer and Mr. Ehrhardt, and were as follows:

YEAS—42.

Arthur,	Franklin,	Morgan, T.,	Robertson,
Corbin,	Geary,	Murphy,	Ruddy,
Curry,	Glass,	Palmer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Davis, D. F.,	Helt,	Patterson,	Sinclair,
Dawson,	Horne,	Perry,	Snowden,
Donneley,	Malie,	Phillips,	Snyder,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Powell,	Thomas,
Dunn,	McKay,	Reichenbacker,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McNichol,	Reynolds,	Wynne,
Erdman,	Mehring,	Rich,	Zanders,
Fowler,	Miller, C. G.,		

NAYS—135.

Albee,	Fretz,	McCullough,	Siggins,
Aston,	Gans,	McCurdy,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Golder,	McKinney,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	McPeake,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Goodwin,	McVicar,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Graeff,	Mearkle,	Sones,
Bennett	Graham,	Mervine,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Michel,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Haight,	Miller, A. D.,	Sprowls,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Miller, Allan,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Hecht,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Milliron,	Stites,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hess,	Milner,	Stofflet,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Mitchell,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Hibshman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Musser,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.	Hollingsworth,	Neary,	Taylor,
Campbell, T.,	Hough,	Ogden,	Ulsh,
Canon,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Urich,
Chestnut,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Christman,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Ross,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Wells,
Dean,	Leary,	Rudisill,	West,
Dell,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Williams, G. W.
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Scott,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Mangan,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	Marvin,	Shattuck,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McArdle,	Showalter,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Shunk,	Speaker.

So the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON THIRD READING (SPECIAL ORDER).

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the ninth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to divorce."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, this is an act to repeal the act of May 9, 1913, with reference to divorce. In order that you may all understand the provisions of the act of 1913, I will briefly, without reading that act, outline it to you. It contains two sections, it is a very short act. Under that act in the first section, it provides that where the parties are married outside of the State of Pennsylvania and the cause of divorce occurs outside of the State of Pennsylvania, the libellant has a right to come into this State and make application for divorce; and it also provides that it is not necessary for the parties to be residents of the State of Pennsylvania. They may have their domicile outside of the State. The third reason is, that the respondent, or the defendant, as you might call him or her, is not personally served. In other words, they are served by what is called publication, no actual notice having been given except as printed in some newspaper provided for such purposes. The fourth objection to this act is this, that anyone desiring to obtain divorce in the State of Pennsylvania, need not be a citizen of this State, they need only to reside here for the period of one year to acquire a residence sufficient for them to make an application for divorce. Those, gentlemen, are the four objections to this act. You need not be a citizen, you need not have been married in the State of Pennsylvania, you need not have resided here during the course of the divorce or prior to that time, and the only thing you have to do is to come into the State of Pennsylvania, acquire a residence here for one year, have your subpoena served by publication and then obtain the divorce. I will state a concrete case to you, so that you will be able to appreciate the position of the practice.

Say A and B living in Ohio, are married in Ohio, and have children there. The husband, we will say, for some reason desiring to obtain a divorce, moves into Pennsylvania, and remains here for one year. He issues a libel in divorce which is returned, "No service." A subsequent libel is served, or subpoena rather, and it is returned "no service," then comes publication. After that publication his testimony is taken and his decree of divorce may be obtained. Now as to that decree in Pennsylvania, that divorce is good, but outside of Pennsylvania it is not good. If he marries afterwards, sir, contracts a subsequent marriage and moves to the State of New York, the children of that subsequent marriage are illegitimate, and they will not inherit any of his property. The children of the first wife can come in.

Now, gentlemen, it would seem that this is almost incredible. The reason of it is this: In Haddock vs. Haddock, 201 U. S. reports, page 562, Chief Justice White has handed down an opinion that a divorce decree where there is only publication, and no service, and no citizenship in the State, has no binding effect outside of that State. Gentlemen, that is a United States Supreme Court decision, and that is the law. We have in the State of Pennsylvania, and I want to cite for your information under the Act of 1913 a number of cases, we have Christmas against Christmas, 24 District Reports, page 349. That was an action commenced in the City of Pittsburgh. The parties had been married in Virginia. The wife moved into the City of Pitsburgh and obtained a divorce and the judge in handing down the decree in the City of Pittsburgh said, This divorce is not binding outside of the State of Pennsylvania, and the children born of a subsequent marriage are illegitimate, but the court cannot help it, the Legislature has made the law. Under the Act of 1913, this woman is entitled to a divorce, and it must be granted by the courts no matter how the judges may feel on such a subject. In Clark vs. Clark, 24 District Reports, page 475, they re-affirm that decision. Now, gentlemen, that is what this act provides of 1913. These are the legal reasons that I ask every member of this House who is a member of the bar to consider. On the legal reasons alone this act should be repealed, because it is to say the least unfair. When it was passed I presume it was passed for a special purpose. It has served its purpose, and I submit to you gentlemen, as a legal proposition, it is a disgrace to the statute books of the State of Pennsylvania. But there is a higher, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen, and a better reason, for the repeal of this act, and one I submit gentlemen, that must appeal to everyone in this House, and it is this; no man within the sound of my voice wants to assume the obligation of letting this statute remain upon the books of our State, if it is going to make illegitimate children out of subsequent marriages. Mr. Speaker, whether the parties are divorced knowing of the act of 1913 and the fire results that must come from it, or whether they are innocent of it is immaterial. In this case as in every other case, sir, the injury falls upon the innocent. Why, sir, it falls upon the innocent after born children, who know nothing of the circumstances, who can know nothing of the cir-

cumstances and who must suffer because of this price. I say, and I say it mildly, vicious legislation. I submit to you, Mr. Speaker, and I do not want to take up any more time of this House, I submit to you, sir, that this act, this act of 1913 is not beneficial to the citizens of our Commonwealth because we have no use for it. There are enough of divorce acts upon the statute books to give every man who desires, or woman, where there is a necessity for it, a divorce. I am in favor of divorce. I am not opposed to them, gentlemen, but we have enough acts of Assembly without having an act especially prepared for the purpose of those who live outside of the Commonwealth to come in and be benefited by that act, because there are citizens who take advantage of it, I submit, Mr. Speaker, that this act should be repealed, and I hope that the members will vote for its repeal.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, we are not here to legislate for the State of New York, or for the State of Ohio, or any other State of the United States. We are not here to legislate for the Federal Courts of the United States. We are here to legislate for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We are simply here to legislate for the benefit of the people of this Commonwealth, and the force and effect of what we do cannot go beyond the boundary lines of our State.

Unfortunately, the distinguished gentleman who sponsors this bill has not altogether correctly quoted to you from the Act of 1913, which this bill, now before you, seeks to repeal in its entirety. The Act of 1913 has given nothing new in the divorce law of Pennsylvania, and it has given no jurisdiction to the courts of this State where it has not existed at any time prior to the passage of the act. All that the Act of 1913 did was this: To provide that in cases where a man or a woman could not be found within the jurisdiction of our courts anywhere within the State, and where they could not be found in any other State of the Union so that notice might be given to them of a proceeding commenced and pending in our courts of justice, that we do the next best thing we can, and that is give them notice by publication. What does that mean? It means that when a man or woman files his or her complaint in the common pleas courts of the State and asks for a separation in the nature of an absolute divorce, that the service of the writ or subpoena or invitation to come into court, if this cannot be made directly upon the person charged, it must be returned by the sheriff N. E. I., which means "cannot be found." After two efforts by the sheriff in endeavoring to find the party charged in the libel,—two returns of N. E. I.,—then the sheriff is ordered to publish once a week for four weeks in several newspapers in the county where the suit is pending, provided for that purpose, a notice to the effect that such a suit has been commenced. After the proper lapse of time a master is appointed by the court to hear the case. This master must again in duty bound hold first of all in cases of this character what is known as a preliminary meeting. He is charged under the rules of court and under the statute laws of this Commonwealth, to make every possible honest effort to locate the man or woman charged in the complaint, it matters not whether they reside in some foreign jurisdiction or some other county of this Commonwealth, and it is clear that here whatever of evil, whatever of abuse ever creeps into the administration of our law is made possible. And I openly charge now on the floor of this House, conscious of the responsibiltiy that I may assume by doing it, that the burden of doing what is right, the burden of giving equal justice and fair play, is not upon this legislative branch of government, but upon the judges of the Pennsylvania courts. I say that the repeal of this Act of 1913 would work a great hardship upon honest and innocent people who are entitled to the equal protection of our laws. Take this case for example: You have a sister, born and raised in the State of Pennsylvania, and in the course of time she becomes acquainted with a citizen in the State of Ohio; they journey to the State of Ohio and take up their home in the state of Ohio, and after a period of a little time, something goes wrong with their marital affairs. That man whom your sister has married deserts her. She does not know where he has gone and he has left her penniless, perhaps with a brood of children around her, with no protection under the laws, and she comes back to you in the native State of Pennsylvania. She is here five years, she is here ten years, the years pass by over her head, and she becomes grey, yet under the repeal of this law we are to say to that unfortunate woman, that because she cannot find the loafer who deserted her and left her penniless, that the doors of justice of this Commonwealth are forever closed to her.

I want to say to you that the bill now before you emanates from a few men who are active in what we call the Law Association of Philadelphia. They held a meeting some months ago for the purpose of considering the act of 1913, and they had just twenty-one members present, notwithstanding they called a special meeting to consider this subject. Out of the twenty-one men present, eleven voted to recommend to this Legislature the repeal of the Act of 1913, and ten of them voted against it. Now twenty-one men, Mr. Speaker, do not by any means represent the bar of Philadelphia, numbering as it does over two thousand men. The bar of Philadelphia is almost unitedly opposed to the repeal of this act, and I state to you in all fairness that even some of the judges who have been asked to report upon this subject—I do not say all, I say just a few of them—have this to say on the subject, and I am going to read is because it is most significant to the subject before you: "There are no doubt honest cases where it would be a hardship not to have such a statute"—think of it, gentlemen—"there are no doubt honest cases where it would be a hardship not to have such a statute, but they are overwhelming outweighed."—by what? Not by what has happened, but by its possibilities for evil. These men who are so much afraid that you are going to drag down the fair name of this Commonwealth, that you are going to establish in Pennsylvania the Reno of the East, the open door to divorce, legislation and decree, forget the eternal justice of things as they are writ, that equal protection of the law which every state should hold forth to the citizenship thereof.

It may be that some man may come from the state of New York, or some woman from Ohio, simply and solely for the purpose of living one year in the State of Pennsylvania and thereby pleading a citizenship in order that he may be enabled to file a complaint in the courts, and it is the duty of the courts to pass upon questions of that sort, it is the duty of the courts to investigate this man and woman and see whether they have founded a residence in the State of Pennsylvania, or have simply come here for the purpose of establishing a residence to get a divorce. My contention, gentlemen, is this, that it never pays to pull down the whole house simply because spout leaks. It does not pay to put an injustice on the case of a deserving man simply because a crook now and then gets the benefit by reason of the lax administration of justice in our courts. There is nothing under the Act of 1913 which denies to each judge, an honest judge, a careful scrutiny into the jurisdiction of the cases before him. It is for him to investigate whether or not a man or woman standing before the bar of the court has in fact an honest citizenship in this Commonwealth.

We owe it to ourselves, we owe to the citizenship of this State, that we stand against this effort to repeal a purely wholesome law which can do no harm unless those who are charged with the administration of justice see fit to allow some one to do the harm that we are trying to legislate against.

Mr. McVICAR. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, the question before you to-day is whether the Act of 1913 should be repealed or not and I take it we are in the same position as if that bill came before us which was before the House of 1913. If that act should have been before us, if we acted on the affirmative of that bill, or we would act on the affirmative of that bill, then we should vote against this bill to-day, but if we believe the Act of 1913 is a bad piece of legislation then we ought to vote in favor of its repeal today. I am one of the number that believe that the Act of 1913 should never have been put on our statute books and therefore that the Session of 1917 should repeal it.

Now that act has been anaylzed, but it seems to me it is important for the House to know it just exactly and keep in mind what this Act of 1913 contains and, although it has been stated before, I will attempt to repeat again so that we may get clearly before our minds what the Act of 1913 is. The Act of 1913 provides that the several courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth may grant a divorce for any causes now existing by law or which

may hereafter be made a cause where four things concur. Note these four: Where the parties were married without the State of Pennsylvania; second, where the cause of divorce occurred outside the State of Pennsylvania; where the parties were domiciled at the time the cause of the divorce arose outside the State of Pennsylvania; and, fourth, where the service is made by publication only. Now, that statement in itself may not seem plain and I also wish to specify a concrete case so that you may get before your minds how this act may be applied and how it is applied. A man and woman are married in the State of Wisconsin, where they live at the time. They lived there awhile as husband and wife. The husband thinks a cause of divorce has arisen and he leaves the State of Wisconsin and comes to the State of Pennsylvania. He goes into one of the interior counties, an inland county, and after residig there one year he makes an application for divorce and by service of publication a hearing is held and he gets his divorce, and he gets that dicorce, bear in mind, although the wife lived in the State of Wisconsin, never was within the State of Pennsylvania. The cause of divorce arose in the State of Wisconsin and she never had any notice of the proceedings in the Pennsylvania court because bear in mind, a notice in a paper in one of the inland counties is not going to convey a notice to the citizens of the State of Wisconsin.

Now, what is the result of such a condition as that? The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has said in two cases that the State of Pennsylvania will not recognize as good a divorce like that granted in any other State in this country; and the Supreme Court of the United States has already stated, has said that that divorce has no effect under the United States constitutional provisions providing for full faith and credit to the judgments and decree of the various states outside the State where the decree is granted, and that is for the reason that the courts did not have jurisdiction over the parties only by service by publication and the parties themselves did not reside within the State.

Now, let us look at the effect, or the consequences of this Act of 1913 in its application. That husband comes from Wisconsin to Pennsylvania and supposing he marries the second time in Pennsylvania. His marriage is legal in Pensylvania, but if he goes outside of Pennsylvania he is a bigamist and he is an adulterer. The second wife, the wife that he married in Pennsylvania, is his legal wife in Pennsylvania, but she is not his legal wife in any other State in the Union. Suppose children should come of that marriage in Pennsylvania. They are legitimate children in Pennsylvania but they are illegitimate in every other state in the Union; and it will affect their property rights as you also see. Now I am one of the number that believe that the State should recognize the marriage relation as a sacred one. I believe that there are causes for divorce which ought to be recognized, but I believe that the State of Pennsylvania should not throw down the bars, should not make a procedure which is unfair to the parties and to the State, and I believe that when the Legislature enacted that Act of 1913 they put up in the same class as Nevada and some other states which recognize easy divorces. I believe that the Act of 1913 is bad. I believe it should be repealed. Judge Evans, one of the ablest judges in Allegheny County, when this Act of 1913 was before him, was asked to declare it unconstitutional because it was against the public policy of this State. He says, "I cannot do it;" but he added this, in his opinion, speaking of the consequences, he says, "These are circumstances which it is not pleasant to contemplate by any court as probable results of its decree." And then, speaking of who is responsible for this condition of affairs, he says this: "But as I view the law at this time, the responsibility for that situation is not with this Court but with the Legislature. The Legislature has directed this Court to take jurisdiction of this case and the responsibility for that is with the Legislature."

Now, if this House thinks that divorces should be granted under conditions existing in this Act of 1913, we ought to vote against the bill that is before us but if we believe divorces should not be granted under those conditions then we ought to vote in favor of the bill.

Allow me to say one thing in reply to the statement made by the gentleman from Philadelphia: If this Act of 1913 is only declaratory of the law as it existed before that time there was no necessity for the Act of 1913, but if it did enlarge the jurisdiction, and Judge Evans and other judges say it did, then I say to you, that to that extent it at least went too far and it ought to be repealed.

MR. GOODWIN IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I will agree with the gentleman from Allegheny County and Mr. Reynolds from Philadelphia County, insofar as the divorce laws of Pennsylvania should be remedied, but don't concur with them in the repeal of the Act of 1913. Were this a positive law before this legislative body at this time codifying the subject of Divorce so that the members of this Legislature could vote intelligently on the proposition and know as to what would then be the law in the State of Pennsylvania I would perhaps be in favor of such a codified bill. But this is simply a repealing act. The Act of 1913 was, to come extent, a bill declaratory of existing laws. It gathered together in size and form what had been the decisions of several courts in the Commonwealth, perhaps not all of them entirely clear, as there was considerable doubt as to what was the Divorce Law of this State, and if this Act of 1913 was repealed there will be considerable doubt as to what the Divorce Law of the State of Pennsylvania exactly is. From the arguments which have been advanced on the floor of this House it would seem that the Act of 1913 is the only divorce act on our statute books which is responsible for the present situation of affairs. This is not the case. Under the acts recognized prior to 1913 the courts of New York have refused to recognize divorces granted in the State of Pennsylvania. Children of marriages have been declared to be illegitimate, and property rights have not been recognized prior to 1913. There has been argument introduced as to family rights in this State. We are here legislating for the people of Pennsylvania and not the residents of Wisconsin, Ohio, New York or any other state. Personally, I am in favor of a national uniform divorce law, but we want to understand what the Divorce Law is and until such time, until we have such a uniform Divorce Law, I am in favor of permitting the Pennsylvania law to remain as it stands at the present time.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, this is particularly a lawyers' bill and I want to put it before you in that way because I want to attempt to clarify the situation so that no dust may be thrown into your eyes. It is not whether it remains on the Statute Books or is repealed in any wise. The bill is substantive of the rights of divorces. In granting divorces it is clear that the courts of the State of Pennsylvania have opposed this Divorce Law and the Act of 1913, and this only clarifies and simplifies and makes uniform a practice as it existed prior to the passage of this act in 1913. My good friend from Philadelphia, the sponsor of this bill, knows very well that when this question came up before the Committee on Judiciary General, it was threshed out and very carefully considered and that there were a number of the members of the Law Association of Philadelphia who attended that meeting and admitted that the Act of 1913 which this bill seeks to repeal did not in any wise affect nor change any of the former acts or statutes as relating to divorce. The only thing that the Act of 1913 did do and which we should say that it certainly continues to do, by voting against this bill, is this: Prior to the Act of 1913 each county judge acted at his discretion as to whether or not certain given stated facts should be given on which divorce should be granted in that county. I remember talking in 1915 to a member of this House, who is now the Mayor of the City of Erie, Mr. Miles B. Kitts, who was author of this bill in 1913. I was told of a divorce that occurred in Erie County where the woman ran off to Toronto and she could not be served with papers in Erie County, and the judge was opposed to granting a divorce and the man had to go over to Crawford County, just thirty miles away, and get his divorce there. This statute of 1913 simply allows every county court the right to grant divorces under these facts. Up to 1913 each county court was a law to itself.

Mr. STERLING. Mr. Speaker, if the repeal of the Act of 1913 makes no change in the laws, as seems to be agreed by both those who favor and oppose the passage of this repealer, then certainly we must turn to some other reason than the standing of that eminent association, the Law As-

sociation, in its favor to the repeal of this bill. The men who preceded me both for and against this bill have covered the legal phases well, but there are two other features in connection with the repeal of the Act of 1913 which should be brought to the attention of the members of this House. First, and probably foremost, by virtue of the contents of the decision of the United States Court, Haddock against Haddock, this act as it stands works a false pretense upon all the persons that make themselves parties in divorce action. For this reason, that if divorce is granted under the provisions of this Act, it has no effect in any other State in this Union except in the State in which it was granted, Pennsylvania. Does it appeal to your fairness and to your sense of justice that this great and dignified State of Pennsylvania should place itself on record among the other States of the Union as being a place where divorces may be granted under such false pretense. I say to you gentlemen the next reason why this repealer should pass to-day is because it has the effect of placing upon the outposts and boundaries of this State signs advertising or publications for divorce "good only in Pennsylvania." My friend and colleague, Mr. Beyer, has stated to you some of the effects of your system, but gentlemen that comes as statistics will show, that in the past four years since this Act has been on the Statute Books, the courts of Pennsylvania have been granting divorces to people who have never lived here, to people who are not citizens here on marriages that have never been performed here.

In other words, people have come from New York, from Jersey, from Delaware, even from Ohio and Maryland, simply for the purpose of taking advantage of our lax divorce laws. Will you men who are here representing the State of Pennsylvania, and not as my friend Mr. Beyer has said, throw the burden on the courts, and permit this to continue. I say no. I say to you gentlemen, that by your voice in this matter here to-day, you should in one accord vote down this repealer.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I want to say just one word in regard to this question. I have been on the floor once and I do not wish to consume the time of the House, but I want to make clear for the benefit of those who are not lawyers this: Under the act of 1913, we find the following language; "that the several courts of common pleas shall have jurisdiction in any action in divorce, for any cause now or hereafter allowed by law, notwithstanding the fact that the marriage of the parties and cause of divorce occurred outside of the Commonwealth." Now that is not a new thing, that is in all the prior legislation of the State. "And that both parties at the time of the occurrence of said cause domiciled outside the Commonwealth," that is not a new thing, that is in prior legislation of the State. "And that the respondent has been served with the subpoena only by publication." Now to that extent the law makes a change in the previous law, and I will tell you why. Under the law prior to the act of 1913, unless you got personal service of the papers on the party charged in the libel, you as a party to the suit, would not be allowed to testify to anything in court except to the fact of your marriage, the merits of your case had to be established by witnesses outside of yourself. This act makes it possible by publication to do what prior to the act had to be done by direct notice, it gives to the libellant, be he a man or a woman, the right to be heard on the merits of his case, whether the other party is actually served with papers or whether it is by publication

Now just this one point in conclusion. We do not make divorce, and the courts do not make divorce, the parties to a marriage contract if they live unhappily with each other, make their own separation, all that we can do is to recognize a condition as it exists, and declare whether or not the party to a contract is entitled to the relief he or she pays for, and surely if we do this thing by honorable means as we have always done, there cannot be any injury by allowing the act of 1913 to stay on the books.

Now, so far as making this State a Reno for divorces is concerned. They tell you that the act of 1913 is a disgrace to the Commonwealth, that we are granting so many divorces that it is a shocking shame to the whole United States. Now I have had the figures handed to me just a moment ago, from the courts of Philadelphia. We have a population of 1,800,000 people in the City of Philadelphia alone, and during the year of 1916, there were only 1,596 applications made for divorce. Out of those, only 482 decrees were actually granted. Does that look as if we were establishing a Reno in Philadelphia. I am sure if we have no Reno in Philadelphia, the largest city in the State you surely are not going to have a Reno in some of the smaller cities of this Commonwealth, because I take for granted that a man or a woman is less likely to establish a residence in some small city than he or she would in a larger one. I think that is a sufficient answer to this argument about the shocking shame of this divorce act of 1913.

Mr. STERLING. Mr. Speaker, inadvertently in the closing statement of my talk a moment ago I asked you to vote down the repealer, I wanted to say that I would have you vote down the condition as it exists under the act of 1913 and vote "aye" on the repealer.

Mr. J. O. CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, in my opinion the act of 1913 is a disgrace to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The provisions of the act of 1913 have been detailed to you, and I shall just briefly call to your attention the fact that they come under two heads. The first has to do with the competency of witneses to which the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Beyer, referred a minute ago. I want to call the attention of the House to the fact that by the act of 1913 the parties to a divorce proceeding are made competent in this case for all purpose, and therefore the competency provision of the act of 1913 is taken care of in the enlarged provision for competency in the act of 1915, so that so far as that provision of the act of 1913 is concerned the repeal will have no effect. The question that we have at issue is entirely a question as to whether we shall authorize in statutory form the service of the processes of divorce procedings by publication. I shall call your attention to the fact that the basic divorce llaw of this State was passed in 1815, and that that was amended in 1850, '54, '55, '93, and so on, and that in none of those acts is there any provision for the service of processes by publication upon a non-resident of this State, but it remained for the act of 1913 to completely let down the bars and open the doors of this State to the four corners of the world. In 1913 all divorces could be placed in three classes. The first class comprised those cases in which both parties are residents of this State. The act of 1913 did not effect this class. The second class consisted of such cases in which one of the parties had been a citizen of this State, had married, and removed from this State, where that party found it was impossible to continue in the marital relation, and moved back to this State, That class of cases will not be hindered or interfered with by the act of 1913. We have been led by some of the statements to infer that that would take place. The illustration of the case of your sister is not in point, because your sister, if she had been a citizen of Pennsylvania, married and removed to another State, and came back to Pennsylvania, would be entitled to a divorce under the act of 1913, and to repeal this act would have no effect upon her conditions. That was a step in advance, and it was done out of chivalry for the protection of our own citizens. Th third class of cases consisted of those in which neither of the parties had been a citizen of the State, and provided that the subpoena in divorce could be served by publication. Publication where? A small notice in a city paper read by none save the proof reader, or a notice in a country newspaper with a circulation not extending beyond the borders of the State.

Mr. Speaker, the boast of Anglo-Saxon jurisprudence has always been that every man has his day in court. The genius of our system of jurisprudence and its greatest boast is that no man can take the property of another by judgment or decree without notice. If a man makes a contract with you, if a man owes you money, and he is without the State of Pennsylvania, you can get service upon him in one way only, and that provides service upon some one in possession of his property in this State, upon the supposition that that person will notify him of the proceedings; and yet in the most sacred contract which we have, that contract upon which the basis of our civilization depends, the sanctity of the home, we provide for a separation, or annulment, of that contract without knowledge being brought to the one party most vitally concerned in the matter. Now there are states in this Union which are not as liberal in the causes for divorce as our State. Citation has been made of them. I have a letter in my desk from New York State, in which the parties desiring a divorce, unable to get that divorce under the laws of the State of New York, and thinking they may be able to get

it under the laws of this State, desire to come in here and set up a residence for one year and apply for a divorce. I know not the circumstances of the case, I know not if it is a just cause for divorce. I do not know but what the man, leaving his home-maker,—the mother of his children, —because of a temporary infatuation for some young girl, desires to come over here without his wife having knowledge of the circumstances without an opportunity to contest that divorce, and wishes to obtain the same and break off the marriage contract with her. There are some glaring inconsistencies in our law. Reference was made to the two cases in Pennsylvania, in which the courts refused to recognize the divorces granted under such circumstances, in other states. In those two cases the parties were married in this State, the respondent in each case going to Nebraska, where he obtained a divorce, his wife having no knowledge of the application. In the one case the man returned to this State and our courts refused to recognize the validity of that divorce. In the other case the man remarried without this State, he had children, and died, and our courts refused to recognize the validity of that divorce. One of these children is living to-day in this State and under the decree of our courts is illegitimate. It is true in 1913 there was some difference of opinion in the lower courts as to the jurisdiction in cases of this kind, and some ofthe courts, under a legal technicality, took jurisdiction of the cases where the respondent was without the State but many of the courts refused. This case was never appealed, the question never definitely settled. It is true that the Act of 1913 simplified that question, but I submit to you that any question is undetermined, which is determined in the wrong way. In view of the case of Haddock vs. Haddock, I doubt very much if these courts to-day would take that jurisdiction. It has been suggested there were a few cases in which there has been hardship, and the unhappy lot of such has been depicted. I suggest where there has been one case of hardship worked where a party cannot obtain a divorce, there have been many cases in which the divorce should not have been had. I believe that we should rise in our manhood and blot from the statute books of this State this attack upon the sanctity of the home, and that we should protect the innocent wife, and that innocent wife of the second marriage, and those children of the second marriage. You may consider that the question of illegitimacy makes no difference but I say to you that in walking the streets of this Commonwealth with the brand of illegitimacy upon her, whether justified or not, no matter what her character and attainments are that girl has a blot that never can be removed. The giver of the Divine Law, on Mt. Sinai, inserted the provision, "Show mercy unto thousands and thousands that love me and keep my commandments" but society on the question of legitimacy has seen fit to follow the other provision, the strict letter of the law, "visiting the iniquity of the father upon the children unto the third and fourth generation." I appeal to the present Legislature, now having the opportunity, that we may by one fell stroke blot out the iniquity of this unlimited divorce and remove the stain from the name of our fair Commonwealth.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—68.

Arthur,	Drinkhouse,	Lohr,	Ruddy,
Aston,	Dunn,	Malie,	Rudisill,
Benchoff,	Fackler,	Marvin,	Showalter,
Bennett,	Franklin,	McCurdy,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Goodnough,	McKay,	Spangler,
Brady,	Haight,	McVicar,	Speicher,
Brumbaugh,	Hecht,	Mehring,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Helt,	Michel,	Vickerman,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Miller, A. D.,	Vogdes,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Miller, Allan,	Walker,
Cook,	Horne,	Morgan, T. J.,	Walter,
Corbin,	Hough,	Ogden,	Wells,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Palmer,	Whitaker,
Curry,	Jack,	Patterson,	Wickman,
Davis, D. F.,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Lanius,	Reynolds,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Rich,	Wylie,

NAYS—111.

Albee,	Fretz,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, E. R.,
Aron,	Geary,	Milliron,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Glass,	Milner,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Mitchell,	Smith, L.,
Barner,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gormley,	Murphy,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Musser,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Neary,	Sprowls,
Black,	Gransback,	Perry,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Phillips,	Stern,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Powell,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Ramsey,	Strauss,
Canon,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Taylor,
Christman,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Thomas,
Crosby,	Leary,	Rininger,	Ulsh,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Urich,
Dawson,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Wallace,
Dell,	Maurer,	Ross,	Weimer,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Rothenberger,	West,
Drake,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Erdman,	McPeake,	Scott,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Flynn,	Mervine,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Fowler,	Miller, C. G.,	Siggins,	Speaker.

Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the bill falls.

BILL ON SECOND READING (SPECIAL ORDER).

The SPEAKER. This is the hour fixed by special order for the consideration on second reading of House Bill No. 1198 (Senate Bill No. 104).

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1198 (Senate Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the superintendent and deputy superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the approval of this act the superintendent and deputy superintendent of the Department of State Police and the officers and enlisted men of the State Police Force and their salaries shall be as follows

A Superintendent of State Police at six thousand dollars ($6,000) per annum

A Deputy Superintendent of State Police at three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500) per annum

Four captains each at twenty-four hundred dollars ($2,400) per annum

Four lieutenants each at eighteen hundred dollars ($1,800) per annum

Four first sergeants each at thirteen hundred and fifty dollars ($1,350) per annum

Sixteen sergeants each at twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum

Thirty-two corporals each at eleven hundred dollars ($1,100) per annum

Two hundred and seventy privates each at ten hundred and twenty dollars ($1,020) per annum

Section 2 That the officers and enlisted men of the State Police Force shall receive an increase of sixty dollars ($60) per annum during continuous service after two years and an additional increase of sixty dollars ($60) per annum during continuous service after four years Provided this section shall not apply to the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. J. O. CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, line 9, by striking out the word "six" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "four."

Amend section 1, line 10, by striking out the figures "$6,000" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "$4,000."

Amend section 1, line 11 and 12, by striking out the words "three thousand five hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand eight hundred."

Amend section 1, line 12, by striking out the figures "$3,500" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "$2,800."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 1, by striking out the words "twenty-four hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 2, by striking out the figures "$2,400" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "$2,000."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 3, by striking out the word "eighteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "seventeen."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 3, by striking out the figures "$1,800" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "$1,700."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, I trust that this bill will pass in its original form and without amendments. You cannot make a silk purse out of a cotton rag. You cannot expect to get first class men on this police force and to maintain the standard of this force up to the point of higher efficiency unless you are willing to pay salaries that are commensurate with this work.

Major Groome, the Superintendent of the State Police force, has since 1905 received an inadequate and insufficient salary of three thousand dollars a year. There is no other chief of a department in the State of Pennsylvania who has ever done so much for the State of Pennsylvania as Major Groome has done and who has received so small a salary. But Major Groome is patriotic. He has worked for the benefit of the State although he has been assured from time to time since 1905 that his salary would be increased. The members of the State Police force, under the Act of 1911, were increased thirty-three per cent. but Major Groome's salary was not increased. I lay special stress and special emphasis upon Major Groome's salary because I take it for granted that the other salaries in this bill, the salaries of the sergeants, corporals and captains, will not be changed. The captain's salary in this bill is practically the same as the captain's salary in the regular army, but there is one thing that we must consider in respect to the personnel of a State Police force, and that is the high order of talent, the high order of duty that they are called upon to perform. It cannot take an ordinary man to do this duty. An ordinary soldier that has graduated from one or two enlistments in the regular army is not competent to perform the work of the State policeman of Pennsylvania. He must not only be a soldier, he must not only have an A No. 1 character, but he must have a high order of intelligence, and he must be highly and expertly trained in detective work; and that is the reason why we should give these men what they are worth. Simply because Major Groome has received three thousand dollars a year for the past twelve years, for which salary he has made the State Police a model body, not only in the United States but in the whole world—I have seen large pictures and accounts of the State Police of Pennsylvania in the London Graphic, and I have seen commendatory accounts otherwise; and so, gentlemen of this House in coming before you and asking you to vote down these amendments I ask you to do this at a time when Pennsylvania needs an efficient police force. We cannot afford to take a chance of losing these men at a crisis like this. Where can we secure their like or get men to take their place in this crisis if they leave? We know not. We pass laws, many of them increasing the salaries, and we say nothing about it. Why, only last week we passed an act giving the county treasurers an addition to their pay in counties of less than a hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, amounting to about one thousand dollars a year, and not a word said about it; and yet the county treasurer in counties of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants receives a salary of anywhere from five to six thousand dollars a year. Compare Major Groome's salary, compare the other salaries with the salaries of our other departmental heads and their assistants and see how insignificant they are in comparison.

Now, gentlemen of the House, I call on you in the name of patriotism to uphold this bill in its entirety. It is not a bill to give to any man money that he has not earned. It is not an attempt to pilfer the State Treasury, but it is an effort to give to these men, who sacrifice their lives and imperil their lives in the duty of the State, who are called upon to perform services of the greatest value to the State and who at this time, when war is about to to be declared, are demanded and in their original integrity and in their original body, and I therefore ask you in the good name of the State of Pennsylvania and in the name of justice and in the name of the interests of this measure to vote down these amendments and vote for the bill.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were not agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the first section?
It was agreed to.
The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

Mr. MAURER. Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House, this is the regular old constabulary bill that we have been having at our regular sessions for the past eight years.

For the benefit of the younger members who are here at the sessions for the first time, I wish to state, that, as the gentleman from York stated a while ago, in 1911, during that session, there was a bill introduced to increase the salaries of the policemen and officials. That particular bill also included Major Groome. The bill was defeated the first time it was considered on third reading. About a week later they moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill fell and it was reconsidered; then the bill was laid over about three weeks on the postponed calendar and we have had a taste of what we call the log rolling. It was my first experience in this Assembly as a member and in those three weeks there were enough members of the Assembly convinced to pass the increase at that time and it passed. That was in 1911. In 1913 a bill very similar to this one came before the Assembly for more increases, a larger department; that bill was defeated, came up for reconsideration, was reconsidered and a motion to postpone was defeated and the bill then came before us for final action and was again defeated. In 1915 a bill similar to this one, providing for increases and for one hundred and twenty more men instead of one hundred as this bill provides. The bill was defeated; was moved to reconsider and carried and was then moved for postponement in order to give the members time to be lined up. The postponement was defeated and the bill was then stricken from the calendar. Now, that gives you a fair history of the past activities along the line of the State Police.

I am not surprised that the friends of the State Police have put up a campaign this time such as I never witnessed before to pass the bill now before you at this session. You have noticed perhaps, all of you, the activities of the press for the past six months. You have read editorials in your home papers and in the great dailies favorable to the State Police. I shall not attempt to take up your time to describe the different articles. I merely brought along a sample or two. Here is one, for instance (holding it up) look at that. The peculiar part of the reading descriptive of the pictures in this that it says here "One of the troopers on guard in the Panther Creek Coal Regions." My friends, there have not been any State Police in Panther Creek Valley for at least five years. Carbon County has not had any for that length of time. It looks good and make a nice appearance. Shows you how gallant they look and then talks about the Indian Trail going down the mountain. Look at it. It don't look like a mountain; it looks like a street, but it makes the impression.

That is the kind of stuff they are printing and have been printing for sometime, and here is another one from the Sunday morning Philadelphia Ledger of the 28th. There is a sketch here showing a lot of workmen there who look like criminals, and one State Policeman holding the whole crowd back. There is a lot of interesting matter. Some of it is true and some is not true. If I was going to write a eulogy of the State Police I could write a better one than that. However that has been going on for six months. Papers have been distributed through this House and through the New York State Assembly and in fact through every state assembly where bills referring to state police have been introduced. There are eighty-seven testimonials here from county officials in Pennsylvania. You will find in looking over this list thirty-seven district attorneys and a number of ex-district attorneys, a few sheriffs and some ex-sheriffs; county controllers and county commissioners and ex-county com-

missioners and clerks of county commissioners and clerks and ex-clerks of county controllers. There is one little testimonial supposed to be from the sheriff of Carbon County. Here is what he states of the subject: "They have been of great assistance; we could hardly get along without them." Signed William S. Smathers, Sheriff; but he is not the sheriff of the county. I spoke to Mr. Hart, the Sheriff, about it and he said, "Why didn't he print what I wrote about the State Police? It seems he is very particular about his testimonials. He printed only those which suited him." This is a large State containing sixty-seven counties. This volume contains the names of clerks and ex-officials as testimonials. He could get one from every sheriff and every district attorney. That is, he could get in the entire State, favorable testimonials from the county officials. If I were to take the same pains to go over the State to get condemnation I could have shown you many sheets many times larger than this. I merely refer to this to show you the campaign that has been waged for sometime. Even I, who has been known for some years as opposing this institution, have been approached by my own citizens asking me to lay down on this constabulary contest and let it go through, and if they do that to me I have every reason to suspect that they have been doing a great deal more with others. I have a friend in Reading who is an Irishman.

A MEMBER. What's his name?

Mr. MAURER. I will give you that in private if you want it. He happens to be very rich now. We were boys together and he is a millionaire now. He came to me and he says, "Jim, I have been requested to ask you if you would not give up your antagonism to the State Police." I told him that I would not. (Producing a number of books, some in pamphlet form). Here are some books and pamphlets: (Indicating) This one was printed by the Manufacturers' Association of Pennsylvania. This one (indicating) is provided by Captain Groome. This is another one, Major Groome's Report to the Governor in 1915. In the last session we didn't have any record to the Governor. He used the report made in 1911. This is the last report for the year ending 1915. (Indicating) Here is another record, a book issued by Major Groome in answer to the book of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, and here (indicating) is that book. This is the book that the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor got out and all of you were given a copy of it. I mention this to you and I should add also, in connection therewith, that this is the Manufacturers' Association book—this is the year book which extolled the virtues of the State Police at considerable length. In the meantime someone sent some people up here to solicit information on the State Police and they printed a book called "Justice to All." This is a large volume and a number of gentlemen on the other side of the House had it and I have read it, but they did not send me a copy of it. This bill sells for three dollars a copy. It is unfair and untruthful. In that book you will not find a line or a paragraph of what labor thinks about the State Police. In this book we are fair. We give both sides of the argument in this book. If you will read the speech of our Speaker, Mr. Baldwin, made two years ago and other representatives you will find that they are printed fairly and faithfully as copied from the Legislative Journal, yet these people refuse to us the same courtesy. Now as to the merits of the bill, Major Groome in his report says that the State Policemen have covered in one year six hundred and sixty-seven thousand miles; that is how much they traveled in one year. That looks big. I will admit. That looks as though they were on the job doing a lot of work, but when we look into it deeper we find out that each trooper covers just ten miles a day, and then it does not look so big. On the other hand they say here as to the amount of arrests they have made, three thousand and twenty-seven, but that boiled down is just about ten and a half arrests in a year, less than one arrest a month for each member. We find in Major Groome's Report of 1911 to the Governor that during the year ending 1909, that year they made three thousand, seven hundred and ninety-nine arrests.

Last year, the year 1915, 3,027 arrests, or 777 arrests less in 1915 than they made in 1909. Now that does not look as if they were having too much work, does it? If they could make 777 arrests more in 1909 than they made in 1915, I can't understand why they want more men. It don't look right, something does not dovetail.

They also go on to show those arrests are for real crimes that they have tabulated, but they only tabulate in reality 591. To prove in this article that it is not used as a strike-breaking institution, you will find when you look over his report more carefully he did not mention in 591 that he reports, he does not mention the 460 that were arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct, and that is usually the charge lodged against men when they are arrested in strike situation. You will find that there were 2,436 more arrests for charges that he does not stipulate. What were those that he did not stipulate? Those are the ones that are generally accused during strike situations.

Now friends and gentlemen of the House, I'm not going to tire you long, but I am going to make this fight to-day, and I am done with it. If you are going to defeat this bill, it must be defeated to-day, and not next Monday, and therefore I just ask your indulgence for a few minutes, simply because if you are going to pass this bill to-day you are going to pass it next Monday. Captain Groome or Major Groome, says that the State Police is not partial. We have conducted a hearing proving the charges I entered with Governor Tener that they were partial. In this little book the captain denies it. He says that the trial was held at Hazleton by myself and another union man. That is not true. The trial was held at the direction of Governor Tener by Captain Lumb of the Department of State Police, in the presence of other State police. It was Captain Lumb himself who conducted that trial in Hazleton, and in that trial we proved every charge we made.

He reiterates some of the charges and says we proved none of them. One of them was drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and conduct unbecoming an officer by members of the State Police. The same man that we made the charges against, one Trooper Hennig was afterwards relieved. We proved it, mark you, proved all of these charges, yet Major Groome as he styles himself, says we proved none of them. Here are the witnesses that he repudiated: Mr. Maurer was a witness; Andrew Matti, vice-president of the United Mine Workers; Neil J. Furry; W. F. Welsh, Stephen Postupak, William Fox, Gordon Harris, Abner Smith, Attorney; Lawrence Burns, all of these he said were moved out of prejudice, and their testimony should be accepted for what it is worth. A direct insult and slap against the honor and integrity of the people of Hazleton and McAdoo, among whom is the burgess of McAdoo. Another charge made by us against the State Police was that they paid strike breakers' fines when arrested. He explains that by saying that when he was arrested for using indecent language there was such a mob gathered around the policemen and the local policemen that the State policemen were afraid that the prisoner would be mobbed, and that then a citizen gave ten dollars to a State policeman and to avoid violence and disorder, the State policeman paid the fine of ten dollars. That is not true. At the hearing we proved that the Burgess himself, Burgess Fox, of McAdoo, was there and saw the offense committed. He ordered his Chief of Police to arrest the offender. He was taken to the city hall and there given a trial, and fined ten dollars and so far as disorder is concerned there was absolutely none. An hour later a State policeman came back and paid the fine. But the Major would have the people believe nothing of the kind. Gentlemen, the stenographic report of that hearing is on file with the Governor of Pennsylvania. You can get it if you doubt my word. I have a copy of that report in my office in the Commonwealth Trust Building and I will be pleased to show it to anyone coming down, or go to the Governor's Department, and ask for a copy of it, and see whether we do not prove every charge we made. We prove more than we really made, because of the twenty witnesses that came before us some of them told things that we did not know, therefore did not have them in our charge. He says there is nothing to it. Yet here I want to show you this. Here is this man Hennig relieved from the State Police, the man that we proved was intoxicated repeatedly, the man that we proved mingled among the citizens in civilian clothes and not only he, three or four other State policemen mingled with civilian clothes trying to provoke disorder, so much so, that the local police consulted council and ordered them to go about their business and not try to intimidate and provoke disorder in a serious situation. When the trolley

cars first started to run, the Mayor of Hazleton ordered his police not to allow any congregation in the streets, but to disperse all crowds and the local police obeyed orders. The worse offenders were the troopers themselves in civilian clothes and this we proved by the citizen police of Hazleton, and yet the Major would deny that and say that it was not true. Here is a newspaper clipping concerning this very man Hennig when he was relieved from the force, Hennig, a former sergeant of Troop B, State Police at Wyoming has been promoted to the captaincy of the Lehigh Valley Railroad police force. They took him up, apparently just the man just the kind of fellow they wanted. Gentlemen of the House and Mr. Speaker, I want to draw your attention to something more recent. I have here a clipping from the Public Ledger of Philadelphia. An interview from Major Groome criticizing those who opposed the creation of a State Police force in the State of New York in Albany. Saying that what they said was not true and he defied anyone to say that it was. If Major is in this hall, and I think he is, I want to tell you Major I am here to answer what you said that no one could answer. I am here to tell you men that every charge in that book which we published is true. I am a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly; I have been since 1911. Do you suppose that I would lend my name to a work that was not true? No, I would soon be brought before the bar, because this is a State institution I am criticising, and I do not believe any one will accuse me of being foolish enough to accuse a department of the State without having the truth back of my charge. We had a trolley strike in Wilkes-Barre lasting over a year. The State Police were there for the greater part of that year. They were not needed the city did not want them, and they were not allowed in the city; for months and months they were kept outside of the city. A dozen of times it seemed that the strike was to be settled, when something went wrong and the strike could not be settled. Every one who had the settlement at heart did what we could, and it seemed every time we tried to settle it something would break it wrong and throw it off again. The time came when they tried to take the jitneys off the streets and force the people to ride the cars. One time the city won and one time county won, and the Superior Court rendered a decision to the effect that the jitneys were to be put back and it was one thing after another. Finally an order was issued that a certain time, on a certain night, all jitneys must get off the streets. When that night came it was also announced that the State Police were coming to town and the people went out to see how it looked with the State Police coming to town. They were out on the outskirts of the town. They wanted to see how it worked when the jitneys were not in operation, to see whether the people would ride the cars, because up to this time they would not ride them. That night, in the big park of Wilkes-Barre, the city park or square, there were hundreds of men and women and children. Everything was peaceful and in order, even a trolley car striking an automobile did not cause any excitement. People were in a holiday mood, no one was provoked, everybody was out to see what the police looked like, and to learn if the people would ride the cars. All at once up the street came a company of State Police. They passed up the main street and down a side street,—I think it is called Market street. Directly they came back, and when they came back, two went this direction, two that, and the other two rode in the centre. Then they commenced to clean out the park, and they commenced to drive the people this way and that. The people on this side ran that way and met the people on the other side. Then they would be beaten back because of those on this side. When they ran the other way they found those in the centre of the park, and so they drove them with the horses up and down the park. I went into Wilkes-Barre at once and found some of your State officials there,—and I will give you the names of them if you want them. Some men who sat in this House in 1911 said, "I voted for the State Police bill then; I believed at that time that it was a safeguard thrown around our liberties and for the proper protection of our people, but I am commencing to believe that sometimes things we hold uppermost as safeguards are the institutions that will destroy the liberties that we are trying to protect." That man's name I can give you; he is a State official,—I would not like to publish his name. If you doubt it I will tell you his name and you can question him. I went among the people of Wilkes-Barre and asked them for testimonials and they gave them to me. I have here many of them. I shall not read them all. I will give you the names of a few of them. The first is a traveling man, G. J. Collins, of Norwood, Massachusetts; Joseph B. Walsh, of Boston; M. J. McLaughlin, county commissioner of Luzerne County. You men of that district all know him up there. See McLaughlin and ask him whether what is printed in this book is true, and he will tell you that every word of it is true; and he will tell you more because we made it small and as short as possible. Then we have Benjamin Burgunder, one of your merchants in Wilkes-Barre, 58 East Market street, also John C. Evans, of 91 Coal street, and John Kobiensky, of 3 Dexter street, Lee Park.

This man came in town to do business, and when finished was going home and got caught in the park, and they told him to get out. He just got in and did not know what happened. He said, "Yes, yes, I will go." When he ran to go to the other side he met the other side coming this way and they went to beat him back. He dodged his head to one side and they hit him on the shoulder and he could not work for several weeks. He had not committed any offense, he had not done anything wrong. Then we have Joseph Trotter and W. J. Kromelbera, John Hughes, John Hilliard and several others whose names I can furnish. And again we have the case of a man who came in town with his wife, to go to a banquet. They were caught in it and they were pushed in against a building. He shoved his wife to one side, but he was caught. A blow on his head started blood flowing, and it ruined his suit. They took him to the hospital and fixed him up. Gentlemen, it was nothing but good luck that his wife was not caught in the same way. The county commissioner tells the story that when he came out of the Savoy he saw a trooper on his horse and that this trooper rode at such speed that when his horse struck the cement pavement it slid something like forty feet before he could stop, right into the mouth of the lobby of the theatre, and then he pulled out his big stick and began beating right and left and commenced swearing and cursing and calling the men vile names. They were struck and pulled and shoved around like a dog, and why? What had they done? They were absolutely as innocent as you and I are to-day. I will tell you what they did. They were going to shove the jitneys off the streets, beat up the people, and break the spirit of the people, and compel them to ride the cars whether they wanted to or not. That is the old trick, that is the way they have worked ever since the state police was created. That is why I am against it, its being used for that purpose. If it was to apprehend criminals, protect our forests, farms and rivers, the lives of the people, I would be the last man to say a word against them, but I am sick and tired of having the friends of the constabulary say that those of us,—and they refer here to me—they say that a good citizen and a law-abiding citizen does not have to be afraid of them. I want to tell you, Major Groome, and the rest of you, that I come from an old Pennsylvania family, and not myself nor any of my ancestry within a hundred years ever served time or was brought before the bar of justice for breaking any of the laws of the Commonwealth, and when you charge me of being afraid of the police power because of my character, I ask you, Major Groome, and those who dare question my character, whether you can show as good a record as I have shown. Gentlemen of the House, this bill if it passes means that you are going to have one hundred more troopers, that is what it means. It means you are going to raise the salaries. This department now costs you three hundred and fifty-seven thousand dollars a year, that is what it costs you now. If this bill goes through, it means that it will cost you five hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars a year, over two hundred thousand dollars more. You say you need more revenue. There was a resolution passed here to lend the state for two million dollars. You need money. I have heard, and no doubt you members have heard from the bankers, brokers, insurance and coal people, begging us not to measure or this one, that this tax bill will work a hardship if it is passed, and that that tax bill will work a hardship if passed, begging us to vote against this bill or that bill, and yet here is a bill that will drain this treasury of ours of over two hundred thousand dollars.

It will work a hardship if that tax bill passes or this tax bill passes and they are begging us to vote against all revenue producers. Yet here is a bill that will drain this treasury of ours over two hundred thousand dollars more a year than before. I ask you, do we need it? I say no; we do not need this departmental increase. I know of some of you are saying, these are trying times, and we may need them; war may break out. The Adjutant General asked the Appropriations Committee for three million dollars the other day to give us the protection that he says we need. We passed a bill the other week giving the farmers the protection they need, giving any township, any municipality, the right to go to court and have its own policemen appointed and put on salary, so you farmers have a law now, if you feel you need a policeman with all the powers of the State Police you have the law now, only these policemen will be used in your township; that is all. We are safeguarded, all these different avenues. I am as anxious for law and order and the protection of life and property as anyone can be but I do say that this Department of Police is invariably used in the interests of the employing class to the detriment of the employed class. Take them out of that situation. We are not, as some say, unlawful when strike situations take place. Here is the trouble: In strike situations we now know enough to know that with the best order the stronger we are; and the other side knows that the first outbreak of disorder weakens us. We have no control over the State Police. They can come in and provoke and engender disorder and they have done it and we proved they done it. They may show you in a book after a bit that the unions asked for the State Police. That has happened once or twice, but the book don't tell you that we got them. No, they tell you that we asked for them.

They speak about Old Forge at Scranton where the State Police went in and arrested the I. W. W. Yes, they did. They went into a meeting hall where two hundred and sixty-four men were in session. They broke in the doors and arrested the two hundred and sixty-four men; then they went and put them on hay wagons and automobiles and every other kind of vehicles and got them up to Scranton and had their pictures taken and put it in the newspapers. What a gallant raid that was. These murderous anarchists were carroled and put behind prison bars. The time came for trial. What were the charges? What was the result? The Sheriff could not produce any charges and the State Police could not produce any charges and the two hundred and sixty-four men, for the want of evidence, were discharged. To speak of the case of Old Forge where dynamiting was done—that is true. They were not strikers. Every time something like that happens, there is the striker. There are lots of dynamite explosions, but they are not always caused by laboring man and the man who dynamited that shanty at Old Forge and was arrested was not arrested by the State Police but the Sheriff.

I spoke in Wilkes-Barre on the Fourth of July last. This book over there now called "Justice to All" says that when I spoke there the State Police were brought in by the picnic committee and they guarded me while I spoke. Now the fact of the matter is that four State Policemen came to the park and the Secretary of the Picnic Committee asked what they wanted. They said, "We were told to come here." "By whom?" "By our superior." The Secretary said, "I suppose you are wanted at the baseball grounds, not here;" and they went away and that is all that there was to it; yet the story got out and you would have the people believe that we wanted them. I have a letter here from the State Policeman himself repudiating it. Here it is; here is what the State Policeman says.. "Pennsylvania State Police, Troop B., Wyoming, Luzerne County, July 13, 1916.

"To Whom It May Concern:

"This is to certify that Mr. Thomas Milligan of Wilke-Barre, Pa. did not request the presence of or did not invite members of the Pennsylvania State Police at a picnic of the Allied Trades Council held at Riverside Borough Park on July 4th, 1916 and that no members of the State Police were on duty at this Park on this date.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) L. S. Pritchard, Captain,
State Police, Commanding Troop B."

Yet that book will tell you that they were there and that I had police protection that day and was allowed to make my speech unmolested.

To show you another little instance, before I close, here is Gallagher vs. Maley. In Wilkes-Barre after they made this raid on the citizens, indignation ran high. This man Maley, Ex-Coroner of Luzerne County, was on his way to City Hall, being summoned there by the Mayor for some purpose or other. He was on his way there and he met Gallagher, a State Policeman, and he said, "Gallagher, if your old father would know what your conduct has been in this strike, he would turn himself in his grave; he would be ashamed to own you as a son." That is what Maley said to State Policeman Gallagher.

Gallagher had four sticks with him and he went somewhere and dropped three of them and as poor old Maley was walking away he knocked him on the head, knocking him down, and they sent for Dr. Walter to fix up his head and then this man Gallagher went to the magistrate and had a warrant issued for Maley's arrest and had him fined ten dollars for disorderly conduct, or for resisting an officer. It was appealed to the court and one of the grand juryman sits right in this Hall today, a member of this House who helped, and could not else but to do so, to bring out a bill against Gallagher. This grand juryman is here now and will verify that what I am telling you is true. Are we going to let this thing go and get larger and larger? I trust and I hope that we have had enough of this. If you don't pass this bill, if you won't repeal this Constabulary Bill, is keeps it just as it is. A strong appeal has been made for Major Groome and a claim has been made that he is working too cheap. If his work was of any account, I would say that is all right. Here is a report of Major Groome's testimony before the Federal Industrial Relations Commission. About a year ago Major Groome and myself and others were summoned to Washington to appear before the Walsh Industrial Commission and here are some of the things Major Grome said when he was asked these questions by Mr. Walsh, the Chairman.

By the Chairman:

Question: Are you connected with the Pennsylvania State Police and if so, what is your position?

Mr. Groome:

Answer: Superintendent.

Question: Have you any professional business aside from that?

Answer: I am a member of the firm of Groome and Company, Philadelphia, Importers and Wine Merchants.

Question: Have you taken any interest in that firm for the past four or five years?

Answer: I have been unable to take active interest in that firm on account of my police duties.

Question: Is that a corporation or a partnership?

Answer: A partnership.

Question: Are you engaged in mercantile business.

Answer: Yes sir.

Question: In manufacturing?

Answer: No sir.

Question: Were you present at the strike in Erie.

Answer: No, sir. I only take command when the entire force or squad is out. When one troop or portion of troop is out the commanding officer of that troop is with them; when all are out then I take command as the Senior Officer, but I don't interfere with them in their rank.

Mr. Speaker, so you see Major Groome is giving his time to the wine and liquor business. It may surprise some of you to know that while I have been in this Capitol now for eight years and closer perhaps than any other man in this House, because I am here year in and year out for the extra two years after each session hardly a week that I am not up here and in all this time I have never met Major Groome here once. If I did I never noticed him. It does not look to me as if this man was worth any more than what he gets for his service, three thousand dollars, because it is the assistant superintendent Lumb that is doing the work. This man is all right; Mr. Lumb is a fine fellow, and I presume Mr. Groome is, and I don't fight them as individuals, but I am talking as my duty as a representative here and from that standpoint only and I will say that Lumb is on the job; he is a hard worker, that I want to say for him, but Mr. Groome is only a

figurehead, and any one from Philadelphia who knows anything about Major Groome will tell you that and yet he wants his salary doubled. I could tell you until midnight why this institution should not be increased and then I would not finish. I have made a study of the State Police and I know what I am talking about. I am not going to talk any longer and I am going to close my remarks with a motion. The other day I spoke with a very high official and here is what he said, "Maurer, here is the big danger with all our State Departments; they are growing and they are growing beyond our revenue. Every State Department head comes into this Legislature every session and he wants so many thousand dollars more and so many officers more and here the State Police Department wants a great many more, and an increase in salaries. The Chairman of our Appropriation Committee, Mr. Woodward, will have to dig in somewhere to find over a hundred thousand dollars more to supply to this institution. They say that they cannot furnish all the demands made on them and that they need more police. We don't need them in Reading. We have got police and detectives and we take care of our county. We had them before and when we did have them we had more highway robbery than at any other time, with the State Police there, and since they are gone we have had no highway robberies of any account since. I ask you, Major Groome, what business have you to say to the State Department that you want to use them in a moving picture display, and who gave you a right to use the State Department to pose for a moving picture; showing the Chamber of Commerce and have miners getting so much money and they didn't know what to do with it and they gambled with it and then the State Police come in and raided them. And there are men on the floor of this House who will verify that. My advice would be to tell you to get on the job and look after your own business and perhaps you will have more State Police than you know what to do with. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be stricken from the calendar.

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, when my constituents were generous enough to send me to this House, there were two or three things that I resolved in my mind. One of those was that if this House were urging the consideration of any measure unless I believed it deep down in my heart to be right I should not be in favor of it. Another one was that I would care for every other man on the floor of this House and show him the same measure of courtesy and consideration that I would wish and hope to get from him. There are different qualities of mind and of heart. I had heard a great deal about the distinguished gentleman from Berks, particularly with reference to his attitude on the question of the State Police. I was very much interested in the early days of this session in looking over the various measures introduced by him in this House in the past and I found that most of them had a human touch. Many of them were five or ten years ahead of their time, nevertheless many of them were measures which it will be well to seriously consider in the days to come. I was deeply hoping that when this measure came up on the floor of this House that the gentleman from Berks would be found urging it earnestly and truthfully and deeply and that it would almost be a matter of religion with the gentleman from Berks.

I did not believe that the gentleman from Berks would oppose the increase in the state police force, but gentlemen of this House, the gentleman from Berks occupies a far higher function than any individual citizen sitting in this House. He represents in some respect the great cause of labor. I saw the tremendous benefit that the great cause of labor would receive when this measure came up that I thought labor would be ranged firmly on the side of it. You and I know as thoughtful men, that there is no greater question in this world to-day than the relative rights of labor and capital. I believe firmly in organized labor, but gentlemen of the House you and I will tread the path with labor just so far as labor keeps step with justice, but when labor clasps hands with violence, then you and I reluctantly must leave her. And the greatest friend of capital is simply justice. I will tread the path with capital just so far as capital recognizes the just rights of the laboring men, and seeks to preserve them, but when capital clasps hands with oppression and seeks to grind down a man then I say to capital "I can go no further with you." Now with regard to this State Police force I should hate to feel, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of this House, that the time has come when appreciation for work well done was to be blotted out from our code of conduct. I should hate to feel that the "well done, good and faithful servant" was no longer to be heard within the boundaries of this Commonwealth. Let us consider these State Police and try to accord them a fair hearing and a full measure of justice. Away back in 1902, we had the Anthracite Coal Strike, one of the most regretable events that ever took place in any civilized community. It was grievous that the miners themselves lost perhaps $25,000,000 in wages; the operators lost no less than $46,000,000 in decreased production, the great transportation companies of the State lost $20,000,000 or $30,000,000 in freight and transportation receipts, and the State of Pennsylvania in order to preserve order within its boundaries spent within a few dollars of a million dollars, and the laboring men in their effort to hold out, depleted their reserve by something like $1,800,000. And what happened at that time, with regard to the maintaining of order? We had in the old days the coal and iron police. The situation was so deplorable that few men now-a-days can conceive that it ever existed. The situation was this. The State, in order to preserve order, had commissioned men as deputy sheriffs and as constables who worked in behalf of the vested interests, and what was the result? Why every time a laboring man popped up his head, the State having nothing at all to say, having sold its authority, they were abused and ridden down, treated shamefully, and it was not surprising that there came about a demand that something different should be had. The Anthracite Coal Commission, who considered this question at great length, decided and recommended that the State should itself assume the responsibilities of keeping law and order in its boundaries. From that there sprang up this body of men known as the State Police. Now, Captain John C. Groome, of the City of Philadelphia was commissioned to organize that force. He refused at first when Governor Pennypacker asked him to do it, because he felt that he did not have the time and could not give up the interests of his business. But Major Groome had a peculiar qualification. He had been captain of the First City Troop, one of the finest troops of men organized under any flag, or any banner, men of a troop who since the days of the Revolution had distinguished themselves in honorable military service. I want to say this right now, because it is only fair to say it, that I have no permission from John C. Groome to speak on this question. I only met him once and I would scarcely know him if he walked in upon the floor of this House at this moment, but I feel that whether his name is Groome or Brown or Smith, if he has achieved anything which has sent the reputation of the State of Pennsylvania broadcast over the country and the world, I want to secure him a fair measure of justice and give him his honest due. Is this State Police an efficient force? I think it is. Gentlemen of this House, to-day there are eleven other states considering a state police measure modeled upon the system of the Pennsylvania State Police. We have the testimony of men, eminent men, high in national and State circles, everyone of them knowing these State Police, everyone saying it is a model of efficiency. Gentlemen, it commends itself to me for one particular reason, and I want to call your attention to it, and it is this: When this body was formed politics took wing. No man who was recommended to this force by a politician got any consideration and to-day one of the quickest things to cause a dismissal from this force is the fact that a man trying to secure some favor in that force because of some particular political friend back of him. It may sound like the millenium to say that but it is true.

With regard to the merits of this particular provision to-day, if Groome to-morrow should lose his four captains because someone else offered them more money, where in the world could you replace men with training such as theirs? It would take no less than two years to re-place those men and the State of Pennsylvania would suffer. I want to pay a tribute right here gentlemen of this House to the personal bravery of those men. I am proud to know that I live in a Commonwealth that has the services of such men as the State Constabulary, or State Police, if you please. They are men who not only commend a large measure of personal bravery, but men who commend

discretion. I ask any man on the floor of this House if it does not take brains of the keenest character, and discretion of the finest quality, to know how long you should sit upon your horse with a howling mob of two or three thousand people around you, to know how long he shall be a target for bricks, and clubs, and stones, and yet withhold the gun, withhold the overt acts, until the proper moment. I tell you it requires discretion of the highest order to know when to shoot and when not to shoot under such circumstances. I recall one case that happened at a little town called Pricedale out near Monessen. A poor little girl of eight years of age was sent out in the evening to bring home the cows, and failed to return. Her poor body was found under some bushes. The local authorities gave up, could not find the criminal; they were unable to apprehend the monster who had committed that attrocious crime, and turned it over to the State Police. A trooper was assigned to the case and kept on the trail, kept on the trail because he had heard that a certain negro had lived in the community, a hod-carrier. He was always looking and hoping that some day he would come across that hod-carrier. A few months later a telephone operator, going to her home, was set upon and assaulted by a negro. The only thing that she could remember was that she had left the print of her teeth on the man's finger. The trooper got on the job, and followed the trail over three counties, looking for a man with a bandaged finger. He got into the town of Belle Vernon, where he heard that such a man had been seen. He learned there that such a man had been seen in Charleroi, and he went into that town of Charleroi. He went on some contract work and found a darky working there who had a bandaged finger. He said, "Let me see that finger." The darky showed him his finger, but denied any connection with the crime. The trooper went around behind the corner and watched that man, and he saw the colored man look at his finger, and finally drop his hod and run away. He chased him and put his hand on his shoulder within two hundred and fifty feet of the place and said, "What are you running away for?" The result was that the colored man was lodged in jail. The people of the town of Belle Vernon were so incensed that they demanded the blood of that darky. They surged around the street car when the trooper was taking him away. The trooper faced that angry body of citizens and said, "Gentlemen, I represent the law; you men are my friends; you must desist in the attempt to have the blood of this man." The man was tried in an orderly way and sentenced to the penitentiary. Then there was another case of a man, a lunatic, in the asylum at Danville. He escaped at 6 o'clock at night, on a dark winter's night. Word came about it and two troopers were sent to the work. They realized that in a country of that character women would be working at their household tasks. They followed that man down all night long through the snow, a blinding, smothering snow, until 6 o'clock in the marning. At 6 o'clock in the morning, in a little wood, they saw two feet projecting from a hollow log. They went up to it and the lunatic heard them, and he jumped to his feet and climbed into a tall tree. Ryan and Carlson were the tropers on the job, and Ryan said, "I am going up the tree," although Carlson asked for the work. In the swaying branches of that tree the lunatic and the State trooper fought it out, until finally Ryan yelled down to Carlson, "I am coming down." He dove head first for the man and the lunatic and the trooper crashed to the earth. Fortunately they were not hurt, and the lunatic was restored to the authorities at Danville. These men are engaged all of the time in breaking up the Black Hand, putting out forest fires, catching horse thieves, and in a thousand and one ways, doing that which makes the State of Pennsylvania a credit in the eyes of all its citizens. Let us see if they are fair, or are the brutes that they have been called. Take the case in Allen, a little town in Jefferson County. A sergeant and fifteen men were asked by the sheriff to come there and face two thousand rioters. Lumb went with his men. The only well of water there was on the company's grounds, and the mine superintendent said, "We do not want these miners coming here using this well." Lumb said, "Let us see, is there any other well?" And they found there was none. He said, "Those men are going to use that well." The mine superintendent demurred, but Lumb insisted. A day or two later the mine company tried to evict tenants from their buildings, and wanted Lumb and his men to assist. Lumb said, "No, we won't help you in that sort of work, we came here to do our duty, not only to the mine operators, but to these poor men as well," and they got a square deal from him. I believe firmly in my heart that in every instance the poor man, the rich man, or whoever he may be, gets a square deal from these State Police. Now take up the question of the character of these men. What is the best evidence of their character?—the testimonials that go out from one end of the State to the other in their favor. Go to any department in this capitol, to the men who head the departments, and every one of them speaks with unqualified approval of the character of these men. Every department head will say to you, "I do not know what I would do without the State Police." Let us go down into some of the counties where disorder occured—let us listen to the comments of Sheriffs Buss of Luzerne and Phillips of Lackawanna. Listen to the families of John Prussi, who was set upon by four Industrial Workers of the World because he would not join in disorder, and his face slashed and cut. Then consider the question of Old Forge, and the sixteen troopers who went down there. Last spring in Luzerne and Lackawanna counties, the condition of the United Mine Workers was so bad with respect to these men and their families being set upon by the I. W. W. that life was almost unlivable. Little breaker boys on their way to work were fired upon. The families of these miners did not know at what moment they might be set upon by these vicious fellows who had no conception of law and order. What was the result? The State Police came in and restored order, and the biggest boosters in the world to-day for them are the miners and their families in Luzerne and Lackawanna counties. Now my friend from Berks has referred to the Fourth of July picnic at which he spoke. The United Mine Workers were desirous of having a successful meeting, and called upon the eloquent speakers that would charm, and they called up the State Superintendent of police and asked that some of the troopers be sent there. Captain Pritcher and four men came there. The day was beautiful, the event was successful, and my good friend from Berks was able to let his eloquence float out in the air, to the joy of everybody, because I think of the presence of the State Police. I think everybody will agree with me that this body of men is efficient. Let us go to the question of salary. I tell you I have a sense of personal disgrace, of personal shame, that there should be any objection to these salaries, considering the efficiency of this force, and considering the fact that Captain Groome, in 1911, rather than allow the bill proposed to increase the salary of the men to be cast aside, said, "Keep my salary at three thousand dollars, I won't ask to have it raised." He did that rather than have the bill defeated. It is a good thing this man has been possessed of independent means.. If I had been in his place I would have laid down my badge of authority long and said, "You can get another superintendent of police, for you do not value nor can you recognize merit when you see it, and I would have been busy somewhere else. Admiral Dewey, after his memorable victory at Manila on his way home stopped at Gibraltar, and a dinner was given in his honor by the British officers. One of the English admirals said, "Admiral Dewey, we all feel that we should congratulate you upon your glorious victory at Manila, but it was too bad that so many fine Spanish sailors had to be killed." Admiral Dewey shrugged his shoulders and said, "Yes, but you can't make an omelet without breaking eggs." Now I say you cannot get results unless you are willing to pay the price. If I thought this bill would be defeated, I would rather go down into my own clothes and have my taxes increased from time to time in order that the State of Pennsylvania might pay the proper wages to this efficient branch of the government.

Mr. Speaker, you and I may be here now and somewhere else tomorrow. Political factions change. They come and go, rise and die. Associations and federations of men spring up and pass away; but the dignity and the good name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are with us always and I say to every man upon the floor of this House that it is our duty here and now today to see that the State Police of Pennsylvania are by our vote to-day put in that position which every honest voice, I think, in the

state or nation as well, would accord to these efficient and brave public men.

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen, in view of the fact that this bill is now on second reading and that in all probability a further opportunity will be had to have further argument upon it, I move the previous question.

The motion was seconded by Messrs. Albee, Arthur, Bennett, Beyer, Bovee, Theodore, Campbell, Curry, Fretz, Gransback, Hecht, Heffernan, Heyburn, Lafferty, McCaig, McCurdy, McNichol,Mervine, Pickering, Reitzel, Rininger, Scott, Charles A. Shaffer, Lee Smith, Stern, Swartz, West, Woodward, and others.

The SPEAKER. The motion has been seconded by more than the number of members required under rules. The question is,

Shall the main question now be put?

The question was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for third reading.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 608.

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Bedford County.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Strike out the word "Dauphin" in the last line of the title and insert the word "Bedford" in lieu thereof.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—176.

Albee,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Showalter,
Aron,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Aston,	Gans,	Mehring,	Simpson,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Milner,	Sones,
Beyer,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Black,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Musser,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hess,	Neary,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Brumbaugh,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Sullivan,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Swartz,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Canon,	Horne,	Powell,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Conner,	Jack,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Cook,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Corbin,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cox,	Lafferty,	Richards,	Walter,
Crosby,	Laucks,	R.	Weimer,
Curry,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Leary,	Rinn,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dell,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Woodward,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Eby,	McCullough,	Scott,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McKinney,	Shattuck,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,		Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 657.

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

House Bill No. 799.

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

House Bill No. 852.

An act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset, County of Somerset, and State of Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

House Bill No. 384.

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of may, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thusand or over.

House Bill No. 122.

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (pamphlet laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire

House Bill No. 293.

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

House Bill No. 477.

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

With information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives as follows, viz:

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11.

Whereas The subject of Universal Military Training has been and will be presented to the Congress of the United States and

Whereas There should be enacted into law a Universal Military Training Bill now therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives if the Senate concurs That we earnestly endorse the principle of Universal Military Training and urge upon the members of Congress from the State of Pennsylvania to aid in the enactment of such a Universal Military Training law as will now and hereafter provide for the common defence promote and maintain the general welfare safety and happiness of all the people and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity

Be it further resolved That a copy of this resolution together with the action thereon be sent to each member in the Congress of the United States from the State of Pennsylvania

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 8.

An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population

Senate Bill No. 34.

An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges.

House Bill No. 248.

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships," approved the twenty-sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

House Bill No. 493.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities," by extending the same to cities of the first class.

Whereupon,

The Speaker in the presence of the House signed the same.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to Senate Bill numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

Senate Bill No. 84.

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Senate Bill No. 85.

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife citizens of Erie County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Senate Bill No. 86.

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner a citizen of Erie county Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County Pennsylvania against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate which was twice read as follows:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, April 3, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April ninth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April ninth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 2.40 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, April 4, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for the classical and powerful message sent out to the people of the United States by our great President. We thank Thee for that broad distinction made between the people and the form of government by which they are ruled, and we pray that throughout our entire country there may be a spirit of kindness, consideration and toleration for those who have the mixed feelings of opposition to their form of government and still have the ties of affection that naturally arises when they remember their younger days. We thank Thee that the message given out by our President has united our American people from shore to shore, and that we are ready, having seen the issue clearly, to stand with him to the very finish with all that we possess. Guide us in all the complications yet to come in the development of this awful struggle. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session when, on motion of Mr. KLINE, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FAVORING UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING AND NAVAL SERVICE.

The Chair laid before the Senate communications which were read as follows:

Hazleton, Pa., April 3, 1917.

President Pro Tempore Senate
Harrisburg Pa.

In common with all patriotic citizens I trust you are going to put this State on record as favoring unconditional compulsory military training and an alliance for mutual aid with France and England in this crisis.

FRANK PARDEE.

Hon. E. E. Beidleman President Pro Tempore,
State Senate Harrisburg, Pa.

The National Security League, Hazleton Branch, endorses compulsory universal military and naval service under exclusive Federal control to meet the present national crisis and as a permanent national policy we respectfully urge immediate action by the State of Pennsylvania recommending appropriate action by Congress.

JOHN H. BIGELOW,
President.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, April 3, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April ninth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April ninth, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 608.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 608, entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 248, entitled

An Act to amend section thirty-five of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating partnerships" approved the twenty-sixth day of March Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

House Bill No. 493, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities" by extending the same to cities of the first class.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 704 (House Bill No. 773), entitled

An Act authorizing trustees of the insane, or directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

Mr. JENKINS from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 134, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act requiring the several prothonotaries and clerks of the courts of quarter sessions to keep certain dockets and to enter therein all matters coming before the respective courts concerning lunatics, weak-minded persons and persons committed to institutions; and requiring county commissioners to furnish such dockets at the expense of the county

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act requiring service of notice of all petitions for the appointment of guardians and committees for lunatics and weak-minded persons, notice of confirmation of accounts of such guardian and committees, and notice of all audits to be served upon the Attorney General.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General reported as committed Senate Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act relating to the audit and distribution of estates of lunatics and weak-minded persons

Mr. C. A. Snyder, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 717, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of sewage disposal plants within the vicinity of intakes of water works or systems of water supply; and providing for the issuing of injunctions to prevent violation of this act

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill N. 753, entitled

A Supplement to the act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws forty-six) entitled "An Act fixing the number and salaries of clerks and other employes in the Auditor General's Department" creating a Bureau of Economy and Efficiency in said Department fixing the number and salaries of its clerks and employes and prescribing its powers and duties

Also from the Committee on Judiciary Special reported as committed Senate Bill No. 687, entitled

An Act defining how and when borough and township auditors shall audit borough, township and school accounts providing for the publication of the same in one or more newspapers of the county and providing a penalty

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 91, entitled

An Act protecting against false charges as to collection of transportation money

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 706, entitled

An Act to fix the pay and mileage of witnesses and jurors in actions before magistrates, aldermen and justices of the peace

Mr. SEMMENS, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 612 (House Bill No. 847), entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Also from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 771, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 708, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the 29th day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred seventy-four, providing for the incorporation and regulation of telephone companies, defining the rights, powers and privileges of such corporations; conferring upon them the right of eminent domain and regulating the exercise thereof; authorizing and regulating the purchase, acquisition and leasing of the properties, systems and securities of other like corporations, associations and persons engaged in the telephone business; authorizing existing corporations engaged in the telephone business or furnishing telephone service to accept the provisions of this act.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 766, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Treverton Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields situate in the Township of Coal near Shamokin Northumberland County Pennsylvania for deficiency in maintenance for the two fiscal years commencing June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 770, entitled

An Act to further amend an act entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction; and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act; and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction, and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act, and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violations thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," by providing for further instruction prior to examination for licensure; by clarifying sections five (5) and twelve (12).

Also from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 761 (House Bill No. 900), entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Corporations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved June second one thousand eight hundred eighty seven entitled "An Act supplementary to an act approved April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred seventy-four entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' amending the thirty-fourth section thereof extending its provisions to fuel companies providing for their capital stock and regulation and giving them the power of eminent domain"

Also from the Committee on Corporations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 343, entitled

An Act to quiet title to real estate and enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 41, entitled

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and the amendments thereto

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 554 (House Bill No. 359), entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 690 (House Bill No. 738), entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads improved and maintained by such counties the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 647 (House Bill No. 885), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 55, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 721 (House Bill No. 734), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited"

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 722 (House Bill No. 735), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailer and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census"

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 724, entitled

An Act authorizing the board of public accounts to consider petitions for the return of moneys erroneously or inadvertently paid or covered into the state treasury and to make such order thereupon as shall seem just and proper providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of such claims and claims heretofore adjusted and making an appropriation

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 622, entitled

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the 23d day of April, 1903, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments, and the re-assessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property, and fixing the time for the return thereof," by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of a triennial assessment.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 692, entitled

An Act authorizing tenants in common and coparceners of land to pay their proportionate share of the taxes assessed against the land; and providing that the sale thereof for unpaid taxes shall not impair or divest the title of those who have paid their respective shares of such taxes.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 765, entitled

An Act requiring assessors and assistant assessors in boroughs to keep account of days actually employed and make return thereof to county commissioners, and fixing their compensation.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CRAIG read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 772, entitled

An Act providing a method for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes in cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 773, entitled

A supplement to the act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and seventy-three), entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement;" extending the provisions of said act to include the employes of certain charitable institutions.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 774, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to refund certain monies to the estate of the late Joseph P. Kennedy.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 775, entitled

An Act creating a Woman's Country Problem Commission, defining its purpose, and making an appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 776, entitled

An Act relating to free public non-sectarian libraries and branch libraries within this Commonwealth; providing for their establishment, maintenance and regulation and for the maintenance and regulation of such free public non-sectarian libraries as may have been already established by the several counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships; and providing that all library property and all gifts, devises, grants or endowments for library purposes shall be exempt from taxation, and providing that the several counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships may levy taxes, condemn private property and borrow money for library purposes and imposing penalties for injuring library property and for violations of library regulations and repealing existing laws in relation to the above subjects.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 84, entitled

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Senate Bill No. 85, entitled

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of Common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 4, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

A. D. Johnson, Lansdale, April 29, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Walter G. Gibson, Philadelphia, April 8, 1917.
Joseph G. Patterson, Jr., Philadelphia, April 13, 1917.
Nelson D. Warwick, Philadelphia, April 15, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 4, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Thomas M. Boyd, Pittsburgh.
Stanley K. Turner, Pittsburgh.

CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Miss Jennie S. Boyer, Johnstown.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

H. B. McCullough, Brookwaywille.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Miss Phebe B. Gealy, Scranton.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Clare P. DuShane, New Castle.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations.

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 173, on final passage, entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-four).

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 683, as follows:

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept; prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease to drinking from public watering troughs and providing penalties.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any horse or horses kept in public stables shall be found to be afflicted with any contagious disease the owner or keeper of such stable shall post a notice to that effect in a conspicuous place on the outside of the stable

Section 2 It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to put or cause to be put any horse or horses in any public stable afflicted with any contagious disease

Section 3 It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to permit any horse afflicted with any contagious disease to drink from any public watering troughs

Section 4 Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a penalty of ten dollars

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I would like to know what emergency this act provides for that we have not already laws on the statute books to meet, and whether it requires any expenditure of money for the purpose of enforcing the act.

Mr. TOMKPINS. Mr. President, this is an act drawn by the attorney for the Cambria County Pomona Grangers. This organization has a membership of over fifteen hundred in Cambria County alone. A number of their members have experienced difficulty by their horses getting diseases at public watering troughs and at public stables, and this act compels the people of the livery stables to post notices to the effect that they have sick horses in the stable and state the disease. The maximum fine is only ten dollars and as the bill is drawn the person owning the sick animal must wilfully violate the act. The farmers of Cambria County feel that the act will be a benefit to a good many horse traders traveling the road in the summer, who, as a rule, do not have a very choice lot of horses. We understand the act will also be endorsed by the Pennsylvania State Grange.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Nason,	Stewart,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Hindman,	Phipps,	Vare,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Craig,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Sproul,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 705 (House Bill No. 877), as follows:

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the judicial districts of the Commonwealth shall be numbered composed designated and shall each have the number of judges respectively as follows

The First District shall be composed of the City and County of Philadelphia and shall have fifteen judges learned in the law in the common pleas and five judges learned in the law in the orphans' court and such judges of the municipal court as now or may hereafter be provided by law

The Second District of the County of Lancaster and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Third District of the County of Northampton and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Fourth District of the County of Tioga and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifth District of the County of Allegheny and shall have twelve judges learned in the law in the common pleas and three judges learned in the law in the orphans' court and such judges of the county court as now or may hereafter be provided by law

The Sixth District of the County of Erie and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Seventh District of all the County of Bucks and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Eighth District of the County of Northumberland and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Ninth District of the County of Cumberland and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Tenth District of the County of Westmoreland and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Eleventh District of the County of Luzerne and shall have five judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twelfth District of the County of Dauphin and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Thirteenth District of the County of Greene and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fourteenth District of the County of Fayette and and shall have two judges learned in the law and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Fifteenth District of the County of Chester and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Sixteenth District of the County of Somerset and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Seventeenth District of the Counties of Union and Snyder and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Eighteenth District of the County of Clarion and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Nineteenth District of the County of York and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Twentieth District of the Counties of Huntingdon Bedford and Mifflin and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-first District of the County of Schuylkill and shall have three judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twenty-second District of the County of Wayne and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-third District of the County of Berks and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Twenty-fourth District of the County of Blair and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-fifth District of the Counties of Cameron and Elk and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-sixth District of the Counties of Columbia and Montour and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-seventh District of the County of Washington and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Twenty-eighth District of the County of Venango and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Twenty-ninth District of the County of Lycoming and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirtieth District of the County of Crawford and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-first District of the County of Lehigh and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-second District of the County of Delaware and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Thirty-third District of the County of Armstrong and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-fourth District of the County of Susquehanna and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-fifth District of the County of Mercer and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-sixth District of the County of Beaver and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-seventh District of the Counties of Warren and Forest and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Thirty-eighth District of the County of Montgomery and shall have two judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Thirty-ninth District of the County of Franklin and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fourtieth District of the County of Indiana and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-first District of the Counties of Juniata and Perry and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-second District of the County of Bradford and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-third District of the Counties of Monroe and Pike and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-fourth District of the Counties of Wyoming and Sullivan and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-fifth District of the County of Lackawanna and shall have three judges learned in the law in the common pleas and one judge learned in the law in the orphans' court

The Forty-sixth District of the County of Clearfield and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-seventh District of the county of Cambria and shall have two judges learned in the law

The Forty-eighth District of the County of McKean and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Forty-ninth District of the County of Centre and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fiftieth District of the County of Butler and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-first District of the Counties of Adams and Fulton and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-second District of the County of Lebanon and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-third District of the County of Lancaster and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-fourth District of the County of Jefferson and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-fifth District of the County of Potter and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-sixth District of the County of Carbon and shall have one judge learned in the law

The Fifty-seventh District of the County of Clinton and shall have one judge learned in the law

And in all cases where a county is or shall be attached to a contiguous district the qualified voters of said county shall be entitled to vote for the judge or judges

Section 2 The nomination of judges shall be made held and conducted and the returns of votes cast at primary elections for the nomination of judges shall be made computed canvassed and certified as now or may be hereafter provided by law

Section 3 Returns of votes cast in each county at the municipal election for all judges which the qualified electors of such county are entitled to elect of themselves unconnected with any other county or district shall be made out by the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of such county under direction of said court or of the judge persor or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns in such county at its his or their meeting to receive and compute the returns of the preceding municipal election which said returns shall be properly attested by the seal of said court one of which returns shall be filed and entered in the office of the prothonotary of such court another of which returns such prothonotary shall enclose in a sealed envelope and direct and immediately mail to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and it shall be the duty of the prothonotary to deliver a copy of such return to each person elected judge at such municipal election

Section 4 In case of the election of a judge or judges in any judicial district composed of two or more counties or of a single county to which one or more counties is or are attached as provided by this act on the day of the sitting of the court or of the judge person or persons authorized by law to receive and compute returns in each of such counties the prothonotary of the court of common pleas shall open and in its his or their presence shall make out a return of all votes cast at the preceding municipal election within each county for every person voted for as judge which shall be properly attested by the seal of said court and the said court or judge or person or persons receiving and computing returns shall thereupon appoint one of the judges of election in said county to take charge of such return and produce the same at a meeting of the judges so appointed in each of the counties comprising said district which meeting shall be held on the seventh day after the municipal election at the court house of one of the counties taking said counties alternately in alphabetical order

Section 5 The return judges from the several counties as aforesaid having met shall cast up the municipal election returns from the several counties and shall make copies of a general return of all votes cast at such municipal election in the district for such office of judge each of which they shall certify One of said copies they shall lodge in the office of the prothonotary of each county constituting such judicial district another they shall enclose seal and direct to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and they shall also deliver a copy of such return to each person elected as judge at such municipal election

Section 6 In the judicial district herein known as the fifty-seventh district composed of the County of Clinton a president judge learned in the law shall be elected at the municipal election of the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen whose term of office shall begin on

the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and the president judge now in commission for said county shall continue to exercise his jurisdiction therein until the said first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen In all other judicial districts at the municipal election next preceding the expiration of the term of any judge now or hereafter commissioned the qualified electors of any county or counties composing such district shall elect a successor to such judge to serve as provided by law

Section 7 In all districts in which by the provisions of this act two or more judges are provided one of said judges shall be the president judge of said district and the other or others the additional law judge or judges thereof The judge of said district whose commission shall first expire shall be the president judge thereof except when the president judge has been or shall be re-elected in which case he shall continue to be president judge The said additional law judge or judges shall possess the same qualifications which are required by the Constitution and laws for the president judge of said district and shall hold his and their office for a like term and by the same tenure and shall have the same powers authority and jurisdiction and shall be subject to the same duties restrictions and penalties and shall receive the same compensation as the president judge of said district

Section 8 In all cases where by the provisions of this act a district heretofore consisting of more than one county is divided into two or more districts and in all cases in which counties are transferred from one district to another the judge now in office shall continue to serve until the expiration of his term of office as judge of the district which by this act is given the same number as that of the district in which the said judge has heretofore served and at the municipal election next preceding the expiration of the term of office of any any such judge the electors of the county or counties composing such district shall elect a judge to serve as provided by law

Section 9 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

Nothing in this act shall be construed to repeal any of the provisions of an act approved the fifty day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof" or the amendments thereto nor to repeal any of the provisions of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the serive of its writs process or warratns by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" or the amendments thereto

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sones,
Beales,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Croft,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Daix,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 172, on third reading, entitled

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments in the townships of the Commonwealth.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 243, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing method of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—28.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Sones,
Craig,	Hindman,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,			

NAYS—5.

Burke,	Miller,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
McKee,			

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 303 (House Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—27.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Patton,	Sones,
Beales,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Sproul,
Burke,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Martin,	Semmens,	Vare,
Crow,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Endsley,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—1.

Buckman,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 315, as follows:

An Act amending sections one two three four five six seven eight ten eleven twelve and fifteen of an act repealing section fourteen of said act and supplementing said act approved the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and fifty-eight) entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal defining his powers and duties providing for his compensation and the maintenance of his

office giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority and to review his orders and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste" changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention and fixing their salaries fees powers and duties authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives inflammable and combustible products and substances authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in conection therewith and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner and officers under him the power of police officers and constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fires providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction removal and repair of dangerous buildings premises and property and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and fifty-eight) entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal defining his powers and duties providing for his compensation and the maintenance of his office giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority and to review his orders and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Governor of the Commonwealth shall within thirty days after the approval of this act appoint a State Fire Marshal who shall hold office for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified The State Fire Marshal shall be a citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall keep his office in the capitol at Harrisburg and shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand (5,000) dollars and in addition shall be paid his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of his office He shall give bond in the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars for the faithful performance of his duties" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there be and is hereby established a Department of Fire Prevention the chief officer of which shall be the State Fire Commissioner The Governor of the Commonwealth shall appoint the State Fire Commissioner who shall hold office for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified The State Fire Commissioner shall be a citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall keep his office in the capitol at Harrisburg and shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars (5,000) dollars and in addition shall be paid his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of his office He shall give bond in the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars for the faithful performance of his duties

Section 2 That section two of said act which reads as follows

"Section 2 The State Fire Marshal shall appoint a chief assistant fire marshal who shall receive an annual salary of four thousand (4,000) dollars and a first and second deputy fire mrshal each of whom shall receive an annual salary of three thousand (3,000) dollars Each such assistant and deputy shall also be paid his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performnce of the duties of his office The State Fire Marshal shall also apoint one or more stenographers at an annual salary not to exceed one thousand two hundred (1.200) dollars each and such other clerks and assistants as may be needed at a cost of not exceeding three (3) dollars per day each In case of the absence of the State Fire Marshal or his inability for any cause to discharge the duties of his office such duties shall devolve upon the chief assistant fire marshal In case of the absence or inability for any cause of both the State Fire Marshal and chief assistant fire marshal their duties and powers shall devolve upon the first deputy and failing him upon the second deputy" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 The State Fire Commissioner shall appoint a First Deputy State Fire Commissioner who shall receive an annual salary of four thosand (4,000) dollars a Second Deputy State Fire Commissioner who shall receive an annual salary of three thousand (3,000) dollars and four Deputy State Fire Commissioners each of whom shall receive an annual salary of three thousand (3,000) dollars one of said Deputy State Fire Commissioners shall be an engineer versed in the construction of buildings and one shall be an expert in the manufacture and use of explosives and one shall be an electrical engineer The State Fire Commissioner may also from time to time appoint such State Fire Marshals as may be necessary and not to exceed forty in number Ten of said State Fire Marshals shall receive an annual salary not to exceed eighteen hundred (1,800) dollars each and shall be experienced investigators and the remaining thirty shall receive an annual salary not to exceed fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars each All of the officers designated in this section shall in addition to their salary be paid the actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of their offices The State Fire Commissioner shall also appoint a chief clerk at an annual salary of twenty-five hundred (2,500) dollars a statistician at an annual salary of two thousand (2,000) dollars one or more stenographers at an annual salary not to exceed twelve hundred (1,200) dollars each a messenger at an annual salary of eleven hundred (1,100) dollars and such other clerks as the work of the department may require at an annual salary not to exceed fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars each

The State Fire Commissioner and all the officers provided for by this section shall in the enforcement of this act or anything pertaining thereto possess all the powers of police officers and constables of the several cities boroughs and townships of the Commonwealth

Section 3 That section three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 The chief of the fire department in any county city borough township school district or other municipality or incorporated district where such fire department is established or where no such fire department exists the burgess of any borough or president or chairman of the board of supervisors of any township or other municipality or incorporated district shall be by virtue of such office held by them assistants to the State Fire Marshal and subject to the duties and obligations imposed by this act and subject to the directions of the State Fire Marshal in the execution of the provisions hereof The State Fire Marshal may also appoint individual citizens as assistants who shall be subject to the duties and obligations aforesaid and to the directions of the State Fire Marshal Immediately upon taking office the State Fire Marshal shall prepare instructions to the assistant fire marshals and forms for their use in the reports required by this act and shall cause them to be printed and sent together with a copy of this law to each such officer in the Commonwealth" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The chief of the fire department of any county city borough township or town where a fire department is established or where no such fire department exists the burgess of any borough or town or the president or chairman of the board of supervisors or commissioners or constables of any township shall by virtue of such office held by them if appointed by the State Fire Commissioner be Assistant State Fire Marshals and subject to the duties and obligations imposed by this act and subject to the directions of the State Fire Commissioner in the execution of the provisions hereof Any such appointment may be revoked at the discretion of the State Fire Commissioner The State Fire Commissioner may also appoint individual citizens as Assistant State Fire Marshals who shall be subject to the duties and obligations aforesaid and to the directions of the State Fire Commissioner

The State Fire Commissioner may adopt and enforce rules and regulations governing the having using storage sale and keeping of gasoline naphtha kerosene or other substance of like character blasting powder gunpowder dynamite or any other inflammable or combustible chemical products or substances or materials The State Fire Commissioner may also adopt and enforce rules and regulations requiring the placing of chemical or liquid gas fire extinguishers in buildings

The State Fire Commissioner may also adopt and enforce rules and regulations relative to the overcrowding of places of entertainment and amusement and all other places where people congregate in buildings

The State Fire Commisioner shall have full power to prescribe and direct the carrying out of all details and instructions which he shall deem requisite to carry out the provisions and purposes of this act and the act amended and supplemented hereby

Section 4 That the fourth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 4 The assistants of the State Fire Marshal shall investigate the cause origin and circumstances of every fire occurring in this State by which life or property has been destroyed damaged or endangered and so far as possible shall determine whether the fire was the result of design or carelessness Such investigation shall be begun immediately upon the occurrence of the fire by the assistant in whose territory it has occurred and if it appears to the assistant making such investigation to be of suspicious origin the State Fire Marshal shall be immediately notified of such fact Every fire occurring in this State shall be reported in writing to the State Fire Marshal within ten days after its occurrence by the assistant in whose jurisdiction it occurred Such report shall be in the form prescribed by the State Fire Marshal and shall contain a statement of all facts relating to the cause and origin of such fire that can be ascertained the extent of damage thereof the insurance upon the property injured or destroyed and such other information as may be required Provided however That the duties to be performed by the assistant fire marshals or any of them may be limited by the State Fire Marshal so as to reasonably accord with their pre-existing public duties" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 Each of the aforesaid assistants shall investigate the origin cause and other circumstances of every fire by which any property or life has been destroyed damaged or endangered occurring within the territorial limits of their respective counties boroughs townships or towns and

shall make every effort to determine whether such fires were of incendiary origin or the result of design carelessness or accident

Upon the occurrence of any fire such assistant shall report the same to the State Fire Commissioner within five days of its occurrence If it appears to the assistant making such investigation to be of such character and origin as shall require thorough and exhaustive investigation he shall immediately notify the State Fire Commissioner to that effect and shall when directed by the State Fire Commissioner assist in the making of such investigation The reports of any such fire shall be made in writing and in the manner and form prescribed by the State Fire Commissioner on the blanks furnished for that purpose Such reports shall in every case contain a statement of

(a) All the facts relating to the cause of such fire that can be ascertained

(b) The extent of the loss and damage to each property

(c) The loss of life and personal injuries caused thereby or resulting therefrom

(d) The amount of insurance upon each property destroyed or damaged and such other information as may be required by the State Fire Commissioner

The assistants shall notify the State Fire Commissioner at his office in Harrisburg immediately by telephone or telegraphic message of not more than ten words of the occurrence of any incendiary fire

The duties hereinabove prescribed to be performed by the said assistant may be limited by the State Fire Commissioner at his discretion when requested in writing so to do

Any of the aforesaid assistants who shall neglect or refuse to report to the State Fire Commissioner or to make reports or investigations of fires as provided in this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the court

Section 5 That the fifth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 5 The State Fire Marshal his deputies or assistants upon the complaint of any person or whenever he or they shall deem it necessary shall inspect the buildings and premises within their jurisdiction Whenever any of the said officers shall find any building or structure which for want of repairs or by reason of age or dilapidated condition or for any other cause is especially liable to fire and so situated as to endanger other property he or they shall order the same to be removed or remedied if the same is reasonably practicable thereby lessening the danger from fire Whenever such officer shall find in any building combustible or explosive matter of inflammable conditions which are in violation of any law or ordinance applicable thereto or are dangerous to the safety of such buildings thereby endangering other property he or they shall order the same to be removed or remedied and such order shall forthwith be complied with by the owner or occupant of such premises or building If such order is made by a deputy or assistant of the State Fire Marshal such owner or occupant may within five days appeal to the State Fire Marshal who shall within ten days review such order and file his decision thereof and unless by his authority the order is revoked or modified it shall remain in full force and be obeyed by such owner or occupant Provided however That any such owner or occupant who feels himself aggrieved by such order may within five days after the same has been affirmed by the State Fire Marshal file his petition with the court of common pleas of the proper county praying a review of such order and it shall be the duty of the court to hear the same at the first convenient day and to make such order in the premises as right and justice may require

"Any owner or occupant failing to comply with such order within ten days after said appeal shall have been determined or if no appeal is taken then within twenty days after the service of said order shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each days neglect thereafter The service of any such order shall be made upon the occupant of the premises to whom it is directed by either delivering a true copy of same to such occupant personally or by delivering the same to and leaving it with any person in charge of the premises or in case no such person in found upon the premises by affixing a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on the door to the entrance of the said premises Whenever it may be necessary to serve such an order upon the owner of premises such order may be served either by delivering to and leaving with the said person a true copy of the said order or if such owner is absent from the jurisdiction of the officer making the order by mailing such copy to the owners last known post office address The penalties herein provided may be recovered as debts are by law collectible in any courts having jurisdiction of the parties Such action shall be brought in the name of the Commonwealth under the direction of the State Fire Marshal or any of his deputies or assistants by the Attorney General or by any district attorney or legally constituted law officer of any county city borough township or other municipality who may be designated by the Attorney General or at the option of the Attorney General he may designate any attorney to bring such action" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 The State Fire Commissioner on his own motion or upon complaint in writing shall inspect any buildings premises or property which in his judgment require inspection The other officers named in this act shall likewise upon their own motion or upon complaint in writing inspect any buildings premises or property within their respective territories which in their judgment may require inspection and shall make such other inspections as are required by the State Fire Commissioner

Whenever the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies marshals or assistants shall find any building premises or property which for any cause or reason are especially liable to fire or in any way a menace to human life or shall find that any building premises or property are so situate as to endanger any other building premises or property or is so occupied that in the event of fire it would endanger human life or property therein the State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals shall order such building or buildings premises or property to be repaired and placed in a safe condition within such reasonable time as may be specified in said order

If the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies marshals or assistants shall find in any building or upon any premises any unnecessary accumulation of rubbish rags waste paper boxes chavings or any other inflammable material or any oil naphtha gasoline kerosene blasting powder gunpowder dynamite or any other explosive or highly inflammable or combustible material or shall find any other condition whatsoever which is a menace to human life or endangers the safety of any such building premises or property or shall find any obstruction on or about fire escapes stair passageways doors or windows which would be liable to interfere with the free ingress or egress he or they shall order the same removed and conditions remedied within a reasonable time to be specified in said order

Whenever the State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or assistants shall find any building or buildings or any part thereof which for any cause or reason jeopardizes human life or constitute a fire menace and which cannot be removed by making repairs the State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals shall order said building or buildings or any part thereof to be demolished specifying in said order the reason or reasons therefor and also specifying a reasonable time within which said building or buildings or parts thereof shall be demolished and removed

All such orders shall be in writing and shall be made and served upon the owner life tenant lessee or occupant of such building premises or property or upon the agent of the owner life tenant lessee or occupant in the manner following

(a) By handing a true copy thereof to such owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent thereof or

(b) By posting a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on the said building premises or property and mailing a copy thereof to the said owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent thereof to their last known address In case no address is known or cannot be ascertained then in lieu of such mailing a copy of said order there shall in addition to the above mentioned posting thereof be handed a copy of said order to an adult occupant or to a person if any there be in charge of said building premises or property or to an adult member of the family

Any owner life tenant less occupant or agent upon whom any such order may be made or served by any of the deputies marshals or assistants may within five days from the service of said initial order appeal to the State Fire Commissioner by petition in writing setting forth succinctly under oath or affirmation the facts and reasons upon which said appeal is based whereupon the State Fire Commissioner shall review the facts upon which such order was made and the grounds or reason for such appeal and make his final order in writing within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of appeal by affirming revoking or modifying the original order The final order in such case shall be served upon the owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent in the same manner as the order hereinbefore provided The entire record in any such case shall be filed in the office of the State Fire Commissioner and shall be open to the inspection of the appellant or any person against whom the same may have been made

If the said initial order is affirmed or modified the same shall be complied with by such owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent named therein within the time therein specified

Any owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent aggrieved by any initial or final order of the State Fire Commissioner may appeal therefrom to the court of common pleas of the county in which the real or personal property in question is situate within five days after the service of any such order of the State Fire Commissioner Such owner life tenant lessee occupant or agent shall as a condition precedent to such right of appeal give notice in writing to the State Fire Commissioner of his intention to take such appeal Such notice of intention to appeal shall be given by mailing the same by registered mail to the office of the State Fire Commissioner in the City of Harrisburg

The appeal to the court shall be by petition under oath or affirmation setting forth succinctly the reasons for said appeal and there shall be filed with said appeal proof of service upon the State Fire Commissioner in the manner aforesaid of the said notice of intention to take such appeal A certified copy of such petition shall be mailed by registered mail to the State Fire Commissioner at his office in the City of Harrisburg on the same day upon which the said petition is presented and filed in court

Upon the presentation of such petition the court shall summarily hear and determine the reasonableness and lawfulness of the final order of the State Fire Commissioner The appellant shall give immediate notice of the day fixed for hearing in writing by registered mail to the State Fire Commissioner at his office in the City of Harrisburg The date of hearing as fixed by the court shall not be earlier than five days nor later than twenty days after the presentation of such petition Upon the presentation of such petition the court may suspend the order of the

State Fire Commissioner pending the final hearing and order of the court upon the appellant filing a bond with surety approved by the court in an amount not less than one hundred dollars ($100) conditioned as the court may deem proper including however the condition that the appellant shall pay all the costs of such appeal in the event that the appeal is dismissed

The appellant at the time of the presentation of the petition shall have the right to demand by writing presented and filed with his appeal a trial by jury If the order of the State Fire Commissioner appealed from shall be of such a character that its enforcement would affect any rights of the petitioner concerning the determination of which a trial by jury is secured by the Constitution of the Commonwealth the court shall direct an issue to be framed to determine such matters and shall advance such case to the head of the next trial list of said court Pending any trial by jury and the final judgment thereon the court may enter an order suspending the order of the State Fire Commissioner in the manner hereinbefore provided in cases where no trial by jury is demanded

The judgment of the court of common pleas upon appeal affirming modifying or revoking the order of the State Fire Commissioner appealed from shall be final If the judgment is against the appellant or if the appeal is dismissed judgment for costs shall be entered against the appellant

Any owner life tenant lessee or occupant upon whom or upon whose agent any initial or final order of the State Fire Commissioner or any order of the deputies or assistants aforesaid shall have been served as aforesaid who shall neglect fail or refuse to comply with the terms of such order within thirty days after the service thereof or in the event of an appeal as hereinbefore provided then within thirty days after the final order of the State Fire Commissioner or the final judgment of the court as the case may be shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each day's neglect or be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the court

In case any initial or final order shall direct the repair or removal of any building or part thereof and the owner shall fail neglect or refuse to comply with such order then the State Fire Commisioner may cause such building to be repaired or demolished and the materials removed as the case may be at the expense of the owner or owners The initial expense of such repairs or removal shall be paid by the State Fire Commissioner out of funds appropriated for such purposes If the owner or owners shall thereafter fail neglect or refuse to pay the costs and expense thus incurred into the State Treasury within ten days from the receipts of notice of the amount thereof the State Fire Commissioner shall within sixty days from the date at which such notice is sent certify said costs and expenses together with twenty-five per centum penalty thereon to the prothonotary of the county in which said real estate is situate for entry as a lien against the property in question Such lien shall have priority to and be fully paid and satisfied out of the proceeds of any judicial sale of said property before any other obligation judgment claim lien or estate with which said property may become charged or for which it may become liable save only liens for taxes and municipal improvements and the costs of the sale and of the writ upon which it is made Said lien shall be revived and collected as municipal liens are now by law revived and collected and when the amount of said lien penalty and costs has been paid to or collected by the State Fire Commisioner he shall cause such lien to be satisfied of record and pay the proceeds into the State Treasury Provided however That no bona fide judgment claim or lien of record against such property prior to the date of approval of this act shall be affected by any lien filed pursuant to the provisions hereof

Section 6 That the sixth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 6 The State Fire Marshal or his deputies in addition to the investigation made by any of the assistants may at any time investigate the origin or circumstances of any fire occurring in this Commonwealth The State Fire Marshal his deputies and assistants shall have the power to summon witnesses and compel them to attend before them or either of them and to testify in relation to any matter which is by the provisions of this act a subject of inquiry and investigation and may require the production of any books papers or documents deemed pertinent or necessary to the inquiry and shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations to any person appearing as a witness before them such examination may be public or private as the officers conducting the investigation may determine

"No person shall be excused from attending before the said Fire Marshal or any of his deputies or assistants when summoned so to attend nor when ordered so to do shall he be excused from testifying or producing any books papers or documents before such officer upon any investigation proceeding or inquiry instituted under the provisions of this act upon the ground or for the reason that the testimony or the evidence documentary or otherwise required of him may tend to convict him of a crime or subject him to a penalty or forfeiture but no person shall be prosecuted or subjected to a penalty or forfeiture for or on account of any transaction matter or thing concerning which he may have been requiredso to testify or produce evidence documentary or otherwise and no testimony so given or produced shall be received against him upon any criminal investigation or proceeding If after any such examination the State Fire Marshal or any of his deputies or assistants is of the opinion that the facts in relation to such fire indicate that a crime has been committed he shall present the testimony taken on such examination together with any other data in his possession to the district attorney of the proper county with the request that he institute such criminal proceedings as such testimony or data may warrant

"The State Fire Marshal or his deputies or his assistants may at all reasonable hours enter any building or premises within his or their jurisdiction for the purpose of making an inspection which under the provision of this act he or they may deem necessary to be made" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 6 The State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals in addition to any investigation made by any of the assistants may at any time investigate the origin or circumstances of any fire occurring in this Commonwealth The State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals shall have the power to summon witnesses and compel their attendance and to secure their testimony in relation to any matter which is by the provisions of this act a subject of inquiry and investigation and may require the production of any books papers or documents deemed pertinent or necessary to the inquiry and shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations to any person appearing as a witness before them Such examination may be public or private as the State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals conducting the inevstigation may determine Persons other than those required to be present may be excluded from the place where such examination is held and witnesses may be kept separate and apart from each other and not allowed to communicate with each other until they have been examined and false swearing in any matter aforesaid shall be perjury and prosecuted as such

No person shall be excused from attending before the said State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals when summoned so to attend nor when ordered so to do shall he be excused from testifying or producing any books papers or documents before such officer upon any investigation proceeding or inquiry instituted under the provisions of this act upon the ground or for the reason that the testimony or the evidence documentary or otherwise required of him may tend ot convict him of a crime or subject him to a penalty or forfeiture but no person shall be prosecuted or subjected to a penalty or forfeiture for or on account of any evidence which shall be given or produced by him under such requirements and no testimony so given or produced shall be received against him upon any criminal investigation or proceeding

If after any examination the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals shall be of the opinion that the facts in relation to such fire indicate that the same has been of incendiary origin the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals shall be and are hereby authorized and empowered to arrest with or without warrant any person whose guilt of arson may be indicated by the evidence and shall be proceeded against as provided by law

Each witness appearing at any such investigation in compliance with a notice to attend shall receive from the Commonwealth through the said State Fire Commissioner such fees and mileage as are now allowed by law to witnesses in courts of record of this Commonwealth

Any constable or officer with police power who shall refuse or neglect to execute any warrant or subpoena issued by the State Fire Commissioner or any of his deputies or marshals or any person who shall wilfully hinder or obstruct the State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or assistants in the performance of their duties shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon the conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred ($100) dollars or suffer imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court

The State Fire Commissioner may employ from time to time one or more competent detectives when in his opinion it becomes necessary so to do Such detectives shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the State Fire Commissioner to be paid out of the funds appropriated to the State Fire Commissioner for such purpose

The State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or such assistants as may be authorized by the State Fire Commissioner in making inspections within their jurisdiction may at all reasonable hours enter any building or premises for the purpose of making such inspection Any owner life tenant lessee or occupant of said premises or any agent or representative of any person in possession thereof who shall refuse permission for such inspection or shall prevent or attempt to prevent entry for such purpose shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten (10) dollars nor more than fifty (50) dollars or undergo an imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the court

Section 7 That the seventh section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 7 Any witness who refuses to obey a summons of the State Fire Marshal his deputies or assistants or who refuses to be sworn or to testify or who disobeys any lawful order of the State Fire Marshal his deputies or assistants in relation to any investigation instituted by him or them or who fails or refuses to produce any books papers or documents touching any matter under investigation or examination or who is guilty of any contempt after being summoned to appear before him or either of them to give testimony in relation to any matter or subject under examination or investigation as aforesaid may be punished as for contempt of court For this purpose application may be made to any court within whose jurisdiction the contempt in question took

place and for which purpose the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth are hereby given jurisdiction" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 Any person who shall refuse to obey a summons or notice of the State Fire Commissioner or his deputies or marshals to appear and testify or who when duly notified shall refuse to be sworn or to testify in relation to any investigation instituted by him or them or who shall fail or refuse to produce any books papers or documents touching any matter under investigation or examination shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty (50) dollars nor more than two hundred (200) dollars or to undergo an imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding three months or both at the discretion of the court

Section 8 That the eighth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 8 The State Fire Marshal shall keep in his office all records which may be sent him in accordance with law relative to the physical condition of buildings whether the laws and ordinances have been complied with so far as the same relate to fire protection records of application for fire insurance upon any buildings or other information relating thereto which may be sent him in compliance with law and shall also keep a record of all fires occurring in this State and of all the facts concerning the same including statistics as to the extent of such fires and the damages caused thereby and whether such losses were covered by insurance and if so in what amount Such records shall be made daily from the reports made to him by his assistants under the provisions of this act All such records shall be public except that any testimony taken in investigations under the provisions of this act may be withheld from the public in the discretion of the State Fire Marshal

"It shall be the duty of the State Fire Marshal to prepare blank forms for the furnishing of information by owners or occupants of buildings throughout the Commonwealth of the condition of such buildings with regard to fire protection The said blanks shall contain notice to such property owners or occupants of proper rules and regulations to minimize the danger of fire and to suppress fire waste and shall contain certain questions requesting information of a definite character to show the condition of the buildings as aforesaid These blank forms shall be furnished by the Fire Marshal to officers whose duty it is to receipt for taxes on real property in every part of the Commonwealth to be given by them to property owners together with their tax bills (two forms for each property) with the requirements that one properly filled out be forwarded to the State Fire Marshal at once for filing among the records of his office and that the other be so forwarded six months thereafter" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 8 The State Fire Commissioner shall keep and preserve in his office a record of all fires occurring in this Commonwealth and of all the facts concerning the same which seem pertinent and important including however in all cases statistics showing the extent of such fires and the damage caused thereby and whether such losses were covered by insurance and if so in what amount Such records shall be made daily from the reports made to him by his deputies marshals and assistants All such records shall be public except that any testimony taken in investigations conducted by the State Fire Commissioner or his deputies marshals or assistants may at the discretion of the State Fire Commissioner be withheld from the public

Section 9 That the tenth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 10 It shall be the duty of the fire marshal to prepare in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction books of instruction for use in the public and private schools of students of all grades with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and of the principals or other persons in charge of the various schools in this Commonwealth to provide for the instruction and training of pupils of such schools by means of drills so that they may in sudden emergencies be able to leave the school buildings in the shortest possible time without confusion or panic Such drills shall be held at least once a month when the schools are in session Books of instruction with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste as above specified shall be published at the expense of the State under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and shall be distributed in sufficient quantities for the use of the schools as herein provided and the curriculum of such schools shall include some regular and continuous study of such subjects during the entire school year" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 10 It shall be the duty of the State Fire Commissioner to prepare in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction books of instruction for use in the public and private schools of students of all grades with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and of the principals or other persons in charge of the various schools in this Commonwealth to provide for the instruction and training of pupils of such schools by means of drills so that they may in sudden emergencies be able to leave the school buildings in the shortest possible time without confusion or panic Such drills shall be held at least once a month when the schools are in session Books of instruction with regard to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire waste as above specified shall be published at the expense of the State under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and shall be distributed in sufficient quantities for the use of the schools as herein provided and the curriculum of such schools shall include some regular and continuous study of such subjects during the entire school year The State Fire Commissioner his deputies marshals or assistants may at any time visit the schools in their respective district and as certain whether fire drills and instructions or fire prevention are being carried out If they find the same are being neglected they shall notify the district or county superintendent of such neglect and immediately report their action in writing to the State Fire Commissioner The State Fire Commissioner his deputies or marshals may at any time require fire drills to be held in any school or any other building they may be inspecting and shall note whether such drills are conducted in a proper manner and they shall note the time expiring between the sounding of the alarm and the exit from the building and make a report of the same to the State Fire Commissioner

Section 10 That the eleventh section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 11 The State Fire Marshal shall make an annual report to the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before the first day of February of each year setting forth a full report of the work of his office during the preceding calendar year including such statistics as he may desire to include therein He shall also recommend in his report such legislation if any as in his judgment may be desirable to further carry out the purpose of this law for the prevention of fire waste such recommendation shall include a draft of an act providing for the adoption of a standard municipal building code and a draft of an act providing for a standard fire insurance policy for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which drafts shall be reported on or before January first one thousand nine hundred and thirteen" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 11 The State Fire Commissioner shall make an annual report to the Governor of the Commonwealth on or before the first day of September of each year setting forth a full report of the work of his office during the preceding year including such statistics as he may desire to include therein He shall also recommend in his report such additional or other legislation if any as in his judgment may be desirable to more effectually accomplish the purpose of this act

Section 11 That the twelfth section of said act which now reads as follows

"Section 12 The assistants of the State Fire Marshal not receiving a salary for the performance of public duties shall receive upon the audit of the State Fire Marshal fifty cents for each report of each seperate fire reported to the State Fire Marshal under this act and in addition thereto shall be paid the sum of fifteen cents for each mile traveled to the place of fire and in the discretion of the State Fire Marshal where an investigation has been made a sum not to exceed three (3) dollars for each day's service spent in such investigation" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 12 The Assistant State Fire Marshal shall receive quarterly upon the audit and certificate of the State Fire Commissioner for each report of each separate fire made under the provisions of this act the following fees

In all cities boroughs towns or townships fifty cents (50c) for each fire reported

In addition to said fees each assistant located in a township shall receive the sum of fifteen (15) cents for each mile actually traveled to and from the place of the fire reported At the discretion of the State Fire Commissioner where an inspection or an investigation has been ordered the assistant shall receive a sum not to exceed three dollars ($3.00) for each day during which he was necessarily employed in said investigation eight hours constituting a day In no case shall a report of a fire inspection or investigation be paid for unless the same shall be made out fully in the manner and form prescribed by the State Fire Commissioner under the provisions of this act

Section 13 The printing and binding deemed necessary by the State Fire Commissioner in the proper performance of the duties herein imposed shall be done by the State Printer upon order of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding upon requisition of the State Fire Commissioner

Section 14 Excepting as is herein otherwise specifically provided Every person who violates any of the provisions of this act or any rules or regulations of the State Fire Commissioner or who resists or interferes with any officer or agent of the Department of Fire Prevention in the performance of his duty in accordance with the said rules or regulations shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100) or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days or both at the discretion of the court

Section 15 That the fifteenth section of this act which now reads as follows

"Section 15 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 15 All acts or parts of acts general local or special inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

Section 16 The provisions of this act and the act to which this act is an amendment shall not be operative in cities having a population of five hundred thousand and over

Section 17 The State Fire Marshal now in office shall become the State Fire Commissioner provided for by this act and shall possess all the powers and be subject to all the duties and responsibilities imposed by this act and all other acts of Assembly in any manner relating to the State Fire Marshal until such time as he shall resign be reappointed or removed or his successor be appointed and has qualified

Section 18 That the fourteenth section of said act be and the same is hereby repealed

Section 19 It is hereby declared that this act and the act to which this is an amendment is necessary for the public safety health peace and welfare is remedial in nature and shall be construed liberally If any section or portion thereof of this act is declared unconstitutional such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—29.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McKee,	Tompkins,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	McNichol,	Vare,
Burke,	Jones,	Miller,	Warner,
Craig,	Kline,	Patton,	Weaver,
Croft,	Lynch,	Phipps,	Beidleman,
Crow,	Martin,	Sassaman,	Pres. pro tem.
Daix,		Semmens,	

NAYS—1.

Smith, W. W.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 480, as follows:

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy) entitled "An Act to amend revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers sailors and marines" which reads as follows

"Section 5 It shall also be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon the death of any soldier sailor or marine who shall be buried within their counties under the provisions of this act to cause a headstone to be placed at the head of the grave of each such deceased soldier sailor or marine containing his name and if possible the organization to which he belonged or in which he served to be of such material and design as they may deem suitable and the expense for the same shall be paid out of the funds of the county in which such soldier sailor or marine died or shall have had his legal residence Provided however That the expense shall not exceed the sum of fifteen dollars for each headstone and the county commissioners of each county acting under this section shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of their county for the payment of said expense in favor of the party or parties furnishing such headstone" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 It shall also be the duty of the county commissioners of each county in this State upon the death of any soldier sailor or marine who shall be buried within their counties under the provisions of this act to cause a headstone to be placed at the head of the grave of each such deceased soldier sailor or marine containing his name and if possible the organization to which he belonged or in which he served to be of such material and design as they may deem suitable and the expense for the same shall be paid out of the funds of the county in which such soldier sailor or marine died or shall have had his legal residence Provided however That the expense shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five dollars for each headstone and the county commissioners of each county acting under this section shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of their county for the payment of said expenses in favor of the party or parties furnishing such headstone And provided further That the county commissioners are hereby authorized to pay to any relatives or friends of such deceased soldier sailor or marine the said sum of twenty-five dollars for each headstone and the county commissioners of each county acting under this section shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of their county for the payment of said expense in favor of the party or parties furnishing such headstone

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—28.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Tompkins,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Martin,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
			Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 588, entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, before the Senate takes a vote on this bill I would like the Senator from Philadelphia, Senator McNichol, to explain the purpose of the bill.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, this bill is for the purpose of correcting a condition which was found to exist in the placing of the funds of the State Insurance Department into the hands of a company located on the other side of the water that is neither assessed nor taxed and does not pay a dollar for doing business in the State of Pennsylvania; and this act merely corrects this condition so that there shall be some consideration shown to companies now doing business in the State and paying taxes for doing that business. It is a bill, I think, that has merit to it because if we open the door and permit companies to do business in the State of Pennsylvania without paying the necessary license as required by law we will be met in a few years from now with bills asking for permission for companies outside of this State to do business without paying taxes and I think it is best to take time by the forelock and correct that condition, because the people who are paying the taxes and furnishing the revenues of this great State should at least have some measure of protection.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to interrogate the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I will.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to ask the Senator if it isn't true that all insurance companies of Philadelphia or Pennsylvania refused to take this very insurance business that this bill relates to from the insurance fund.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, only when the Insurance Fund Commission made the rate of insurance by the private concerns so exorbitantly high to protect the State Insurance Fund did they refuse to take this insurance, as I have been informed.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, the manager of the State Insurance Fund informed me recently that at the time Lloyds was brought in to protect this insurance that the State did not care to hold that all other insurance companies in Pennsylvania refused to take it. They had a combination among themselves and would not relieve the State of this part of the insurance that the State Fund wanted to be relieved of, therefore they had to do the next best thing and take whoever would do it. He also informed me that if we passed this Act it will cost the State for the same amount of insurance next year $38,000, even if we get the State insurance companies to take it. So if the Senators vote for this bill they vote with their eyes open. Lloyds runs the risk that the State does not care to carry $38,000 cheaper than any company in the State of Pennsylvania would insure it for, provided these companies would take it at all. Up to now they have refused to take any of it.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, of course individuals as well as corporations can get a considerably large reduction in premium rates if they are dealing with a company that does not have any obligations to pay to the State of Pennsylvania. I can go out and have my own insurance with a foreign corporation, if I would be permitted to do so by the State of Pennsylvania, but if we are exacting a revenue for the purpose of operating the departments of this government and exacting a toll from these companies, why should we permit them to be deprived of participation in business in this State simply because it is going to increase expenditure of say $38,000 as Senator Vare says—I am not just at this time decided to admit that it is true—but there must be a measure of increase, because, as I said before, if we are going to exact a revenue from these companies we have got the right to give them an opportunity to dispose of and take our business and make a reasonable commission as compared with people on the other side who are under no obligation. If an accident relating to this fund takes place there is no right of action in the courts of the United States. We have got to send our attorneys to the other side to defend that action and take whatever judgment is meted out to us. It is only a reasonable, fair bill, without any purpose of crippling any person and without any malice to it, but it is a first class business proposition, that we have a right to be fair to the people we are exacting taxation from, as we are asking them to be fair in their dealings with us.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, would it not be getting nearer to the point and nearer to the correction of this evil, if there is any, to pass a law making all companies that do insure in this State pay taxes, rather than put the State in a position whereby they have got to depend on companies that up to this time have absolutely refused to take this insurance in any way. Suppose you pass the act and the insurance companies of Pennsylvania refuse to take the insurance, then the State has to carry that insurance risk that they do not care to carry, that is the only difference. I think Senator McNichol is right insofar as companies that pay taxes in Pennsylvania ought to have their rights. They ought to be protected, but this is not the way to protest them, by keeping other companies out, rather let other companies come in and charge them the same fees, the same tax, that you charge the companies already in. I have no interest in Lloyds or anybody else. Nobody spoke to me about this except the manager of the Insurance Fund. He said if you pass this bill and it becomes a law, then the State has to pay at least $38,000 more than they are paying now for the same amount of insurance. That is not the only thing. He is not sure that Pennsylvania insurance companies want this insurance, because up to now they have refused to take it at any price. Any Senator that votes for this does so with his eyes open. So far as I am concerned, I cannot see it.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask that this bill go over in its order for the purpose of giving the Senators an opportunity of enlightening themselves on the merits of the bill, but before that motion is put I would like to call Senator Vare's attention to the fact that no company is permitted to do business in the State of Pennsylvania without paying a tax, in compliance with the laws of the State, but here we have an exhibition of a department of the State permitting a violation of the law upon the flimsy pretext of saving a few thousand dollars.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would like to correct that last statement. The State Insurance Fund, of which Charlie Johnson was one, tried in every way to get insurance in this State, and the companies absolutely refused to take it. They did not go get Lloyds because they were going to save money, they only wanted to get these insurance companies to take the risk the State did not care to carry, the most dangerous of all risks, and that is why they got Lloyds. They needed insurance companies to take the risk that the State insurance companies did not care to take. Nobody around here has any interest in Lloyds. I do not want that impression to get out.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I did not mean to create that impression. Whether it was Charlie Johnson or Boise Penrose who was Insurance Commissioner of the State of Pennsylvania, I think this bill has merit, and the people of Pennsylvania have a right to the protection of this legislation.

The PRESIDENT. The only motion in order would be a motion to postpone as the bill has been read and has been debated.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 619, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction, reconstruction and improvement of State Highways.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEALES. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 662, on third reading, entitled

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 667, on third reading, entitled

An Act requiring all counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 696, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act, approved April 4th, 1907, entitled "An Act creating, in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million, a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said Board, and regulating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that, where said board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only, the president of the board, in case of a tie vote, shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 698, entitled

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names, styles or title identical with or similar to the names, styles or titles of State boards, commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names, styles or titles, where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations, and those of said State boards, commissions or other activities.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—31.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McConnell,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Tompkins,
Burke,	Hindman,	Miller,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jones,	Phipps,	Whitten,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 700, on third reading, entitled

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a Committee of the Department of Labor and Industry and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. WEAVER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 325, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for the sale, distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 334, as follows:

An Act concerning vocational education and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the provisions of the act of Congress approved February twenty-third one thousand nine hundred seventeen entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditure" and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education

Whereas An Act of Congress approved February twenty-third one thousand nine hundred seventeen providing for the promotion of vocational education requires the States participating in its benefits to accept the provisions of said act therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby accepts the provisions of the act of Congress approved February twenty-third one thousand nine hundred seventeen entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditure"

Section 2 The State Board of Education through the Bureau of Vocational Education is hereby authorized to co-operate with the Federal Board for Vocational Education in the administration of the provisions of said act of Congress

Section 3 The Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this act to the Federal Board for Vocational Education

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate bill No. 335, as follows:

An Act to amend section two thousand thirty-four of article twenty of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven by authorizing and empowering the State Board of Education to make purchases and sales of real estate for normal schools purchased by the State

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two thousand and thirty-four of article twenty of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven which reads as follows

"Section 2034 Upon the payment of the purchase money to the stockholders of any such State Normal School properly executed deeds of conveyance for all of its real es-

tate together with all of its other property shall be delivered to the Commonwealth and thereafter such State Normal School shall be owned controlled and maintained as a State Institution

"The Corporation of any State Normal School conveying its property to the Commonwealth as herein provided shall then be dissolved by the stockholders thereof in the manner provided by law" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2034 Upon the payment of the purchase money to the stockholders of any such Normal School properly executed deeds of conveyance for all of its real estate together with all its other property shall be delivered to the Commonwealth and thereafter such State Normal School shall be owned controlled and maintained as a State institution and the State Board of Education is hereby vested with full power and authority to purchase in the name of the Commonwealth for any such Normal School from the earnings thereof or from moneys specifically appropriated therefor by the Commonwealth any real estate deemed necessary and proper for the use of any such Normal School and to lease grant sell and convey by agreement deed or other proper instrument of writing the real estate of any such Normal School or any portion thereof when it appears that the same shall be no longer needed for the use thereof or that the interests of the Commonwealth or its citizens will be promoted thereby

The corporation of any State Normal School conveying its property to the Commonwealth as herein provided shall then be dissolved by the stockholders in the manner provided by law

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 379, as follows:

An Act creating a Bureau of Markets for agricultural products within the Department of Agriculture providing for the appointment of a Director of Markets and for the administration of said bureau prescribing the powers and duties thereof prohibiting marketing of such products contrary to the provisions of this act and prescribing penalties for violation thereof and making an appropriation to the bureau hereby created

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That for the purpose of promoting proper efficient and economical handling packing transporting storage distribution inspection and sale of agricultural products of all kinds within this Commonwealth and for the further purpose of assisting producers and consumers thereof in selling and purchasing the same under fair conditions and at fair and reasonable prices there is hereby created within the Department of Agriculture a Bureau of Markets

Section 2 The Secretary of Agriculture with the approval of the Governor and Commission shall appoint upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture a Director of Markets (hereinafter called the Director) who shall be qualified for the performance of his duties under this act by practical training and experience He shall be appointed for the term of four years and shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office and shall receive the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000) per annum for his services and also be allowed his necessary traveling and other expenses actually incurred in the performance of his duties

The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to appoint such competent and experienced persons to assist the director and such clerical and other assistants as may be necessary to carry out the intent of this act who shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of Agriculture and shall receive such compensation for their services as he and the director shall determine

Section 3 The director shall be the chief executive officer of the Bureau of Markets and it shall be his duty to organize said bureau and to plan and formulate the work to be done and carry out the provisions of this act and he shall

(a) Investigate methods and practices in connection with the production handling standardizing grading classifying sorting weighing packing transportation storage inspection and sale of agricultural products of all kinds within this Commonwealth and all matters relevant thereto

(b) Gather formulate and disseminate information in such form and at such times as he shall deem advisable relating to the matters mentioned in subsection (a) hereof in all their phases and by correspondence publication advice experimentation or by any other practical means shall keep producers purchasers and consumers informed of the supply and demand of all such products and of the markets at which the same can be best and most efficiently and most economically sold or procured.

(c) Publish periodical bulletins setting forth the current market prices for all such products in the several places of principal market therefor within the State and elsewhere and so far as practicable furnish data regarding the available supplies thereof and the demand therefor in said places

(d) Ascertain sources of supply of all such products and prepare and publish from time to time lists of the names and addresses of producers and consignors thereof and furnish the same without charge to persons applying therefor

(e) Secure in the performance of the duties of his office the co-operation and assistance of the Office of Markets of the Department of Agriculture of the United States similar offices bureaus or departments of other states and of Pennsylvania State College or of any other organization that may be of assistance therein

(f) Assist and advise in the organization and conduct for improving relations and services among producers of public markets of co-operative and other associations distributors and consumers and methods and practices in connection with the several matters mentioned in subsection (a) hereof and all matters relevant thereto

(g) Investigate delays embargoes conditions practices charges and rates in the transportation and handling of all such agricultural products and when the same may be warranted in his opinion may cause such proceedings to be instituted before the proper courts or other tribunals as may be necessary to improve and adjust the same and when he shall deem it advisable may cause to be instituted proper proceedings to prevent unlawful combinations or agreements in restraint of trade or for fixing prices

(h) Whenever it shall appear that any agricultural products are liable to spoil or waste or depreciate in value for lack of ready market take such steps as may be deemed advisable to benefit the producers distributors and consumers thereof and to prevent waste

(i) Take such other measures as shall be proper for carrying out the purposes of this act

Section 4 The director shall likewise formulate and announce proper and fair standards grades or classes for and among agricultural products of all kinds and may modify or supplement the same from time to time and shall recommend the same to co-operative and other like associations of producers distributors and vendors thereof as the standards grades or classes to be adopted in marketing the same

The Bureau of Markets is hereby authorized by its agents and employes to render services to any producer distributor vendor or other person or corporation interested in the production and sale of agricultural products in inspecting and determining the standard grade or class of said agricultural products in accordance with standards grades and classes formulated and announced as aforesaid by the director and shall have authority to mark distinctly all products so inspected and standardized graded or classified with proper labels which shall be in a form to be prescribed and made public by the director and for such services and labels the Bureau of Markets shall charge collect and receive such sums as may be fixed in the schedule of fees hereinafter provided for

The director shall from time to time prescribe and make public a schedule of fees to be charged by the bureau for its services and labels as aforesaid which shall be uniform throughout the Commonwealth for like kinds of products. All fees so collected shall be paid by the Bureau of Markets to the State Treasurer

Section 5 It shall be unlawful for any person or persons corporation or corporations

(a) To mark designate or identify any agricultural product or any container thereof with the label so prescribed and made public by the director unless the same have in fact been inspected standardized graded or classified and marked by the Bureau of Markets as provided in section six hereof

(b) To mark designate or identify any agricultural products or any container thereof with any label so similar in design wording or appearance to the label so prescribed and made public by the director as to deceive or mislead the public or to induce the public to believe that the same had been in fact inspected standardized graded classified and marked by the Bureau of Markets as aforesaid

Any person or corporation violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars or to undergo imprisonment for not less than thirty days nor more than one year or both at the discretion of the court

Section 6 The director shall make an annual report to the Secretary of Agriculture on or before the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and annually thereafter in which shall be set forth a summary of the work performed by the Bureau of Markets during the preceding calendar year a statement of the plans made for the development of the work a detailed financial statement of receipts and expenditures and an estimate of financial requirements of the division for the next two fiscal years and such other matters as may appear advisable to the secretary

Section 7 The sum of sixty thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated for the use of the Bureau of Markets in carrying out the provisions of this act for the two fiscal years beginning the first day of July one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 8 If any section or part of this act shall be declared unconstitutional for any reason whatsoever the same shall not affect the validity of any other section or part hereof

Section 9 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

Section 10 The act shall take effect immediately upon its passage

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 379, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 702 (House Bill No. 612), on second reading, entitled

An Act providing for the organization, government, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the armed land forces of this Commonwealth.

be recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 703 (House Bill No. 633), on second reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of certain seeds; providing for the selection of samples thereof and their examination by the Department of Agriculture, and the publication of information concerning the same; providing also for the enforcement of the act and fixing penalties for its violation."

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 749, as follows:

An Act amending section three of an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others by prescribing penalties for violations thereof by defining the procedure in prosecutions and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof' approved the twenty-fifth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days" by providing that the restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions hotels and boarding houses

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others by prescribing penalties for violations thereof by defining the procedure in prosecutions and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof' approve the twenty-fifth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days" which reads as follows

"Section 3 (a) No female shall be employed or permitted to work in or in connection with any establishment for more than six days in any one week or more than fifty-four hours in any one week or more than ten hours in any one day Provided That during weeks in which a legal holiday occurs and is observed by an establishment any female may be employed by such establishment during three days of such week for a longer period of time than is allowed by this act but no female shall be permitted to work more than two hours overtime during any one of such three days nor more than the maximum hours per week specified in this act

"The employment of such persons at any other time than as stated herein shall be deemed a violation of the provisions of this section unless it appears that such employment was to make up time lost in the same week in consequence of the alteration repairs or accidents to machinery or plant upon which she was employed and dependent for employment but no stopping of machinery for less than thirty consecutive minutes shall justify such overtime employment nor shall such overtime employment be legal unless a written report of the same is sent to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry but no female shall be permitted to work more than two hours overtime during any one day nor more than the maximum number of hours per week specified in this act Provided That aforesaid restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged in the canning of fruit and vegetable products And provided further That the one day of holiday in seven may be subdivided into two days of twelve hours each for women employes in hotels boarding-houses and in charitable educational and religious institutions at the discretion of the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry Provided That if it should be hereafter held by the courts of this Commonwealth that the power herein sought to be granted to the said board is for any reason invalid such holding shall not be taken in any case to affect or impair the remaining provisions of this section

"(b) Whenever any female shall be employed or permitted to work in or in connection with more than one establishment in any one week or in any one day the aggregate number of hours during which she shall be employed or permitted to work in or in connection with such establishment shall not exceed the number of hours prescribed in this section for such females in any one week or any one day

"(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the work of nurses in hospitals" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 (a) No female shall be employed or permitted to work in or in connection with any establishment for more than six days in any one week or more than fifty-four hours in any one week or more than ten hours in any one day Provided That during weeks in which a legal holiday occurs and is observed by an establishment any female may be employed by such establishment during three days of such week for a longer period of time than is allowed by this act but no female shall be permited to work more than two hours overtime during any one of such three days nor more than the maximum hours per week specified in this act

The employment of such persons at any other time than as stated herein shall be deemed a violation of the provision of this section unless it appears that such employment was to make up time lost in the same week in consequence of the alteration repairs or accidents to machinery or plant upon which she was employed and dependent for employment but no stopping of machinery for less than thirty consecutive minutes shall justify such overtime employment nor shall such overtime employment be legal unless a written report of the same is sent to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry but no female shall be permitted to work more than two hours overtime during any one day nor more than the maximum number of hours per week specified in this act Provided That aforesaid restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged in the canning of fruit and vegetable products And provided That aforesaid restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions and hotels and boarding-houses And provided further That the one day of holiday in seven may be subdivided into two days of twelve hours each for women employes in hotels boarding-houses and in charitable educational and religious institutions at the discretion of the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry Provided That if it should be hereafter held by the courts of this Commonwealth that the power herein sought to be granted to the said board is for any reason in valid such holding shall not be taken in any case to affect or impair the remaining provisions of this section

(b) Whenever any female shall be employed or permitted to work in or in connection with more than one establishment in any one week or in any one day the aggregate number of hours during which she shall be employed or permitted to work in or in connection with such establishment shall not exceed the number of hours prescribed in this section for such female in any one week or any one day

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the work of nurses in hospitals

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 751, as follows:

Relating to motion-picture films reels or stereopticon views or slides providing a system of examination approval and regulation thereof and of the banners posters and other like advertising matter used in connection therewith creating in the Auditor General's Department Commissioner of Amusements and providing penalties for the violations of this act

Definitions

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the word "film" used in this act means what is usually known as a motion-picture film of one thousand two hundred lineal feet or less

The word "view" used in this act means what is usually known as a stereopticon view or slide

The word "person" includes an association co-partnership or a corporation

The words "banner poster and other advertising matter" used in this act includes announcements and heralds

Section 2 In order to carry out the provisions of this act there is hereby created in the Auditor General's Department to be known as "the Bureau of Amusements" which bureau shall be under the supervision of a commissioner which office is hereby established

Use of Films Reels or Views Prohibited

Section 3 It shall be unlawful to sell lease lend exhibit or use any motion-picture film reel or view in Pennsylvania unless the said film reel or view has been duly approved by the Commissioner of Amusements hereinafter called the commissioner

Commissioner

Section 4 The commissioner shall be a male resident and citizen of Pennsylvania well qualified by education and experience to act as commissioner under this act and one familiar with the duties of such office who shall be appointed by the Auditor General for a term of five years and until his successor shall be chosen if he so long behave himself well

Vacancy

Section 5 A vacancy due to the resignation or death of the commissioner shall be filled by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the unexpired term of office

Seal

Section 6 The commissioner shall procure and use an official seal which shall contain the words "Commissioner of Amusements" together with such design engraved thereon as the commissioner may prescribe

Approvals by the Commissioner

Section 7 The commisisoner shall examine or supervise the examinations in film script or scenario form of all films reels or views to be exhibited or used in Pennsylvania and shall approve such films reels or views which are moral and proper and shall disapprove such as are sacrilegious obscene indecent or immoral or such as tend in the judgment of the commissioner to debase or corrupt morals

This section shall not apply to moral or proper announcement or advertising slides nor moral or proper announcement or advertising films not exceeding one hundred feet in length consistent with the act

Certificate of Approval

Section 8 For each film reel or view which has been approved by the commissioner there shall be furnished and stamped by the commissioner or by his direction a certificate or statement of approval (subject to be revoked) which certificate shall be exhibited to the commissioner or any employe thereof upon demand of the holder thereof

Records of Examinations

Section 9 The commissioner shall keep a record of all examinations made of films reels or views and of the banners posters or other like advertising matter noting on the record all those which have been approved and those which have not been approved with the reason for such disapproval

Report

Section 10 The commissioner shall report in writing annually to the Auditor General on or after the first day of June of each year The report shall show

1 A record and a summary of the proceedings during the year immediately preceding the date of the report

2 The results of all examinations of films reels or views

3 A detailed statement of all prosecutions for violations of this act

4 A detailed and itemized statement of all expenditures made by or on behalf of the commissioner

5 Such other information as the commissioner may deem necessary or useful in explanation of the operations of the work

Oath and Bond

Section 11 The commissioner shall before assuming the duties of his office take and subscribe the oath prescribed by the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall enter bond to the Commonwealth in the sum of five thousand dollars conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties

Salaries

Section 12 The commissioner shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars payable monthly

Expenses

Section 13 The commissioner and each employe of the commissioner shall be allowed all expenses of whatsoever nature actually and necessarily incurred by him or her in carrying out the purposes of this act

Employes

Section 14 The commissioner shall appoint the following clerks and employes one deputy commissioner at a salary of three thousand dollars one chief clerk at a salary of two thousand dollars one assistant clerk at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars one assistant clerk at a salary of twelve hundred dollars one stenographer at a salary of twelve hundred dollars two stenographers and typists at salaries of one thousand each two stenographers and typists at salaries of seven hundred and twenty dollars each one chief inspector at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars three inspectors at salaries of fourteen hundred dollars each three inspectors at salaries of twelve hundred dollars each one operator who shall be an electrician at a salary of fourteen hundred dollars three operators at salaries of twelve hundred dollars each one messenger at a salary of seven hundred and twenty dollars one assistant operator or patcher at a salary of six hundred dollars The salaries provided for above shall be annual and payable monthly

In addition to the employes enumerated above the commissioner may appoint such additional employes as the work of the commissioner may necessarily require The salaries of such additional employes however shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of four thousand dollars annually and the commissioner may also appoint an attorney of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to represent the commissioner and to take charge of and assist in the prosecution of actions and proceedings by the commissioner and who shall act generally as legal adviser to the commissioner and who shall receive an annual salary of not more than fifteen hundred dollars to be paid monthly out of the appropriations of the commissioner

Disability of Commissioner

Section 15 In the event of the absence or disability of the commissioner or a vacancy in the office the deputy commissioner shall have and possess all the power and authority to perform the duties of the commisioner until such absence or disability is removed or the vacancy filled

Offices

Section 16 The Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings shall provide adequate offices and projection or inspection rooms for the commissioners in the capitol building or elsewhere in Harrisburg in Philadelphia and such other cities of the Commonwealth as the commissioner may require in carrying out the intent and provisions of this act

Supplies

Section 17 Upon requisition of the commissioner the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings shall furnish all furniture books stationery supplies machines paraphernalia and any other articles deemed necessary in the work of the commissioner

Printing and Binding

Section 18 The printing and binding necessary for the proper performance of the duties of the commissioner or the proper preservation of the records of the commissioner including the printing of three thousand copies of the annual report and the binding thereof shall be done by the State Printer upon the order of the Superintendent of Public Printing and Bindings upon requisition of the commissioner

Fees

Section 19 For the examination of each film reel or set of views of one thousand two hundred lineal feet or less the commissioner shall receive in advance a fee of one dollar and one dollar for each print or duplicate thereof which must be applied for at the same time and by the same person

Fees and Fines

Section 20 All fees received by the Commissioner and all fines imposed for violation of this act received by General Assembly to the commissioner bi-annually as an item in the general appropriation bill

Regulations of Exhibitions

Section 22 The commissioner and any employe of the commissioner may enter any place where films reels or views are exhibited or displayed and they are hereby empowered and authorized to prevent the display or exhibition of any film reel or view or of any banner poster or other like advertising matter which has not been approved by the commissioner

Regulation of Banners Posters and Advertising Matter

Section 23 A copy of each banner poster or other like advertising matter shall at the discretion of the Commissioner be submitted to him for approval or disapproval and any banner poster or other advertising matter which has not been approved shall not be exhibited or displayed in Pennsylvania

Rules

Section 24 This act shall be enforced by the commissioner in carrying out and enforcing the purposes of this act he may adopt such reasonable rules and standards as he may deem necessary Such rules and standards shall not be inconsistent with the laws of Pennsylvania

Disbursements

Section 25 All disbursements of such nature as to make it impracticable for the commissioner to file with the Auditor General itemized receipts or vouchers prior to the advance by the accounting officers of funds sufficient to meet such expense shall be paid out of money specifically appropriated for that purpose in the manner provided by an act entitled "An Act prescribing a method

for disbursing and accounting for certain appropriations to the departments bureaus commissioners and other branches of the State Government" approved April twenty-third Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine

Duties of Persons Who Sell Lease Exhibit or Use Films Reels or Views

Section 26 Every person intending to sell lease exhibit or use any film reel or view in Pennsylvania shall furnish to the commissioner when the application for approval is made a description of the film reel or view to be exhibited sold or leased and the purpose thereof and shall at the discretion of the commissioner sumbit the film reel or view in film script or scenario for to the commissioner for examination and shall also furnish a statement that the duplicate film reel or view is an exact copy of the original film reel or view as submitted for examination to the commissioner and that all eliminations changes or rejections made or required by the commissioner in the original film reel or view has been or will be made in the duplicate

Interference with the Commissioner and Employes

Section 27 It shall be unlawful for any person to hinder or interfere in any manner with the commissioner or any employe while performing any duties in carrying out the intent or provisions of this act

Re-Examination and Appeal

Section 28 If any elimination or disaprpoval of a film reel or view or banner poster or other like advertising matter is ordered by the commissioner the person submitting the same for examination shall receive immediate notice of such elimination or disapproval and if requested in writing within ten days such film reel or view or banner poster or other like advertising matter will be promptly re-examined in the presence of such person by the commissioner or by the deputy commissioner or inspector as designated by the commissioner for that purpose and the same approved approved with eliminations or disapproved promptly after such re-examination with the right of appeal from such action in writing within ten days to the commissioner who shall then promptly sit or authorize the deputy commissioner to sit or authorize either one or both to sit hear view and determine the matter or thing in dispute in the presence of the applicant and his counsel if desired and after such hearing the commissioner shall or authorize the deputy commissioner to change eliminate alter add to approve or disapprove such film reel or view or banner poster or other like advertising matter as the case may be as may seem right just and proper in his judgment and discretion and for that purpose shall have full and ample power to direct what shall be done in the premises and from which final examination and order of the commissioner The applicant shall have the right of appeal within thirty days to the court of common pleas of the proper county for the purpose of determining solely whether the said commissioner has acted arbitrarily or impulsively

Penalize

Section 29 Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act and is convicted thereof summarily before any alderman magistrate or justice of the peace shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars for the first offense For any subsequent offense the fine shall be not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars In default of payment of a fine and costs the defendant shall be sentenced to imprisonment in the prison of the county where such offense was committed for not less than ten days and not more than thirty days All fines shall be paid by the alderman magistrate or justice of the peace to the commissioner and by him paid into the State Treasury

Limitation of Scope of Act

Section 30 This act does not apply to any exhibition of or use of moral or proper films reels or views for purely educational charitable fraternal or religious purposes by any religious association fraternal society library museum public school or private school institution or learning or by any corporation

Unconstitutionality of Any Section

Section 31 The several sections and provisions of this act are hereby declared to be independent of each other and it is the legislative intent that if any of said sections or provisions are declared to be unconstitutional such sections or provisions shall not effect any other portion of this act

Repeal

Sectin 32 The act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act regulating the exhibiting or using of moving-pictures and stereoptican views providing for and regulating the examination and approval of moving-picture films or reels and stereopticon views and fixing penalties for the violation of this act" and the act approved the fifteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act relating to motion picture films reels stereopticon views or slides providing a system of examination approval and regulation thereof and of the banners posters and other like advertising matter used in connection therewith creating the Board of Censors and providing penalties for the violation of this act" and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 53, entitled

An Act authorizing trustees, guardians and other fiduciaries to sell, assign, alter, modify or supplement coal mining leases with the approval of the court having jurisdiction of their accounts.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 358, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for a commission to submit a revised penal code of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation for the expenses of the commission.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 358, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered; and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same; method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 555 (House Bill No. 472), entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 598 (House Bill No. 364), entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of the stock of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind or of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures not in the ordinary course of business; providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 614, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the provisions of the act of Congress approved February twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures," and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 615, entitled

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight, entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 617, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the maintenance and government of a county home in each county of the State for indigent orphans and for delinquent, incorrigible, indigent, dependent and neglected children under sixteen years of age and providing for their commitment thereto.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 648 (House Bill No. 905), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 655, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article three, section six, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 688, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of county treasurers in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 729, entitled

An Act to provide for an additional law judge of the several courts of the Thirty-eighth Judicial District.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 742, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

RECESS.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I second the motion.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 777, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the purpose of placing, caring for and removal of the exhibits of the institutions of Pennsylvania at the forty-fourth annual meeting of the National Conference of Charities and Correction, to be held in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from the sixth to the thirtenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. SEMMENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SEMMENS, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 756 (House Bill No. 376), entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 877.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives, informing the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to House Bill No. 877, entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

BILL SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman), announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bill had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

House bill No. 877, entitled

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 778, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest and service of process and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 779, entitled

An Act to permit street passenger railway companies and motor power companies operating the property and facilities of any street passenger railway company to operate omnibuses in connection with the lines of railways operated by them, with the consent of the local authorities.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 608 (House Bill No. 300), entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in the Commonwealth.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 600 (House Bill No. 461), entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class; providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 778, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest and service of process and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor" and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Monday evening, April 9, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M.

Mr. HACKETT. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12.03 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, April 9, 1917, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, April 4, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. S. G. Zerfass, offered the following prayer:

Great God, cause us to appreciate this beautiful day and notice nature's work to growing life, beauty and fragrance.

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling-place in all generations. Even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God. We desire to make Thee our heart's home. The mountains shall depart and the hills shall be removed, but our souls are immortal and are sure of undisturbed rest with Thee where there shall be a suitable home and a refuge of love forever.

Protect us from this world's enmities and draw us closer together. Deepen our home affections and make our home life sweeter.

Teach us patience in our natural relations, helping us to find the best things in each other, and give one to the other the best things of love in our hearts, being ever tender and affectionate so that our hearts and lips shall overflow with whatsoever things are lovely.

Forgive us all our sins and comfort us in our sorrows. Give us now Thy benediction to enable us to be ever giving out the good things of divine love and to appreciate Thee as the God of nature and eternity. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. McPeake, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. MANGAN. House Bill No. 1311.

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act regulating, through the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the business of assisting employers to obtain employes, and persons to secure employment, including the business of collecting information to the same end, and prescribing penalties," approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; vesting in the Commissioner of Labor ad Industry and his authorized agents special powers of arrest in certain cases; prescribing penalties; and providing that the procedure thereunder shall be in the form of summary criminal proceedings.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. PHILLIPS. House Bill No. 1312.

An Act imposing a State tax on all real estate taxable for county purposes, and also on all real estate and works of public service corporations; providing for the making of assessments and the collection of said tax by the several counties and cities co-extensive with counties in the same manner as county taxes; and declaring the purposes for which such taxes shall be used.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. OGDEN. House Bill No. 1313.

An Act requiring male residents above the age of twenty-two years to be possessed of a tax receipt before a county treasurer or justice of the peace shall issue a resident hunter's license, and providing penalties for violations of the provisions thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. OGDEN. House Bill No. 1314.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the counties of Wyoming and Luzerne.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HEYBURN. House Bill No. 1315.

An Act making an appropriation to St. Francis Country House located at Darby, Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BRADY. House Bill No. 1316.

An Act making an appropriation to the Saint Ignatius House for Homeless and Unemployed Men located at Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 1317.

An Act regulating appeals in certain cases from the final order of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. RUDDY (By request). House Bill No. 1318.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act empowering cities of this Commonwealth to grade, pave, curb, macadamize and otherwise improve the public streets and alleys, or parts thereof, within their corporate limits without petition of property holders, and providing for the payment of the costs, damages and expenses thereof," as amended; extending the provisions thereof to boroughs.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. ROSS. House Bill No. 1319.

An Act making an appropriation to the Fairfax Baby and Children's Home, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 1320.

An Act to repeal an act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to tax traction engines, and providing that the same shall be assessed by the several assessors of the counties of this Commonwealth in the same manner as other articles of personal estate liable for taxation are assessed."

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 1321.

An Act relating to dogs pursuing game; prohibiting the killing of such dogs bearing a license tag; and imposing penalties upon the owner of such dogs.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

By Mr. ROGERS. House Bill No. 1322.

An Act to promote the public health and safety by providing for the examination and licensure of those who desire to engage in the occupation of barbering, providing for the appointment by the Governor of an examining board; defining and powers and duties of such board regulating barbershops, barber schools and barber colleges and apprentices and students therein; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. PALMER. House Bill No. 1323.

An Act creating a Division of Building Inspection within the Department of Labor and Industry, and Divisions of Building Inspection in the third class cities, and providing for the creation of such divisions in certain of the counties, boroughs and townships of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for the promulgation of rules and regulations by the Industrial Board to effectuate the purposes of this act; establishing an Examining and Advisory Committee within the Division of Building Inspection; providing for the appointment of officers and employes for the enforcement of the provisions of this act; defining the authority and powers of said Division of Building Inspection, and Examining and Advisory Committee, and the duties and powers of their officers and employes; providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and of the aforesaid rules and regulations of the Industrial Board; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, provided, however, that no acts or parts of acts relating to cities of the first and second class are hereby repealed.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. LAULER. House Bill No. 1324.

An Act to regulate the construction of buildings and to require the remodeling of certain buildings now erected so as to protect lives and conserve property from fire, and providing for fines and penalties for violations.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

By Mr. WEST. House Bill No. 1340.

An Act to amend part of section six of an act, approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentages of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid Highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway

Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. DEAN (By request). House Bill No. 1341.

An Act to establish a system of insurance for the purpose of furnishing benefits for certain employes and others in certain cases of death, sickness, accident and maternity; providing for contribution to the cost thereof by employers, by persons insured or persons upon whom the persons insured are dependent, and by the Commonwealth; imposing duties upon the Auditor General, State Treasurer, Commissioner of Health, judges of Courts of Common Pleas and the executives of certain municipalities; creating a Health Insurance Commission and defining its powers and duties; exempting certain property from taxation; giving preference to certain claims and liens on moneys payable under the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915; and imposing certain penalties upon certain misdemeanors created by this act.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. MANGAN. House Bill No. 1342.

An Act amending section six hundred and one (601) of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violations thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" approved the eighteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. CROSBY. House Bill No. 982.

An Act providing for a recount by the county commissioners and, upon appeal, by the court of common pleas, of the votes in any election precinct, division or district, in any county authorizing the court of common pleas to hold election officers to answer to the district attorney under certain circumstances, also requiring the district attorney to present indictments against such election officers to the grand jury.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 203 (House Bill No. 1325)

An Act defining and regulating boxing and wrestling contests.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 273 (House Bill No. 1326)

An Act establishing a public school employes' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contribution by the Commonwealth and contributing employes; defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom; and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds, imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process, and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 346 (House Bill No. 1327)

An Act requiring certain counties in certain instances to assist townships in the construction, improvement repair and maintenance of main traveled or trunk roads other than State or State-aid highways and providing the method of procedure.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

Senate Bill No. 469 (House Bill No. 1328)

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of automobiles, motor trucks or other motor vehicles or of any article appertaining to or entering into the construction thereof to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 471 (House Bill No. 1329)

An Act to authorize the payment by corporations to their directors of compensation for services rendered by them.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 560 (House Bill No. 1330)

An Act amending sections eight and ten of an act approved the 19th day of March, 1909, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of osteopathy in the State of Pennsylvania; to provide for the establishment of a State Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to define the powers and duties of said Board of Osteopathic Examiners; to provide for the examining and licensing of osteopaths in this State; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, by providing for the extension of time necessary for graduation; by revising the fee for reciprocity licenses; and by further regulating the preliminary educational requirements for matriculation into colleges.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Senate Bill No. 567 (House Bill No. 1331)

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 576 (House Bill No. 1332)

An Act to repeal section eight of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred forty-three, entitled "An Act to re-charter the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Philadelphia," and article one of section ten of an act approved the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act regulating banks."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 579 (House Bill No. 1333)

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve and maintain the same; and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all

acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner, and the several counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof, in the same manner as a State-aid highway; and authorizing counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof, and making valid all such contracts heretofore made; such highway to remain a State Highway.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Senate Bill No. 620 (House Bill No. 1334)

An Act declaring the quail to be a song bird; prohibiting the capture, killing, buying or selling the same; and providing for penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Game.

Senate Bill No. 628 (House Bill No. 1335)

An Act to amend an act approved the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the compensation of directors of the poor of poor districts composed of several townships, boroughs and cities situate wholly within counties of this Commonwealth not exceeding five hundred thousand population.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 671 (House Bill No. 1336)

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other state of the United States for certain purposes to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for such purposes," approved the thirteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 675 (House Bill No. 1337)

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, within or without the State of Pennsylvania between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act, where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage, notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed, and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 680 (House Bill No. 1338)

An Act to amend section two of an act, entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the district attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective, an assistant county detective and special county detectives; defining their duties; fixing their salaries, and authorizing the payment of the same, together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 681 (House Bill No. 1339)

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from five dollars ($5.00) per day to ten dollars ($10.00) per day.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act providing a system whereby persons absent from their regular polling places may cast their votes; imposing certain powers and duties upon the county commissioners, prothonotaries, judges of election, return boards of the various counties and the board of registration commissions in cities of the first and second class in relation thereto, and providing penalties.

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three, entitled "An Act providing that voters in this Commonwealth shall cast their ballots at polling places inside the election district in which they are domiciled and making it the duty of the courts of quarter sessions of the several counties to carry out the provisions of the same."

Mr. RININGER, from the Committee on Appropriaitons, reported as committed House Bill No. 429, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Lebanon Sanitorium of Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1084, entitled

An Act authorizing J. A. Croup, of Concord Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Butler County.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 913, entitled

An Act authorizing Mildred J. Barclay, a resident of the City of Pittsburgh, in the County of Allegheny, in her own right as well as for the benefit of her minor daughter, Mildred J. Barclay, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 923, entitled

An Act authorizing Edward J. Woods, of Edgeworth Borough, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 842, entitled

An Act authorizing Robert J. McAllister and Ruth McAllister, his wife, residents of the Borough of Jersey Shore, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Clinton County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, jointly or severally.

Mr. BECHTOLD, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 1031, entitled

A Supplement to an act, approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 396), entitled "An Act creating a Department of Labor and Industry, defining its powers and duties; establishing an Industrial Board; providing for the appointment of a Commissioner of Labor, inspectors, statisticians, clerks, and others to enforce the provisions of this act, and providing salaries for the same; prescribing a standard of reasonable and adequate protection to be observed in the rooms, buildings, and places where labor is employed; empowering the said Industrial Board to make, alter, amend and repeal rules and regulations relating thereto; transferring the powers and duties of the Department of Factory Inspection to the Department of Labor and Industry, and abolishing the Department of Factory Inspection; and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act, or the rules and regulations of the said board," authorizing the Industrial Board to adopt a seal; and providing that certified copies of all records, documents and rulings of said board shall be received in evidence.

Mr. ALBEE, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 1137, entitled

An Act to amend paragraph (e) of section three hundred six of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder.

Mr. ALBEE, from the Committee on Game, reported as committed House Bill No. 1278, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game, within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing of, such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of shotgun or rifle by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident, within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," by permitting the ownership and possession of rifles by certain unnaturalized foreign-born residents for certain purposes.

Mr. STERLING, from the Committee on Constitutional Reform, re-reported as committed House Bill No. 243, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. STERLING, from the Committee on Constitutional Reform, re-reported as committed House Bill No. 244, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. LEE SMITH, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1139, entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs with the assent of the electors duly obtained at an election to use moneys borrowed for purposes which have proved impracticable or impossible, for any other lawful municipal purpose.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 901, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section seventeen of article two of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 706, entitled

An Act to repeal a portion of the twenty-fourth clause of section one of the act of May thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and eighty-five), entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government, repair of the canals and railroads of the State, and other claims upon the Commonwealth."

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1170, entitled

An Act authorizing R. B. Taylor of Bellefonte, Centre County, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1154, entitled

An Act authorizing the judges of the separate orphans' court in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants to fix and determine the salaries of assistant clerks in said court.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 892, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities; and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions;" including also city and other public employes paid out of the funds of any public commission or private funds.

Mr. EHRHARDT, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1146, entitled

An Act authorizing William R. Shellenberger and Emma L. Shellenberger, his wife, of the Township of Athens, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1261, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vancancies caused by such removal,' approved May eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and one, so as to allow them full pay during the balance of their terms of office, and, under certain conditions, half pay during the remainder of their lives," approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to provide that any judges of the supreme or superior court who has served in judicial office for twenty or more years shall be entitled to receive the benefits of said act immediately after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term, resignation or otherwise, whether said service be continuous or not.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 591, entitled

An Act authorizing the court of quarter sessions to make orders and decrees for the removal of bodies interred in burial grounds or cemeteries in or adjacent to cities, belonging to any person, partnership, association or corporation, and providing for the cost of the removal of such bodies.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 774, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a Committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives to investigate the operation of the certain laws in cities of the first class.

Mr. GOLDER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, re-reported as committed House Bill No. 1057, entitled

An Act granting certain powers to cities of the second class in relation to underground tunnels, tubes and subways, including their construction, maintenance and operation, and the leasing thereof or parts thereof, and providing for the ascertaining of the damages by reason of such construction, or by reason of the taking, using or appropriating of land necessary and incidental thereto, conferring the power of eminent domain in connection therewith, and providing for the approval of the contracts provided for herein by the Public Service Commission.

Mr. GOLDER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 929, entitled

An Act to further regulate the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in cities of the first class.

Mr. FOWLER, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 1187, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer, to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder."

Mr. WYLIE, from the Commttee on Labor and Industry, reported as committed House Bill No. 1152, entitled

An Act providing that persons, associations and corporations owning, occupying or controlling premises upon which any contractor or sub-contractor shall be permitted to do certain classes of construction work shall be liable for the wages of all employes engaged in such work and for the cost of all materials supplied for such work unless the contractor or sub-contractor shall file a bond for the immediate payment of wages and the cost of material when due; providing that a contractor shall be liable for the wages of employes of any sub-contractor and for the cost of materials furnished to any sub-contractor unless such sub-contractor shall file a bond covering the same; requiring every such contractor or sub-contractor to file a bond; specifying the form and amount of such bond; and permitting persons furnishing labor or materials to sue in such bond to recover wages and the cost of such materials.

Mr. McVICAR, from the Committee on Judciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 736, entitled

An Act to amend the third section of an act, entitled "An Act providing for monthly returns and payments by county and city officers and prothonotaries of the Supreme Court of moneys received by them for the use of the Commonwealth," approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three; providing for proceeding in quo warranto against such officers for failure to file returns.

Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on Game, reported as amended House Bill No. 1080, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act extending the

powers and duties of foresters, forest rangers, game protectors, deputy game protectors, special deputy game protectors, fish-wardens, and deputy fish-wardens of this Commonwealth."

Mr. SULLIVAN, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 1287, entitled

An Act to amend the third section of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors, and their enrollment as members of political parties, in cities of the first and second classes of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and their said enrollment as members of a political party a condition of the right to vote at primaries in said cities; and providing for the payment of witness fees for persons summoned before the commissioners; to provide penalties for violations of its provisions; and to repeal acts inconsistent herewith," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred seventy-seven), by regulating the compensation of the regisration commissioners.

Mr. LAULER, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1060, entitled

An Act empowering cities of the second class to purchase, lease, locate, construct, and equip, or otherwise acquire, transit facilities, and to own, maintain, use, and operate the same within their corporate limits, and within the limits of adjacent cities, boroughs, and townships; to exercise the right of eminent domain in connection therewith, and prescribing the manner of ascertaining the damages sustained in connection with such exercise; to sell, pledge, or lease transit facilities; to grant licenses for the use of the same; to enter into agreements for the construction and operation of the same; to connect the tracks of railways with the tracks of railroad or railway companies; and under certain conditions to use portions of the tracks of the latter; and empowering railroad, railway, and motor power companies to sell, purchase, and lease transit facilities to and from said cities, and to contract with said cities respecting the acquisition, construction, operation, and use of transit facilities, subject to the provisions of "The Public Service Company Law" of July twenty-six, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and its supplements and amendments.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 60, entitled

An Act to amend section seventy-five of an act, approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty (P. L. 382), entitled "An Act to consolidate, revise and amend the penal laws of this Commonwealth," by providing that the penalty for murder of the first degree shall be either death or life imprisonment at the discretion of the jury or the court as the case may be.

Mr. CANON, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 592, entitled

An Act making it unlawful for any individual or individuals to carry on or conduct any business under an assumed or fictitious name, style or designation unless upon the filing of a certificate to that effect in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and of the prothonotary; requiring county commissioners at the expense of the county to provide books for the entry of such certificates; fixing the fees of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and prothonotary; and providing penalties.

Mr. CANON, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1058, entitled

An Act authorizing the establishing of contagious disease hospitals in the several counties of the Commonwealth, to be constructed and maintained out of county funds.

Mr. STITES, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1151, entitled

An Act authorizing Frederick E. Windsor, of the Borough of Warren, County of Warren, to sue the Commonwealth.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 797, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the elevator operators in the State Capitol.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 478, entitled

An Act regulating the use of vehicles on the public highways; requiring lights on certain vehicles; and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1045 (Senate Bill No. 347), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 21st day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory, building, rooms, or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1887, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

Mr. SULLIVAN, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported as committed House Bill No. 312, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, four, five, six and seven, of Article VII, of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith," by providing for motor ambulances and requiring them to be furnished, free of charge, with registration certificates and number tags.

Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported as committed House Bill No. 882, entitled

An Act providing for a statistician in the Department of Mines and fixing the salary.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported as committed House Bill No. 888, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of certain employes in the Department of Mines.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1221 (Senate Bill No. 320), entitled

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred one.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 941 (Senate Bill No. 265), entitled

An Act authorizing Ida Collins, a resident of Somerset County, in her own right and in the right of her minor children, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 939 (Senate Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf, a resident of the Borough of Canton, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. BECHTOLD, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1203 (Senate Bill No. 474), entitled

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales."

Mr. GLASS, from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1201 (Senate Bill No. 276), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1211 (Senate Bill No. 19), entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree, and repealing inconsistent legislation.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1215 (Senate Bill No. 489), entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

Mr. JEFFERSON W. SMITH, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1236 (Senate Bill No. 572), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the Trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farview, Pennsylvania.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 1225 (Senate Bill No. 502), entitled

An Act entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth to certify the proceedings upon which commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution.

Mr. DRAKE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 940 (Senate Bill No. 262), entitled

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1200 (Senate Bill No. 263), entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties, boroughs, townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof," by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1226 (Senate Bill No. 503), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April sixth, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one," approved the sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1228 (Senate Bill No. 525), entitled

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act approved the first day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County,'" approved the eighth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1229 (Senate Bill No. 535), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1230 (Senate Bill No. 536), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1231 (Senate Bill No. 537), entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act, entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans court in the County of Allegheny and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1232 (Senate Bill No. 538), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County and regulating compensation," approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1234 (Senate Bill No. 541), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio in Allegheny County to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as committed House Bill No. 782 (Senate Bill No. 144), entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. KENNEDY asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Showalter.

Mr. CANON asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ross.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 84,

An Act authorizing Jesse Kuhl and Nora Kuhl, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Senate Bill No. 85

An Act authorizing David Yeagley and Hattie Yeagley, his wife, citizens of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Senate Bill No. 86,

An Act authorizing O. M. Warner, a citizen of Erie County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The SPEAKER. The Chair received the following telegram, which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk then read the telegram as follows:

Hazleton, Pa., April 3, 1917.

Hon. Richard J. Baldwin, Speaker,
House of Representatives, Harrisburg, Pa.

The National Security League, Hazleton Branch, endorses compulsory universal military and naval service under exclusive Federal control to meet the present national crisis and as a permanent national policy we respectfully urge immediate action by the State of Pennsylvania recommending appropriate action by Congress.

(Signed) JOHN H. BIGELOW, President.

Also the following:

Pennsylvania Street Railway Association,
Harrisburg, Pa., March 30, 1917.

Hon. Richard J. Baldwin, Speaker,
House of Representatives of Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Street Railway Association at a meeting in Philadelphia, March 29th, adopted the following resolution and directed me to transmit a copy to you.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Street Railway Association in session this day tender to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the offer of service of the Association, in the present national crisis, in such capacity and manner as may be deemed necessary and expedient by the proper authorities for the welfare of the State and Nation.

HENRY M. STINE, Secretary. THOMAS A. WRIGHT, President.

The SPEAKER. The Chair asks that the same be noted and printed in to-day's Journal.

INVITATION TO PATRIOTIC BANQUET OF THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE SOCIETY.

The SPEAKER. I have an invitation here which I will ask the Clerk to read.

The Clerk then read the invitation as follows:

The Pennsylvania State Society, an organization made up of officers of the State Government, members of the Judiciary and members of the House and Senate of Pennsylvania past and present, will hold a patriotic banquet at the Chestnut Street Auditorium, in the City of Harrisburg, on the evening of Tuesday, April 10th.

Among the speakers at the banquet will be former Governor Willis, of Ohio; Honorable Thomas J. Stewart, Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, and the Honorable Emerson Collins, Deputy Attorney General.

It is the desire of those who have charge of this affair that inasmuch as the Legislature is now in session, it shall be an expression of Pennsylvania's willingness to do more than its share in helping uphold and maintain the governmental integrity of the United States and the glory of the Stars and Stripes. All members of the House of Representatives are eligible to attend this banquet. The price per plate is $2.50, and tickets can be secured at the Lieutenant Governor's office or from the members of the dinner committee, of which committee John Price Jackson, Commissioner of Labor and Industry, is Chairman.

(Signed) FRANK B. McCLAIN, Lieutenant Governor,
RICHARD J. BALDWIN, Speaker.

SENATE MESSAGE.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented bill from the House of Representatives, numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 877

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the amendment as follows:

Nothing in this act shall be construed to repeal any of the provisions of an act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expense thereof" or the amendments thereto nor to repeal any of the provisions of an act approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" or the amendments thereto

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—111.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCaig,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Flynn,	McKay,	Siggins,
Barner,	Fretz,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Bell,	Gans,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Benninger,	Geary,	McPeake,	Smith, F. I.,
Beyer,	Glass,	McVicar,	Smith, J. W.,
Black,	Golder,	Mearkle,	Smith, L.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graeff,	Mehring,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Graham,	Michel,	Steedle,
Brumbaugh,	Gransback,	Miller, A. D.,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Haldeman,	Miller, Allan,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hecht,	Milliron,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Heffernan,	Milner,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Helt,	Mitchell,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Morgan, T.,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollern,	Musser,	Urich,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Neary,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Hough,	Ogden,	Walker,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Wallace,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wells,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Fithrich,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Baldwin,
Drake,	Marvin,	Scott,	Speaker.
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the quetion was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 259

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 494, File Folio 1751, page 5 of to-day's calendar, bills on final passage postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 494, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to provide revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," as amended, by removing the exemption granted corporations, limited partnerships and joint-stock associations organized for laundering purposes; and imposing a tax of two mills on the capital stock of certain corporations, limited partnerships, and joint-stock associations organized for manufacturing purposes, and appropriating the same for State and State-aid highway purposes.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE.

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote by which House Bill No. 494, File Folio 1751, passed third reading be reconsidered.

Mr. DEWEY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. ALLAN D. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 494, File Folio 1751, be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. DEWEY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 398, entitled

An Act relating to the collection of county taxes in cities of the third class; providing for a notice of taxes due and providing for rebates and penaties on such taxes in certain cases.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all tax collectors of county taxes in cities of the third class shall within thirty days after receiving the tax duplicate from the county commissioners notify every taxable whose name appears on such duplicate Such notice shall contain the rate of taxation the valuation of the property of such taxable the occupation of such taxable and the full amount of taxes for which said taxable is liable for the current year Such notice shall further state that such taxes are payable shall designate a place where and a time or times when they shall be paid It shall further state the time within which the abatement of tax will be allowed when the full amount of tax will be collected and when an additional percentage will be added as a penalty as herein provided Such notice shall be mailed to the last known post-office address of each of said taxables

All persons who shall pay the taxes charged against him in the duplicate within ninety days from the date of such notice shall be entitled to a reduction of five percentum from the amount thereof All persons who fail to pay the taxes charged against them in the duplicate within six months after the date of the notice shall be charged five per centum additional on the taxes charged against them which shall be added thereto by the collector of taxes and be collected by him

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 4, by inserting after the word "be" the following, "delivered, left or."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second, third and fourth sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 The tax collectors may retain out of the taxes collected by them the actual printing and postage expenses incurred by them in performing the duties herein prescribed Such amount so retained shall be adjusted by the county commissioners at the time such collectors make settlement

Section 3 Before any allowance is made by the county commissioners for commissions due any collector for taxes collected an affidavit shall be made by such collector setting forth that he has complied with the provisions of this act

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

An Act relating to the collection of county taxes in cities of the third class; providing for a notice of taxes due and providing for rebates and penalties on such taxes in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1028, as follows:

An Act authorizing James L. Baker and Mary A. Baker his wife of Harrisburg Dauphin County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That James L. Baker and Mary A. Baker his wife of Harrisburg Dauphin County Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit or suits in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum or sums of money as may be legally or justly due the said James L. Baker and Mary A. Baker or either of them for personal injuries sustained by them or either of them, near Bodines Pennsylvania upon the State Highway between Williamsport and Canton in the said State

Such suit or suits shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, on account of the Game Committee's not having had a chance to scrutinize House Bill No. 995, File Folio 1507, entitled

An Act to prohibit the killing of foxes by certain methods in York County and fixing a penalty for violation of the act.

it having been referred to another committee, I move that it be now referred to the Committee on Game.

Mr. BECHTOLD. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was not agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1090, as follows:

An Act supplementing and amending section ten (10) of an act entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs processes or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen by adding the words "and injuries to property" following the words "personal injuries" so that the exceptions in said section shall read "except that in actions for damages for personal injuries and injuries to property it shall have jurisdiction where the sum demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00)"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section ten (10) of an act entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisldiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the county or city of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" approved the twelfth day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 10 The said court hereby created shall have jurisdiction in all civil actions at law and in equity where the value of the matter or thing in controversy exclusive of interest and costs does not exceed the sum of six hundred dollars ($600.00) except that in actions for damages for personal injuries it shall have jurisdiction where the sum demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00) The amount claimed by the plaintiff where the said claim is for a sum certain shall be conclusive as to the jurisdiction of the court in all actions brought for recovery of money and in actions at law or in equity not involving any sum certain the plaintiff shall file with his statement a certificate as to the amount of the thing or matter in controversy The said court shall also have jurisdiction in any civil cases transferred to it by order of a majority of the judges of any court of common pleas of Philadelphia County" be and the same is hereby amended and supplemented to read as follows

Section 10 The said court hereby created shall have jurisdiction in all civil actions at law and in equity where the value of the matter or thing in controversy exclusive of

interest and costs does not exceed the sum of six hundred dollars ($600.00) except that in actions for damages for personal injuries and injuries to property it shall have jurisdiction where the sum demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00) The amount claimed by the plaintiff where the said claim is for a sum certain shall be conclusive as to the jurisdiction of the court in all actions brought for the recovery of money and in actions at law or in equity not involving any sum certain the plaintiff shall file with his statement a certificate as to the amount of the thing or matter in controversy The said court shall also have jurisdiction in any civil cases transferred to it by order of a majority of the judges of any court of common pleas of Philadelphia County

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 356, entitled

An Act to repeal sections three and four of an act approved the nineteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-three), entitled "An Act requiring employers to make report to the Department of Labor and Industry of accidents to employes, and perscribing a penalty for non-compliance therewith."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections three and four of an act approved the nineteenth day of July one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-three) entitled "An Act requiring employers to make report to the Department of Labor and Industry of accidents to employes and prescribing a penalty for noncompliance therewith" are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SWARTZ. Mr. Speaker, I have an agreement with the sponsor of House Bill No. 356, File Folio 1667, entitled

An Act to repeal sections three and four of an act approved the nineteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred forty-three), entitled "An Act requiring employers to make report to the Department of Labor and Industry of accidents to employes, and prescribing a penalty for non-compliance therewith."

that it be recommitted for the purpose of hearing and amendment, and I therefore move that it be recommitted to the Commitee on Judiciary General.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I second he motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 988, entitled

An Act providing that whenever the charter of any borough is annulled the territory embraced within the borough whose charter is annulled shall become a township of the same name and subject to the laws governing townships in this Commonwealth.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever hereafter the charter of any borough in this Commonwealth is annulled the territory embraced within the borough whose charter is annulled shall thereupon become a township of the same name as the borough whose charter was annulled and shall be subject to all the laws of this Commonwealth governing townships

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 988, File Folio 1669, be recommitted to the Committee on Counties and Townships for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 845, as follows:

An Act authorizing cities of the first class to make appropriations for the support of destitute families of persons sentenced to imprisonment and providing a system of control and administration for the distribution thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That cities of the first class may appropriate moneys for the maintenance and care of destitute families of persons sentenced in such city to imprisonment whose families are and were at the time of the conviction of said person domiciled within such cities of the first class

Section 2 The councils of such cities of the first class shall designate a department of the city government to have the control and disbursement of any such appropriation and may provide such employes and fix their salaries as may be necessary to carry this act into effect

Section 3 The family of any person sentenced in such city to imprisonment which is in destitute circumstances may apply for assistance to the department having the disbursement of the appropriation Upon the receipt of any such application the persons in charge of this work shall investigate the facts of the case taking into account the number of dependents in each case and shall either refuse or allow such assinstance as may be necessary

Section 4 In all cases where assistance is allowed to any family the same shall be paid by the city treasurer upon the warrant of the department having the control of such appropriation countersigned by the controller

Section 5 In all cases where assistance is allowed to any destitute family the person making such allowance shall take into consideration any moneys which may come into the possession of such family under the provisions of an act approved the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and twelve) entitled "An Act to abolish the contract system in the prisons and reformatory institutions of the State of Pennsylvania and to regulate the wages of the inmates' and of an act approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and fifty-six) entitled "An Act providing a system of employment and compensation for the inmates of the Eastern Penitentiary Western Penitentiary and Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon and for such other correctional institutions as shall be hereafter established by the Commonwealth and making an appropriation therefor" and of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred and twelve) entitled "An Act authorizing and regulating the employment of convicts and prisoners on the public highway"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 962, as follows:

An Act to prohibit the letting of prison labor by contract to regulate the employment of prisoners in all county prisons and reformatories regulating the disposition of the products of prison labor and providing penalty for its violations

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the officers of the various county prison and workhouses and reformatories or any other authority whatsoever shall not after the passage of this act make any contract by which the labor or time of any prisoner in any county prison workhouse or reformatory in this Commonwealth or the product or profit of his work shall be contracted let farmed out given or sold to any person firm association or corporation provided however that the prisoners in the county prisons workhouses and reformatories may work for and in behalf of the county in which imprisoned or of any political division thereof and the products of their labor may be disposed of to the Commonwealth or any political division thereof or to any public institution owned or managed or controlled by the Commonwealth or any political division thereof

Section 2 The superintendents wardens managers and officials of the various county prisons workhouses and reformatories in this Commonwealth shall so far as practicable cause all the prisoners in said institutions who are physically capable to be employed at hard labor for not to exceed eight hours of each day for other than Sundays and public holidays but such hard labor shall be either for the purpose of production of supplies for said institution or for the Commonwealth or any political division thereof or for any public institution owned or managed or controlled by the Commonwealth or any political division thereof or for the purpose of industrial training and instruction or partly for one and partly for the other of such purposes

Section 3 Any contract made by any superintendent warden manager agent or official of any prison or reformatory institution in the Commonwealth in violation of or contrary to the provisions of this act shall be null and void It shall be the duty of any such superintendent warden manager agent or official to furnish the district attorney of the county in which the prison or reformatory institution is located upon demand therefor a true copy if in writing and if not the substance of any contract made by such superintendent warden manager agent or official of such prison or reformatory institution relating in any way to the system of labor adopted or to the employment of prisoners in any of said prisons or reformatory institutions

Section 4 Any superintendent warden manager or official of any prison or reformatory institution in the Commonwealth violating any part of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be fined not less than one thousand dollars and undergo an imprisonment of not more than three years or both or either at the discretion of the court

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts of Assembly inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 730, as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to regulate and improve the civil service of cities of the second class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania making violations of its provisions to be misdemeanors and providing penalties for violation thereof" approved May twenty-third one thousand nine hundred and seven providing for the election of the civil service commissioners and for their removal and fixing their term of office and their compensation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there shall be a civil service commission in each city of the second class consisting of three (3) commissioners to be elected at the general municipal election At the municipal election to be held in the present year in each city of the second class now existing and at the first municipal election occurring at least ninety (90) days after any other city shall have entered said class there shall be elected the full number of commissioners to serve from the first Monday of January following The commissioner receiving the highest vote at said election shall be chairman of the civil service commission and shall serve for a term of six (6) years The commissioner receiving the next highest vote at said election shall serve for a term of four (4) years and the remaining commissioner shall serve for a term of two (2) years At each municipal election thereafter there shall be elected on (1) commissioner who shall serve for a term of six (6) years and such other commissioner or commissioners as may be necessary to fill any vacancies caused by death resignation or removal occurring more than ninety (90) days before such election to serve for the balance of the term of the members who have died resigned or been removed The mayor shall have power to fill any vacancy until the office is filled by election as above provided

The chairmanship of said commission shall whenever vacant for any cause be filled by the selection of one of the commissioners by a majority vote of the commissioners and the commissioner so selected shall be chairman of said commission for the balance of his term of office

In cities of the second class containing not more than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants the chairman of the civil service commission shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum and each of the other commissioners shall receive a salary of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) per annum and in cities of the second class containing two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over the chairman of the civil service commission shall receive a salary of five thousand five hundred dollars ($5,500) per annum and each of the other commissioners shall receive a salary of five thousand dollars ($5,000) per annum The commissioners shall qualify by filing with the mayor an oath to faithfully perform the duties of their office

Section 2 Any commissioner shall be liable to impeachment suspension or removal from office for any corrupt act or practice malfeasance in office mismanagement mental incapacity or incompetency for the proper performance of official duties the proceedings for such impeachment suspension or removal to be in accordance with the provisions of article thirteen section one of an act entitled "An Act for the government of cities of the second class" approved March seventh one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws twenty)

Section 3 All laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. STADTLANDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 730, File Folio 1679, be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Corporations for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker. I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 752, as follows:

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen which reads as follows

"Section 1 Any borough or township or part of a township adjoining any city of the third class and being a part of the county in which the same is situated may be annexed to such adjoining city in the following manner namely In case of a borough the town council may pass an ordinance for such annexation whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such borough shall present a petition asking therefor in the case of a township or part of a township whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such township or part of a township shall present a petition to council of said city asking for such annexation which said petition in case a part only of a township desires to be admitted shall be accompanied by a plot of the same" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Any borough or township or part of a township adjoining any city of the third class and being a part of the county in which the same it situated or being located in a different county or partly in a different county from that in which the city or the larger part of the city is located may be annexed to such adjoining city in the following manner namely In case of a borough the town council may pass an ordinance for such annexation whenever three-fifths of the taxable inhabitants of such borough shall present a petition asking therefor in the case of a township or part of a township whenever three-fifths of taxable inhabitants of such township or part of a township shall present a petition to council of said city asking for such annexation which said petition in case a part only of a township desires to be admitted shall be accompanied by a plot of the same

Section 2 That section three of article three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 The action of said city council after ten days shall be final and conclusive unless an appeal therefrom be taken within said ten days to the court of quarter sessions of the county upon such appeal the clerks of said city council and of said borough council shall certify to the said court all the papers and proceedings in the case whereupon the court shall examine and inquire and if the proceedings appear to have been in conformity with the law shall approve the same and thereupon said annexation shall take effect" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 The action of said city council after ten days shall be final and conclusive unless an appeal therefrom be taken within said ten days to the court of quarter sessions of the proper county upon such appeal the clerks of said city council and of said borough council shall certify to the said court all the papers and proceedings in the case whereupon the court shall examine and inquire and if the proceedings appear to have been in conformity with the law shall approve the same and thereupon said annexation shall take effect

Section 3 That section five or article three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 Whenever any borough township or part thereof out-lots or section of land shall be annexed to an adjoining or adjacent city as hereinbefore provided it shall be the duty of the court upon petition and proof to make such order or decree as will give to the people of the annexed territory representation in the government of the said city by including said territory within the limits of an adjacent ward or wards or by creating a new ward or wards thereof and said court shall in case of the creation of new ward or wards appoint the election officers and place for holding the first election of ward officers and for that purpose may order a special election if said court shall deem the same necessary to be conducted in the manner provided by law for conducting municipal elections The officers elected at such special election shall hold their respective offices until their successors who are hereby required to be elected at the municipal election held on the Tuesday following immediately after the first Monday of November in the odd-numbered year next succeeding the same shall be duly qualified" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 Whenever any borough township or part thereof out-lots or section of land shall be annexed to an adjoining or adjacent city as hereinbefore provided it shall be the duty of the court of the county in which the city or the larger part of the city is located upon petition and proof to make such order or decree as will give to the people of the annexed territory representation in the government of the said city by including said territory within the limits of an adjacent ward or wards or by creating a new ward or wards thereof and said court shall in case of the creation of new wards or ward appoint the election officers and place for holding the first election of ward officers and for that purpose may order a special election if said court shall deem the same necessary to be conducted in the manner provided by law for conducting municipal elections The officers elected at such special election shall hold their respective offices until their successors who are hereby required to be elected at the municipal election held on the Tuesday following immediately after the first Monday of November in the odd-numbered year next succeeding the same shall be duly qualified

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 778, as follows:

An Act providing that all the powers and duties now vested by law in the select and common councils of cities of the first class shall be completely vested in a single body called the city council and fixing the qualifications time of election salary and term of office of the members thereof providing for the apportionment of cities of the first class into eight councilmanic districts and providing that the mayor should cast a deciding vote in case of a tie vote in the city council

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the first Monday in January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eighteen all the powers and duties now vested by law in the select and common councils of cities of the first class or either of said bodies whether the same be exercised or performed by both bodies acting together or by each acting separately shall be completely vested in a single body called the city council which shall contain two members elected from each councilmanic district within such city

Section 2 Until otherwise apportioned by the city councilmanic districts in each city of the first class from and after the approval of this act shall coincide in boundary with and shall include the wards included in the State senatorial districts then existing within the boundaries of such cities In the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one and in the year succeeding each United States decennial census thereafter it shall be the duty of the city council in each city of the first class to reapportion the city into eight councilmanic districts of compact and contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as may be Provided That no ward shall be partly in one councilmanic district and partly in another

Section 3 The terms of all select and common ciuncilmen and the terms of employment of all officers and employes of the select and common councils in cities of the first class shall cease and determine on the first Monday in January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eighteen At the municipal election held in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen there shall be elected in each city of the first class two city councilmen from each councilmanic district included within the boundaries of such city to serve for the period of two years from the first Monday in January following Their successors shall be elected at the municipal election held in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen and in every fourth year thereafter to serve for the period of four years from the first Monday in January following If a vacancy occurs in the office of city councilman not less than sixty days prior to a general election the vacancy shall be filled at said election but the councilman shall be elected to serve only the unexpired term

Section 4 The qualifications of members of the city council in cities of the first class shall be as now provided by law for members of common council in said cities except that no person who shall hold any office position or employment of profit (except that of notary public or commissioner of deeds) under the government of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any political subdivision thereof shall be eligible to hold the office of city councilman Each city councilman shall receive for his services a salary of five thousand dollars ($5,000) per annum payable by said cities in monthly installments

Section 5 The city council shall have power to provide for its own organization its own rules and for the employment of such persons as may be necessary to the proper discharge of its business and to fix the salaries of such persons

Section 6 The councilman chosen by the city council to preside at its meetings shall be entitled to vote upon any measure or question and in case of a tie vote the mayor of the city shall have the right to cast a deciding vote

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 778, File Folio 1689, be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Corporations for the purposes of a hearing and amendment.

Mr. GRANSBACK. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 468, as follows:

An Act fixing the salaries of the County Engineer and Deputy County Engineer in counties containing a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all counties containing a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand as computed by the last preceding United States census the annual salary of the County Engineer shall be six thousand dollars ($6,000) and the annual salary of the Deputy County Engineer shall be four thousand dollars ($4,000) which sum shall be payable in equal monthly installments out of the County Treasury

Section 2 That the act approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to fix the salary of county engineer in counties containig a population of more than eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand" is hereby repealed All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with or supplied be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1020, entitled

An Act relating to tax assessment returns in certain counties.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the tax assessors of each city borough ward or township in counties having a population of not less than twenty thousand nor more than fifty thousand inhabitants in making the triennial assessment and the intermediate annual assessments shall include in their return to the county commissioners the acutal value of all seated real property assessed by them the acreage or area of each piece of real estate assessed and the names of at least four owners of property adjoining if there are so many

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DRAKE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1 by adding at the end thereof the following: "or the number of the lot or section with the adjoining streets or alleys in the plan of any city, borough or town."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed
An Act relating to tax assessment returns in certain counties.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 832, as follows:

An Act to require that every future act of the General Assembly be given a short title for convenience of citation and to require the Legislature Reference Bureau to report to the next session of the General Assembly a list of short titles for certain acts now in force
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That after the approval of this act every bill introduced in either branch of the General Assembly shall contain a section setting forth a short title by which the act if it becomes law may be conveniently cited The section shall be in the following form "This act may be cited as the .....act 19...." In the first blank space shall be set forth a single word or a short phrase which compactly describes the nature or purpose of the act and in the second blank space the year of the session of the General Assembly in which the bill is introduced
Section 2 Any act given a short title in accordance with this or any other act may without prejudice to any other mode of citation be cited by such short title in the following places
(a) in the title or the text of any supplementing amending or repealing act and
(b) in the decisions of the courts of Commonwealth and in any proceedings before the courts
Section 3 Any act supplementing or amending an act that has a short title shall be given a short title identical with that of the act supplemented or amended except as to the year with the addition of the word "Supplement" or "Amendment" as the case may be in parenthesis before the word "Act"
Section 4 The Legislative Reference Bureau shall prepare a list of short titles for all such acts of the General Assembly now in force in the Commonwealth as the Bureau considers should have short titles for convenience of citation and shall present the same in the form of a report to the next session of the General Assembly
Section 5 This act may be cited as the Short Title Act one thousand nine hundred seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 846, entitled

An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth.

The first and second sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That wherever heretofore the council of any incorporated borough of this Commonwealth has required by ordinance and caused to be graded paved curbed or macadamized with brick stone or other suitable material or otherwise improved any public street or thoroughfare or part thereof either cartway or footwalk or both pursuant to such ordinance but owing to some defect in the petition action of council notice publication or other proceeding necessary under existing law and ordinance to give jurisdiction to such council or owing to want of jurisdiction of such council because of non compliance with existing law as to publication of copies of ordinance and posting of handbills prior to final passage of such ordinance or owing to some defect in the ordinance or for any other reason the cost of such improvement or a portion thereof can not be legally assessed upon the property bounding or abutting upon the street or part thereof improved or owing to some defect in the statement of claim filed to secure the lien for the cost of such improvement payment thereof can not be enforced as was contemplated by the act or acts of the General Assembly under which the improvement was attempted to be made and statement of claim filed now by this act such improvements are made valid and binding and the council of such incorporated borough may cause the property bounding or abutting upon the street or part thereof upon which the improvement has been made to be assessed in the manner now provided by law with such a portion of the cost of such improvement as is contemplated by the law under which the improvement was made or attempted to be made Such assessment shall be a lien upon the property assessed The lien shall date from the completion of the improvement for which the assessment is made and shall remain a lien until fully paid and satisfied Provided That a writ of scire facias is issued to revive the same during every period of five years after a lien is filed as hereinafter provided
Section 2 The council of any incorporated borough of this Commonwealth entitled to a lien under this act shall file a lien therefore in the office of the prothonotary of the county within which the property lies within six months after the approval of this act and the same shall be entered upon record as other municipal claims Such lien shall state the name of the party claimant which shall be the corporate name of the borough making the improvement the name of the owner or reputed owner of the property assessed a reasonable description of the property assessed the amount or sum claimed to be due which shall include interest on the assessment from the completion of the improvement for what improvement the claim is made the date of its completion the date of the assessment for which the lien is filed Such lien when so filed shall be prima facie evidence of all matters therein set forth and of the right of the borough to recover the amount therein claimed to be due together with interest from the date of the lien or completion of the improvement costs and an attorney's commission of five per centum for collecting

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 The claim when so filed shall be proceeded upon for collection by writ of scire facias substantially And when the claimant files the praecipe for the writ of scire facias it may direct the prothonotary to add and insert the name of any person whom the claimant may know to have an interest in the premises and the scire facias shall be issued containing such additional names The said writ shall be made returnable to the monthly or other return day in the respective courts The sheriff to whom the scire facias is given for service shall serve the same upon the owner or reputed owner or person added to the writ personally or by leaving a copy thereof duly attested with an adult member of his family or of the family in which he resides at least ten days before the return day thereof if the owner of the property can not be found or has no residence within the county in which the property lies the sheriff shall thereupon return the said writ nihil and thereupon and alias scire facias may issue which shall be served by notice posted upon the premises stating the substance of the writ at least ten days prior to the return day and also by advertisement in at least two newspapers published in the county in which the premises are located once a week for three successive weeks Such posting and publication shall be equivalent to a service

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 4, line 6, by striking out "and" following "thereupon."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 If the writ or alies writ shall have been served as aforesaid and no appearance entered on or before the return day thereof the plaintiff therein shall be entitled to judgment after the return day thereof for the debt interest costs and attorney's commission If an appearance be entered the plantiff shall also be entitled to judgment unless a sufficient affidavit of defense be filed within fifteen days after the return day If such affidavit be filed the cause shall be proceeded with in accordance with the rules of law and the practice of the courts

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 4, page 4, line 14, by striking out "alies" and inserting in lieu thereof "alias."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fifth and sixth sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 5 When final judgment shall have been entered upon such lien the plaintiff therein may have a writ of levari facias And upon the same the sheriff shall cause the said property to be advertised for sale in at least two newspapers of the proper county once a week for three weeks before the day of sale and shall also give notice by at least ten handbills posted in conspicuous places one of which shall be posted upon the property of the time and place of sale and thereupon shall proceed to sell the same The place of sale shall be the sheriff's office and the deed to the purchaser shall be executed acknowledged and delivered as in other real estate sales by the sheriff The proceeds of sale shall be distributed according to law

Section 6 The term "owner or reputed owner" as used in this act shall mean the person or persons in whose name the record title to the property stands or any person or persons in open peacable and notorious possession of the property Remaindermen or other persons interested in expectancy not having been heard and aggrieved by such final judgment upon petition presented in the proper court may have the judgment opened at any time before the sale of the property and be allowed to defend when in the judgment of the court such opening is necessary to secure justice to all parties Sale of the property shall preclude all persons from setting up anything contrary to the record

An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 224, as follows:

An Act to amend clause eighteen of section nineteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That clause eighteen of section nineteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act" which reads as follows

"18 Thirty thousand copies of Smull's Legislative Hand Book Each Senator and officer may requisiiton one hundred and fifty copies each member and officer of the House eighty copies the Governor Secretary of the Commonwealth Commissioner of Health and the State Librarian five hundred copies each the Librarian of the Senate seven hundred copies the Resident Clerk of the House of Representatives one thousand copies the Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings and the Department of Public Printing and Binding three hundred copies each the Attorney General Auditor General the State Treasurer Secretary of Internal Affairs Superintendent of Public Instruction Insurance Commissioner Adjutant General State Fire Marshal Banking Commissioner Secretary of Agriculture Commissioner of Forestry Commissioner of Labor and Industry Chief of the Department of Mines State Highway Commissioner the compiler of Smull's Hand Book and the Public Service Commission two hundred copies each the Executive Controller the Superintendent of State Police the Commissioner of Fisheries the Soldiers' Orphans' School Commission the Water Supply Commission the Board of Public Charities the Legislative Reference Bureau the Game Commission the Dairy and Food Commission the State Veterinarian the Economic Zoologist Board of Censors of Moving Pictures and the Division of Distribution of Documents fifty copies each each member and principal officer of the succeeding General Assembly ten copies of the edition published in the preceding even year of which edition twenty-five hundred additional copies may be printed From the number allotted to each department one copy shall be delivered to each officer and employe of said department by the Division of Distribution of Documents from a list to be furnished by the several departments giving the names and addresses of the officers and employes" is hereby amended to read as follows

18 Thirty thousand copies of Smull's Legislativve Hand Book Each Senator and officer may requisition one hundred and fifty copies each member and officer of the House eighty copies the Governor Secretary of the Commonwealth Commissioner of Health and the State Librarian five hundred copies each the Librarian of the Senate seven hundred copies the Resident Clerk of the House of Representatives one thousand copies the Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings the Department of Public Printing and Binding three hundred copies each the Attorney General Auditor General the State Treasurer Secretary of Internal Affairs Superintendent of Public Instruction Insurance Commissioner Adjutant General State Fire Marshal Banking Commissioner Secretary of Agriculture Commissioner of Forestry Commissioner of Labor and Industry Chief of the Department of Mines State Highway Commissioner the compiler of Smull's Hand Book and the Public Service Commission two hundred copies each the Executive Controller the Superintendent of State Police the Commissioner of Fisheries the Soldiers' Orphans' School Commission the Board of Public Charities the Legislative Reference Bureau the Game Commission the Dairy and Food Commission the State Veterinarian the Economic Zoologist Board of Censors of Moving Pictures and the Division of Distribution of Documents fifty copies each each member and principal officer of the succeeding General Assembly ten copies of the edition published in the preceding even year of which edition twenty-five hundred additional copies may be printed From the number allotted to each department one copy shall be delivered to each officer and employe of said department by the Division of Distribution of Documents from a list to be furnished by the several departments giving the names and addresses of the officers and employes

In addition to the thirty thousand copies of Smull's Legislative Hand Book provided for hereinbefore there shall be printed in each odd numbered year a sufficient number of additional copies of said Smull's Legislative Hand Book to furnish one copy thereof to each public school room in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall fix the number of such copies and shall furnish the Diviison for the Distribution of Documents a correct list of the secretaries of the several school boards in the Commonwealth giving the name and address of each such secretary and designating the number of said Smull's Legislative Hand Books which shall be forwarded to each secretary Upon the receipt of such list from the Superintendent of Public Instruction the Division for the Distribution of Documents shall forward said documents to the respective secretaries who shall furnish one copy thereof to each school room in his respective district

Section 2 All general or special acts or parts thereof inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 937 (Senate Bill No. 217), entitled

An Act preventing the manufacture, sale or transportation within the Commonwealth of adulterated or misbranded paris greens, lead arsenates, lime-sulphur compounds and other insecticides and fungicides and regulating traffc therein; providing for inspection of such materials and imposing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 959 (Senate Bill No. 201), entitled

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electrict light, heat and power plants and water works systems; providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the council of any city borough or town of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania may on behalf of such city borough or town enter into a contract with any private individual co-partnership association or corporation for the leasing of any water works plants systems and property or both of such private individual co-partnership association or corporation

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

In section 1, amend line 9, by inserting after the word "water" the word "supply."

After the word "works" in line nine, strike out the word "plants."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second, third, fourth and fifth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 The said leasing may be for such term of years and at such rental as shall be agreed upon by the city borough or town and the private individual co-partnership association or corporation

Section 3 The property so acquired shall be operated in the same manner as if the same had been acquired by such city borough or town by purchase or condemnation proceedings

Section 4 The council of the city borough or town with the consent of the Public Service Commission shall fix the rates to be charged for the water furnished within the limits of such city borough or town to individuals co-partnerships associations or corporations

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act authorizing cities, boroughs and towns to lease electric light, heat and power plants and water works plants and systems; providing for the operation thereof and the establishment of rates.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title by striking out the words "electric light, heat and power plants and."

Amend by inserting between the words "water" and "works" the following: "supply."

After the word "works" strike out the word "plants."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 678 (Senate Bill No. 186), entitled

An Act relating to the apointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class; constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method of fixing compensation of a secretary.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act no person or persons may be appointed to any salaried position whatever in the fire department except volunteer fire departments in any city of the third class in this Commonwealth without first having passed all the examinations hereinafter provided for and having been appointed in the manner and according to the terms provisions and conditions of this act

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 999, entitled

An Act authorizing the Governor to fill vacancies in the office of county commissioners in certain counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1117, entitled

An Act providing that appointive officers and employes employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or by any county or municipality thereof in its civil service, who have a wife children or parents dependents upon them for support, shall not be deemed or held to have resigned or abandoned their offices or employments by reason of enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in time of war or contemplated war; prohibiting the removal from their offices of employments of such officers and employed during the period of their service in the army or navy; directing that one half of the salaries or wages of such officers or employes not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, be paid during the term of their service in the army or navy to such dependents thereof; authorizing the employment, during said term, of substitutes to perform the duties theretofore performed by such officers or employes respectively, and providing for the compensation of such substitutes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1056, entitled

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Health to accept private and philanthropic donations to assist in the care and treatment of indigent tuberculous persons.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order.

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 950, entitled

An Act providing for vacating part or parts of any abandoned or condemned turnpike forming part of a State highway route where the course of said route has been diverted leaving such part or parts of said turnpike outside the limits thereof and providing upon such vacation the same shall become township road.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act relative to the carrying, use and sale of dangerous weapons.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 399, entitled

An Act amending the first and seventeenth sections of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith, and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes," relating to taxing bonds, mortgages, and other securities and also by removing the exemption of life and fire insurance corporations having no capital stock, from the provision of the act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 40, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twelfth day of July, A. D. 1913, entitled, "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process, or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1247, entitled

An Act to amend the fifth clause of section three of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act relating to food; defining food; providing for the protection of the public health, and the prevention of fraud and deception, by prohibiting the manufacture or sale, the offering for sale or exposing for sale, or the having in possession with intent to sell of adulterated, misbranded, or deleterious foods; prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 485, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section four, article six, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania relating to the removal of appointed officers.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 486, entitled

An Act prohibiting political activity by appointed officers, clerks and employes of cities of the first class; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; giving taxpayers a right of action to restrain payment of compensation to persons violating this act and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1001, entitled

An Act to amend part of section two of an act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to enable the Governor to appoint notaries public and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 490, entitled

An Act prohibiting the solicitation, payment or receipt in any public building belonging to any city of the first class of any money or valuable thing for political purposes; prohibiting the solicitation or receipt by or from officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prohibiting the payment by officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; prescribing methods of enforcing this penalty, and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1009, entitled

An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act providing for payment of costs in criminal cases by the proper county," approved the nineteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, by providing for payment of costs by the proper county in criminal cases where the bill of indictment has been quashed.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 662, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to make, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone, or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock, approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose, constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying, or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,' " approved the twenty third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing, or sale of petroleum and petroleum products," by extending the same to corporations incorporated for the manufacture of leather or articles containing leather.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1017, entitled

An Act prohibiting the handling or driving of horses or other animals or teams or vehicles on the public highways of the Commonwealth by an intoxicated person and providing penalties therefor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 621, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith and providing for the disposition of the license, fines and penalties received."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 711, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county-seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth, providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll-roads forming all or part of any State highways, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 912, entitled

An Act validating certain foreclosure proceedings instituted by foreign executors, administrators and guardians sheriff's sales had thereon and the title acquired thereby.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 985, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment of auxiliary State game preserves.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 960, entitled

An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the deposit of dirt, refuse or rubbish upon pavements, public highways or streets and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 691, entitled

An Act regulating the practice of drugless therapeutics; defining the same; creating a Board of Licensure therefor and means and methods whereby the right to practice drugless therapeutics in any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom; providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1253, entitled

A Joint Resolution petitioning the government of the United States and the Secretary of War to rescind or modify the order of the Department of War requiring the raising of certain bridges over the Allegheny River.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1241, entitled

An Act requiring the courts of quarter session to file their reasons for revoking or refusing to renew existing liquor licenses; requiring compensation to be paid the holder of the license or owner of the premises upon the revocation or refusal thereof in certain cases by the county and vesting in the court of common pleas jurisdiction in such cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1181, entitled

An Act making the fraudulent conversion of property or the proceeds of property a misdemeanor prescribing the penalties therefor and regulating the procedure therein

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1133, entitled

An Act to enable any city town borough or township owning and operating its own water works to require a water meter to be installed upon every property supplied from such water works at the expense of the owner thereof and providing that the cost of and charge of installing such water meter shall be a lien upon such property with the same priority and enforceable in the same manner as a municipal claim

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1101 (Senate Bill No. 364), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirtieth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1103 (Senate Bill No. 366), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York Mercer Union Huntingdon Luzerne and Schuylkill"

approved the fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1102 (Senate Bill No. 365), entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny" approved the eighth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1105 (Senate Bill No. 371), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny" approved the thirteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1107 (Senate Bill No. 373), entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny County, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny, incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company, relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River, authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown, relative to miners in Schuylkill County, legitimatizing James C. Collins, relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1106 (Senate Bill No. 372), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county" approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1108 (Senate Bill No. 377), entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act, entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, and giving the courts power to enforce its provisions," approved the fourteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1104 (Senate Bill No. 370), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to unused streets lanes and alleys" approved the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1096 (Senate Bill No. 286), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1040 (Senate Bill No. 213), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1041 (Senate Bill No. 317), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1041 (Senate Bill No. 317), File Folio 615, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special for the purposes of a hearing.

Mr. BENNINGER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1042 (Senate Bill No. 318), entitled

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1098 (Senate Bill No. 352), entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1043 (Senate Bill No. 342), entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats and providing a penalty" giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation Jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1100 (Senate Bill No. 356), entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 335 (Senate Bill No. 50), entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 956 (Senate Bill No. 117), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof approved the twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws, page seventy-nine) by providing that the petition praying for dissolution may be by any owner or owners of capital stock and providing for publication of notice in the proper legal periodical.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 479, entitled

An Act relating to drugs, regulating the possession, control, dealing in, sale, dispensing, distribution, prescription, trafficking in, or giving away of certain drugs, regulating the use of drugs in the cure of the drug habit; and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1248, entitled

An Act requiring all persons hunting for game to wear red coats or red caps or hats, and providing penalties for violations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1249, entitled

An Act prohibiting state agents and employes from acting as guides to hunters and fishermen, and from boarding or lodging hunters and fishermen during certain periods of time; and providing penalties for violations.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1032, entitled

An Act validating certain proceedings and elections of any town, township or borough held to submit and determine the question of becoming a city of the third class, held pursuant to an act, entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation, regulation, and government of cities of the third class; regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein; and repealing, consolidating, and extending existing laws in relation thereto," approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, as amended by the act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and validating letters patent issued or to be issued in pursuance thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 991, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the State Highway Commissioner to take over abandoned rights of way or any part or parts thereof owned or controlled by railroad or railway companies, for the use of the State Highway Department, for the purpose of locating or re-locating and constructing State Highways, and providing a method of acquiring the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1147, entitled

An Act validating certain satisfactions of mortgages heretofore entered in good faith at the instance of the mortgagee.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 689, entitled

An Act regulating the speed of motor-driven vehicles run on or over the public bridges of this Commonwealth, and providing the punishment for violations thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 794, entitled

An Act to provide for the extradition of persons of unsound mind, and to make uniform the laws of the states which enact the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 853, entitled

An Act requiring the Commonwealth, and all counties thereof and all public institutions owned, managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof, to purchase supplies and certain materials from State correctional institutions; providing for the administration of this act by the Prison Labor Commission and others; and making it unlawful under certain circumstances for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or any County Controller or the Treasurer of any Public Institutions to approve any bill for such materials or supplies purchased elsewhere.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 921, entitled

An Act authorizing the Valley Forge Park Commission to release and quit claim to Thomas Cutler and Anna Marie Cutler, his wife, certain water rights at Valley Forge.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 94, entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the sixth day of February, one thousand eight hundred four, entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York" (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five), by regulating the term and election of directors of the poor.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1310, entitled

An Act to confer additional powers upon fire insurance companies.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1237 (Senate Bill No. 573), entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded ta the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1039 (Senate Bill No. 180), entitled

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHigh of Weatherly, employed as a game warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1205 (Senate Bill No. 491), entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1218 (Senate Bill No. 119), entitled

An Act providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1204 (Senate Bill No. 490), entitled

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liability for such payment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1176, entitled

An Act providing for the establishment in cities of the first class of a house or houses of detention for witnesses and untried prisoners, for the commitment of such prisoners and witnesses thereto and for the payment of the cost of establishing and maintaining the same by the county wherein said cities are situated.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. GANS asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 498 (Senate Bill No. 52), on the third reading calendar, page 10, for the purpose of amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 498 (Senate Bill No. 52), entitled

An Act to prohibit the unauthorized used of certain containers in the sale, exchange or delivery of milk or cream or their products or any other products and prescribing penalties.

On the question,

Will the Houes agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to offer amendments at this time.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk for information.

The Clerk then read the amendments as follows:

In line three of the title after the word "products" insert "or any other products."

The SPEAKER. Will the House give unanimous consent to the insertion of the amendments at this time? Is there any objection? The Chair hears none, and the amendments will be inserted in accordance with the instructions of the House.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended lie over for printing.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Mr. RININGER asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 678 (Senate Bill No. 186), on the second reading calendar, page 4, of to-day's calendar.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Houes proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 678 (Senate Bill No. 186), entitled

An Act relating to the appointment of persons to the fire departments in cities of the third class constituting a civil service board in relation thereto; providing for and regulating examinations, the manner of appointments and the manner and power of removal of employes of said department and providing a method of fixing compenastion of a secretary.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The SPEAKER announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 122.

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (pamphlet laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire

House Bill No. 293.

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth," as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

House Bill No. 384.

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of may, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over.

House Bill No. 477.

An Act to enable foreign fraternal beneficiary associations and corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles

House Bill No. 608.

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Bedford County

House Bill No. 657.

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants

House Bill No. 799.

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas oyer and terminer and general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' court in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants

House Bill No. 852.

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

House Bill No. 877.

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts

House Bill No. 259.

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 866, as follows:

An Act to regulate the practice of Pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof defining the words "Drug" and "Poison" and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality strength and purity

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That (a) The term "pharmacy" when not otherwise limited shall for all the purposes of this act be taken to mean a retail drug store or any place where drugs medicines or poisons are compounded dispensed prepared or sold at retail (b) The term "drug" as used in this act shall include all medicine and preparations recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia the National Formulary or the American Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia for internal or external use and any other substance or mixture of substances intended to be used for the cure mitigation or prevention of disease of either man or other animals (c) The term "pharmacist" shall for all purposes of this act be deemed to mean a person who is properly registered in accordance with this act of Assembly as a pharmacist

(d) The term "assistant pharmacist" shall for all the purposes of this act be deemed to mean a person who is properly registered in accordance with this act of Assembly as an assistant pharmacist Provided however That all persons registered as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists by the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board of Pennsylvania under the act of May twenty-fourth one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven and various supplements and amendments entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons" and to prevent adulterations in drugs and medicinal preparations in the State of Pennsylvania shall be deemed to be pharmacists or assistant pharmacists respectively registered under this act

Section 2 That there shall be established in the State of Pennsylvania a board to be known as "The Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy" to consist of five persons three of whom shall constitute a quorum who shall be appointed for the term of five years by the Governor from among the most skillful pharmacists in Pennsylvania who are not teachers or instructors in any educational institution teaching pharmacy each appointee must have been registered as a pharmacist in Pennsylvania for at least ten years previous to his appointment and he must be actually engaged in conducting a pharmacy at the time of his appointment provided whereas a State Pharmaceutical Examining Board has heretofore been created in this Commonwealth and is now instituted and organized as provided in this act of Assembly the members of the said Board heretofore created shall constitute and henceforth be deemed and taken to be the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy established by this act of Assembly

That the appointed members of said Board heretofore created shall respectively continue to hold office as members of the Board established by this act of Assembly until the expiration of the term for which each was originally appointed The members of said Board shall be paid ten dollars per diem and their necessary expenses when actually engaged in the performance of the duties of the Board

The officers of said Board shall be a President Vice President Secretary and Treasurer all of whom shall be elected annually from among their number The salary of the said Secretary shall be a reasonable amount to be determined by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy The members of said Board shall within ten days of their appointment take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before a properly qualified officer of the county in which they reside that they will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of their office which oath or affirmation which oath shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth

And the said Board shall have the right to employ chemists assistant chemists agents and clerks for the purpose of carrying out the terms and conditions prescribed by this act of Assembly Any vacancy occurring in the said Board shall be filled by the Governor from among such only as are eligible for appointment under this act of Assembly Provided however If the office of a member shall become vacant before the expiration of the term for which said member was appointed the vacancy shall be filled by an appointment by the Governor for the unexpired term only

Section 3 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall meet at least four times a year in the City of Harrisburg or such other place in Pennsylvania as they may deem expedient and examine all persons in the science of pharmacy and its allied branches who shall make application for registration as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists and that the said Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or a majority of them shall grant to such persons as may be qualified registration and certificates of competency and qualification which shall entitle the holders thereof to all the privileges of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under the provisions of this act as may be specified therein

Section 4 That every person applying to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy for examination and registration as a pharmacist shall be not less than twenty-one years of age and of good moral character and must produce satisfactory evidence of having had not less than four years practical experience in a pharmacy under the personal supervision of a pharmacist at least two years of which experience must have been acquired within the United States in the business of retailing compounding or dispensing of drugs chemicals and poisons and of compounding of physicians' prescriptions or in the case of an applicant having acquired experience in the drug dispensary of a regular public hospital which dispensary was conducted under the constant supervision of a registered pharmacist two years of such experience shall be allowed in lieu of two years required in a pharmacy and of being a graduate of some reputable and properly chartered college of pharmacy so recognized by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy of this or some other State or any foreign country whose pharmacy licensing board or other authority recognizes the graduates of the reputable and properly chartered colleges of pharmacy of this State and admits the graduates of all such colleges to its pharmacy licensure examinations And every person applying for registration as qualified assistant shall be not less than eighteen years of age and of good moral character and must produce satisfactory evidence of having had not less than two years practical experience as defined and provided in this section

Section 5 Each applicant fo rexamination and registration as a pharmacist shall pay to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy an examination fee of five dollars ($5.00) If the said applicant passes a satisfactory examination and complies with the rules and regulations and with the terms and conditions of this act of Assembly then the said Board shall grant the applicant registration and a certificate of competency and qualification as a pharmacist upon the pyment of a fee of twelve dollars ($12.00) provided said fee shall be paid to the said Board within thirty days of the time that the said applicant is notified that a satisfactory examination has been passed

Each applicant for examination and registration as assistant pharmacist must pay a fee of three dollars ($3.00) to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy and if the said applicant passes satisfactory examination and complies with the rules and regulation of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy for the enforcement of this act of assembly and with the terms and conditions of this act of Assembly the said board shall grant the said applicant registration and a certificate of competency and qualification as an assistant pharmacist upon payment of a fee of five dollars ($5.00) provided that said fee shall be paid to the said board within thirty (30) days of the time when the said applicant is notified that a satisfactory examination has been passed

Section 6 That the registration of any pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under this act of Assembly may be revoked by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy when the registration is proved to have been obtained by fraudulent means

Section 7 That there shall be kept in every pharmacy a copy of the latest revision of the United States Pharmacopoeia and the latest edition of the National Formulary and if homeopathic remedies are compounded and dispensed a copy of the latest revision of the American Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia or the Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States which books must be open to the inspection of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or the agents thereof Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 8 That all certificates as pharmacists or assistant pharmacists issued under the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall at all times be conspicuously exhibited in the place of business where the pharmacist or assistant pharmacist is employed Any pharmacist violating this section of this act of Assembly as to the display of his own or his employes' certificates shall be guilty of a misdemeanor upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 9 That it shall be unlawful for any person to impersonate an applicant before the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy who shall be applying for registration under the provisions of this act of Assembly Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars ($100.00) or to undergo an imprisonment of six months in the county prison or either or both in the discretion of the court

Section 10 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall make uniform rules and regulations for the enforcement of this act including the forms of application for registration in accordance therewith

Section 11 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall enforce the provisions of this act of Assembly investigate all complaints and charges of non-compliance and prosecute all persons so offending whenever reasonable ground shall appear for such action All fines imposed through a violation of this act shall be paid to the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy and by him paid into the State Treasury for use in the enforcement of this act of Assembly

Section 12 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy shall make an annual report to the Governor of Pennsylvania of the work performed during the year together with a complete financial statement of all moneys received and all moneys paid out One thousand (1,000) copies of this report shall be printed by the State printer of Pennsylvania and two copies sent to each member of the Legislature the remaining copies to be distributed upon application by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy All papers and records together with the minutes of the board shall be filed in the office of the board

Section 13 That hereafter it shall be unlawful to sell drugs medicines or poisons at retail or to compound physicians' prescriptions or to conduct a pharmacy or to practice as a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist except in compliance with the provisions of this act of Assembly provided however that nothing in this act of Assembly shall be so construed as to interfere with students of pharmacy or other employes in a pharmacy from performing such duties as may be assigned to them by and under the supervision of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist and provided further that the compounding of physicians' prescriptions or the dispensing and selling of posons at retail shall not be permitted except under the strict supervision and in the presence of a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist

Nothing in this act of Assembly shall be construed so as to prevent an authorized practitioner of medicine from administering or dispensing such drugs to bona fide patients as he or she shall deem necessary provided however that such drugs so administered or dispensed shall conform to the standards of strength quality and purity as fixed by the laws of this Commonwealth nor prevent the sale or manufacture of proprietory medicines nor prevent storekeepers from dealing in and selling commonly used household drugs when the same are offered for sale or sold in packages which have been put up ready for sale to consumers by pharmacists manufacturing pharmacists or wholesale druggists Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) or imprisonment for not more than one year or either or both in the discretion of the court

Section 14 That it shall be lawful for a pharmacist to take use and exhibit the title pharmacist pharmacy or drug store and to have charge of engage in conduct or carry on for himself or for another the dispensing compounding or sale of drugs chemicals medicines prescriptions or poisons anywhere within the State bue he shall have personal supervision of not more than one pharmacy at the same time

It shall be lawful for an assistant pharmacist to take use or exhibit the title assistant pharmacist and to assist in the dispensing compounding or retailing of drugs chemicals medicines prescriptions or poisons in a pharmacy which is under the management and personal supervision of a pharmacist registered under the provisions of this act he may also perform such duties during the temporary absence of the pharmacist regularly in charge

Section 15 That it shall be unlawful for any person firm or corporation to use the title pharmacist assistant pharmacist druggist or apothecary except as authorized under this act of Assembly It shall further be unlawful to use the title drug store or pharmacy or any title having the same meaning for a place where drugs are sold at retail except by persons registered as pharmacists under the provisions of this act Provided however It shall not be unlawful for the owner of a pharmacy who is not registered under this act as a pharmacist to employ such titles when his pharmacy is conducted by a pharmacist duly registered under this act Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 16 That the members of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy or any of their authorized agents shall have the right to enter any place where drugs are compounded dispensed or sold for the purpose of purchasing samples and shall have the right to purchase samples in order that tests may be made to determine whether such drugs conform to the standards of strength quality and purity as fixed by the laws of this Commonwealth Any person who intentionally prevents or knowingly refuses to permit any authorized person to enter any place where drugs are compounded dispensed or sold for the purpose of purchasing samples or refuses to sell a sample or samples of drugs for the purpose of examination shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars ($10.00) and the costs of prosecution

Section 17 That the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy may register as a pharmacist without examination any person who was duly registered as a pharmacist by examination in some other state provided that the said person shall produce satisfactory evidence of having had the required secondary and professional education demanded of applicants for registration as pharmacist under the provisions of this act and provided also that the state in which such person was registered shall grant registration as a pharmacist without examination to pharmacists duly registered by examination within the meaning of this act A fee of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) shall be paid for such registration

Section 18 Poisons That a poison in the meaning of this act of Assembly shall be any drug chemical or preparation which according to standard works on medicine toxicology or Materia Medica is liable to be destructive to adult human life in quantities of sixty grains or less or any mixture compound or preparation containing in sixty grains or less a sufficient quantity of any such drug chemical or preparation as to make the same liable to be destructive to adult human life if sixty grains or less were to be taken

No person shall sell at retail or dispense any poison except as herein provided without affixing to the bottle

box vessel or package containing same a label printed or plainly written containing the name of the article the word "Poison" and the name and place of business of the seller nor shall he deliver poison to any person without satisfying himself that the purchaser understands the poisonous nature of the article and that such poison is to be used for legitimate purposes

It shall be the further duty of anyone selling at retail or dispensing poison which according to standard works on medicine toxicology or Materia Medica is liable to be destructive to adult human life in quantities of five grains or less before delivering them to enter in a book kept for this purpose the name of the seller the name and address of the buyer the name of the article the quantity sold or disposed of the date on which sold and the purpose for which it is said to be intended Such book of registry shall be preserved for at least two years from the last date of entry and shall at all times be open to inspection of the coroner police authorities or the agents of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy provided however that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the dispensing of physicians' prescriptions specifying poisonous articles nor to the sale of mixed paints of all kinds white lead and colors ground in oil and all lead products for technical purposes

Any person violating this section of this act of Assembly shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00)

Section 19 This act shall not apply to the sale of poisons for tenchical use and not sold or offered for sale as a drug within the meaning of this act provided that the article is labeled to show plainly that it is for technical use and not for medicinal use and is sold in compliance with section eighteen of this act of Assembly

Section 20 That all physicians' prescriptions compounded and dispensed shall be kept on file in the pharmacy in which compounded for a period of at least five years and during that time the same shall be open to the inspection of the police authorities upon presentation of an order from the court or to the members of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy

Section 21 That it shall be unlawful for any person to falsely make oath or affirmation to any statement in any application made to this board for registration as a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist or to any statement in support of the experience claimed in any application by any applicant for registration under this act Any person so doing shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) and costs of prosecution

Section 22 That it shall be unlawful for any unregistered person to have charge of a pharmacy and anyone who permits any person who is not registered or deemed to be a pharmacist or assistant pharmacist under this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and both shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) and costs of prosecution

Section 23 That all acts and parts of acts so far as they may be in conflict with this act are hereby declared void and of no effect provided however That if any action or prosecution now pending for violations of any of the acts of Assembly hereby repealed occurring prior to the passage of this act of Assembly and provided further that the duties and powers of the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board under any act of the General Assembly in force and effect on and after July first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen shall be taken to be the duties and powers of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy created by this act of Assembly This act shall be in force and effect on and after July first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

MR. RININGER IN THE CHAIR.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 505 (Senate Bill No. 87), entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife, residents of Washington Township, County of Erie, to bring suits in the court of common pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—106.

Albee,	Dunn,	Maurer,	Sampsel,
Aston,	Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Scott,
Baldi,	Erdman,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Barner,	Fackler,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Bechtold,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shunk,
Benninger,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Beyer,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, F. I.,
Black,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Smith, J. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Geary,	Michel,	Stadtlander,
Burnett,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Sterling,
Canon,	Graham,	Milliron,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Gransback,	Milner,	Stites,
Christman,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Swartz,
Cox,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Hollingsworth,	Ogden,	Urich,
Curry,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Reichenbacker,	Wells,
Dean,	Laucks,	Reynolds,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Leary,	Rich,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Baldwin,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Speaker.
Drake,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 507 (Senate Bill No. 112), entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—108.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Aston,	Fackler,	McKay,	Scott,
Baldi,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Bechtold,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Shattuck,
Benninger,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Shunk,
Beyer,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Siggins,
Black,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Geary,	Michel,	Sprowls,
Burnett,	Glass,	Miller, A. D.,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, J. O.,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Canon,	Gransback,	Milner,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Stites,
Christman,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Swartz,
Cox,	Hollern,	Musser,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Ogden,	Urich,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Palmer,	Vickerman,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Patterson,	Walker,
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Pickering,	Walter,
Dean,	Laucks,	Ramsey,	Weimer,
Dewey,	Lauler,	Reichenbacker,	Wells,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Rich,	Whitaker,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Wickman,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Sampsel,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 422 (Senate Bill No. 33), entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections 635 to 640, both inclusive.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—109.

Albee,	Donneley,	Lewis,	Scott,
Aron,	Drake,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Arthur,	Dunn,	Maurer,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Shunk,
Baldi,	Erdman,	McCullough,	Siggins,
Barner,	Fackler,	McKinney,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Sprowls,
Benninger,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Stadtlander,
Beyer,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Steedle,
Black,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sterling,
Bouton, V. B.,	Glass,	Michel,	Stern,
Brady,	Golder,	Milliron,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Graeff,	Milner,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Graham,	Morgan, T.,	Swartz,
Canon,	Gransback,	Murphy,	Thomas,
Chestnut,	Haldeman,	Musser,	Urich,
Christman,	Hecht,	Neary,	Walker,
Conner,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Walter,
Cox,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Weimer,
Crosby,	Hollern,	Ramsey,	Wells,
Curry,	Hollingsworth,	Reichenbacker,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Howarth,	Rich,	Wobensmith,
Dawson,	Isherwood,	Rininger,	Wylie,
Dewey,	Jones,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Dithrich,	Lauler,	Sampsel,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 775, entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the courts of common pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with article five, section seven, of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—110.

Albee,	Eby,	McKay,	Siggins,
Aron,	Ehrhardt,	McKinney,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McNichol,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Flynn,	McPeake,	Snowden,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Sones,
Bell,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Sprowls,
Beyer,	Gans,	Michel,	Stadtlander,
Black,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Golder,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Graham,	Milner,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Gransback,	Musser,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hecht,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Heffernan,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Cox,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Walter,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Weimer,
Cummins,	Jones,	Richards,	Wells,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Dell,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wylie,
Dewey,	Maurer,	Scott,	Zanders,
Dithrich,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Dunn,	McCurdy,	Shunk,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 659, as follows

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General declaring the purpose for which such license taxes are to be used and making an appropriation thereof prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act providing for the confiscation of certain machines and making an appropriation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That an annual State license tax is hereby imposed upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices having a slot in which a coin or other article may be dropped or inserted to cause the delivery automatically or otherwise of merchandise or service of any description or to permit the use thereof automatically or otherwise for any purpose whatsoever The annual license tax imposed by this act shall be as follows (a) On all such machines and devices in which coins of the denomination of one cent only can be dropped or inserted the sum of one dollar (b) On all such machines and devices in which coins of the denomination from one cent to and including five cents can be dropped or inserted the sum of two dollars (c) On all such machines and devices in which coins of the denomination of five cents and over can be dropped or inserted or in which only coins of a denomination greater than five cents can be dropped or inserted the sum of five dollars

Section 2 After December thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen it shall be unlawful for any owner lessee or possessor of any automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machine or device to operate or permit to be operated any such machine or device or to place or have in any place or position where the same may be operated any such machine or device unless there is securely attached thereto a license from the Auditor General as hereinafter provided

Section 3 Before January first one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and before the first day of January of each succeeding year every owner lessee or possessor of every automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machine or device shall make application to the Auditor General for a license for each such machine or device which application shall be accompanied by the proper fee Such license shall be made of metal and shall have stamped thereon the words "Licensed machine" together with the year for which issued and which when issued shall be securely attached to such machine or device in a conspicuous place All licenses shall expire on the thirty-first day of December of the year for which issued

Section 4 The application for a license for each machine or device shall be made separately on a blank to be provided for that purpose by the Auditor General In cases however where application is made by any one person for licenses for a number of machines or devices of the same make and character and devoted to the same purposes one application shall be considered sufficient for any number of such machines or devices Such application shall in each case specify the character of the machine or device for which the license is requested together with the purpose to which such machine or device is devoted

Section 5 All moneys collected or received by the Auditor General for such licenses shall be immediately converted into the State Treasury and shall be kept in a separate fund and shall be used only for the construction reconstruction and improvement of State and State-aid roads and all such moneys are hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department and shall be paid from the State Treasury upon requisition of the Highway Commissioner after audit and approval by the Auditor General in the usual manner

Section 6 Every owner lessee or possessor of any automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machine or device who shall operate or permit any such machine or device to be operated or who shall place or have in any position or place where the same may be operated any such machine or device without the license required by this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each and every offense The having of any one machine or device contrary to the provisions of this act shall constitute a separate offense

Section 7 This act shall not be construed to permit the licensing or operation of any gambling machine or device

or any other machine or device the use of which is now prohibited by law

Section 8 All automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices operated contrary to the provisions of this act shall be confiscated by the police authorities of any municipality or any constable of any township or borough

Section 9 The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated to the Auditor General for the two fiscal years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen for the purpose of providing the licenses required by this act and for clerical assistance and incidental expenses connected with the enforcement of this act

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. HECHT. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1033, as follows

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one entitled "An Act relating to the commencemetn of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and orphans and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protetcion of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates by regulating the number of appraisers

Whereas Uncertainty has arisen under the act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and twelve) as amended by the act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred and seventy-seven) and under the act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred and seventy-five) as to the number of appraisers required to appraise the property to the value of three hundred dollars to be set aside to the widow or children of decedents and as to the number of appraisers required to appraise the property to the value of five thousand dollars to be set aside to the widow or widower under certain circumstances as provided for in the act approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws eighty-seven) as amended by the act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy-five) therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the fifth section of an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twelve) entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates" as amended by an act approved the twenty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eight hundred seventy-seven) entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred fifty-one entitled 'An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgements of deeds and sequestration of life estates' by regulating the appointment and number of appraisers" which reads as follows

"Section 5 That hereafter the widow or the children of any decedent dying within this Commonwealth testate or intestate may retain either real or personal property belonging to said estate to the value of three hundred dollars and the same shall not be sold but suffered to remain for the use of the widow and family and it shall be the duty of the exceutor or administrator of such decedent to have the said property appraised in the same manner as is provided in the act passed the ninth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine entitled 'An Act to exempt property to the value of three hundred dollars from levy and sale on execution and distress for rent' but the appraisement shall be made by the appraisers appointed to appraise the other personal estate of the decedent Provided That this section shall not affect or impair any liens for the purchase money of such real estate and the said appraisement upon being signed and certified by the appraisers and approved by the orphans' court shall be filed among the records thereof Provided however That should any of such appraisers be unable to make the appraisement provided for by this act the orphans' court of the proper county may appoint a properly qualified appraiser to act in the place of said appraiser of the other personal estate of the decedent" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 5 That hereafter the widow or children of any decedent dying within this Commonwealth testate or intestate may retain either real or personal property belonging to said estate to the value of three hundred dollars and the same shall not be sold but suffered to remain for the use of the widow and family and it shall be the duty of the executor or administrator of such decedent to have the said property appraised in the same manner as is provided in the act passed the ninth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine entitled "An Act to exempt propeerty to the value of three hundred dollars from levy and sale on execution and distress for rent" but the number of appraisers required to make said appraisement shall be two who shall be the same as those appointed to appraise the other personal estate of the decedent Provided That this section shall not affect or impair any liens for the purchase money of such real estate and the said appraisement upon being signed and certified by the appraisers and approved by the orphans' court shall be filed among the records thereof Provided however That should any of such appraisers be unable to make the appraisement provided for by this act the orphans' court of the proper county may appoint a properly qualified appraiser to act in the place of said appraiser of the other personal estate of the decedent

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—111.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Sampsel,
Aron,	Erdman,	McCaig,	Scott,
Aston,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Barner,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Siggins,
Beyer,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Simpson,
Black,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Bouton, V. B.,	Geary,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Brady,	Glass,	Michel,	Snowden,
Burnett,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Sprowls,
Campbell, T.,	Graham,	Milliron,	Stadtlander,
Canon,	Gransback,	Milner,	Steedle,
Chestnut,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Sterling,
Conner,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stern,
Cook,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Stites,
Corbin,	Hollern,	Neary,	Stofflet,
Cox,	Hollingsworth,	Ogden,	Sullivan,
Crosby,	Hough,	Perry,	Swartz,
Cummins,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Ulsh,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Urich,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Ramsey,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Rich,	Wells,
Dell,	Lewis,	Ringler,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Mangan,	Rininger,	Wylie,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Rogers,	Baldwin,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Ruddy,	Speaker.
Dunn,			

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 42, as follows

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-five entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority

of the same That section eight of an act approved the fifth day of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia" which reads as follows

"Section 8 The said magistrates shall be paid by the said city for their services and to cover the expenses for rent of a suitable place in which to hold said court (to be selected by the magistrates of said courts respectively) and for the dockets blank books legal blanks and stationary for the use of said magistrate courts a salary of three thousand dollars per annum to be paid in quarterly payments on the first Mondays of July October January and April in each and every year and it shall be the duty of the Councils of said city to appropriate annually a sufficient sum to pay said salaries and the said dockets blank books and legal blanks shall be uniform in character" be amended so as to read as follows

Section 8 The said magistrates shall be paid by the said city for their services and to cover the expenses for rent of a suitable place in which to hold said court (to be selected by the magistrates of said courts respectively) and for the dockets blank books legal blanks and stationery for the use of said magistrate courts a salary of four thousand dollars per annum to be paid in monthly payments on the first Monday of each month in each and every year and it shall be the duty of the councils of said city to appropriate annually a sufficient sum to pay said salaries and the said dockets blank books and legal blanks shall be uniform in character

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—112.

Albee,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Sinclair,
Aron,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Smith, E. R.,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Smith, J. W.,
Aston,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Snowden,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mehring,	Sprowls,
Barner,	Glass,	Michel,	Stadtlander,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, Allan,	Steedle,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sterling,
Black,	Gransback,	Milner,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Helt,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Swartz,
Cook,	Hollern,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Crosby,	Howarth,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Walker,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Richards,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lafferty,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dewey,	Lauler,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Rothenberger,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wood,
Drake,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Scott,	Wynne,
Eby,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Flynn,	McKay,	Siggins,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 119, entitled

An Act authorizing a State Association of Township Supervisors and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof by the respective counties.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—106.

Albee,	Drinkhouse,	Lauler,	Rininger,
Aron,	Dunn,	Leary,	Robertson,
Arthur,	Ehrhardt,	Lewis,	Rogers,
Aston,	Fackler,	Marvin,	Scott,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	Maurer,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Barner,	Flynn,	McArdle,	Shunk,
Bell,	Fowler,	McCaig,	Smith, E. R.,
Benninger,	Franklin,	McCullough,	Smith, J. W.,
Beyer,	Fretz,	McCurdy,	Sprowls,
Black,	Gans,	McKay,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Geary,	McNichol,	Steedle,
Brady,	Glass,	McVicar,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Golder,	Michel,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Stites,
Christman,	Graham,	Milliron,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Gransback,	Milner,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Urich,
Crosby,	Hecht,	Neary,	Walter,
Cummins,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Weimer,
Curry,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Whitaker,
Davis, W.,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Wickman,
Dawson,	Howarth,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wylie,
Dell,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Wynne,
Dewey,	Jones,	Richards,	Baldwin,
Dithrich,	Lafferty,	Ringler,	Speaker.

NAYS—10.

Canon,	McKinney,	Ramsey,	Smith, F. I.,
Chestnut,	Musser,	Sampsel,	Snyder,
Drake,	Perry,	Siggins,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. WALTER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to and (at 1.15 P. M.) the House adjourned until Monday, April 9, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M.

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SENATE.

MONDAY, April 9, 1917.

The Senate met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer.

Almighty God, we thank Thee that out of the darkness that has been spread over the world by this terrible war we are beginning to realize that "there is a Divinity that shapes our ends, rough-hew them as we may." The clear-cut message of the President of the United States, presented as a slogan around which this great country is to rally, is bringing our people to the great standard that has made tyranny tremble and will be one of the cleanest, purest and noblest flags that will be united in this great world struggle to secure the democratic rights and purposes of humanity. We ask Thee to bless this great nation in all of its preparations and in all that it may do. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SALUS, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Lycoming, Mr. Sones.

Mr. STEWART asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Cambria Mr. Tompkins, on account of illness.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair cleared his table and laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 106.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 106, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act to validate all sales public and private and all mortgages of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of orphans' courts upon petition of executors or administrators' approved the tenth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 16.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to advise you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 16, entitled "An Act amending section twenty-one of an act approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and thirty-one) entitled 'An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe-line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto' in relating to service of notice of filing the claim."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 49.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 49, entitled "An Act to authorize and require the County Commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to furnish a room for the Judges learned in the law of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 57.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 57, entitled "An Act authorizing cities of the third class to appropriate money annually for music in public parks and in other public places."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 34.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 34, entitled "An Act authorizing county commissioners to establish lights on county bridges."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 8.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 8, entitled "An Act fixing the salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one million population and less than one million three hundred thousand population."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 114.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 114, entitled "An Act validating certain proceedings appraising and setting aside of property under article two of section one of an act entitled 'An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates" passed and approved April eighth one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three

defining and declaring the interest that shall descend to and vest in the surviving husband or wife of such intestates' approved the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and nine."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 188.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 188, entitled "An Act authorizing administrators guardians and other trustees to invest trust funds in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 189.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 189, entitled "An Act authorizing insurance companies to invest their capital and surplus in farm loan bonds issued by Federal Land Banks under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of July seventeenth one thousand nine hundred and sixteen its amendments or supplements."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 96.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 6, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 96, entitled "An Act to amend section nine of Article VII of an act entitled 'An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto' approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 190.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed Senate Bill No. 190, entitled "An Act specifying additional securities in which trustees or directors of savings banks savings institutions and provident institutions chartered under general or special acts of Assembly may invest moneys deposited therein."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

REPORT OF ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

He also laid before the Senate communication from the Economy and Efficiency Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In accordance with the provisions of a resolution of the General Assembly approved June 17, A. D. 1915 (P. L. 1082), I have the honor to herewith transmit a report of the Economy and Efficiency Commission of Pennsylvania.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH, Chairman.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I move that the report be received and printed in the Appendix of the Legislative Journal and that five hundred copies of the report be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

(For report see Appendix.)

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which were read as follows:

COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 3, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Frederick B. Blackman, to be a Commissioner of Deeds for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with residence in the City of New York, for the term of five years from the date of confirmation.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

H. R. Domka, Pittsburgh.
G. Bruce Gordon, Pittsburgh.
Miss Fannie A. Shoen, Pittsburgh.
R. W. Watkins, Pittsburgh.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Harry B. Richardson, Beaver.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

W. M. Van Horn, Kingston.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

James H. Avery, Philadelphia.
John A. Tait, Philadelphia.
E. M. Vail, Philadelphia.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Augustus Baker, Pittsburgh, April 15, 1917.
S. E. Claney, Pittsburgh, April 15, 1917.
E. J. Kreh, Pittsburgh, April 15, 1917.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Miss Georgia B. Shaffer, Meadville, April 23, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

Louis Phillips, Erie, April 13, 1917.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY.

Michael Roberts, Jermyn, April 16, 1917.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

George J. Kulp, Wilkes-Barre, April 13, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

George A. Ansley, Philadelphia, April 15, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. SALUS,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

NOMINATION BY THE GOVERNOR.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which was read as follows:

MAGISTRATE OF COURT NO. 18.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 4, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Frank W. Neff, to be a Magistrate of Court No. 18, in and for the City of Philadelphia, to serve until the first Monday of January, 1918, vice Joseph Call, deceased.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committee be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

VETO OF SENATE BILL NO. 126.

He also laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, filed with the Chief Clerk during the interim, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith without my approval Senate Bill No. 126, entitled "An Act for the relief of indigent war veterans and their families and imposing certain powers and duties upon poor authorities organizations composed of war veterans and the officers thereof."

This act purports to be for the "relief of indigent war veterans and their families." In fact it is a measure to take from the properly constituted authorities, the Overseers of the Poor, their duties and powers with respect to this wholly worthy class of citizens and imposing these powers and duties upon committees of organizations of war veterans chosen by themselves. It is, therefore, not a measure for the relief of any one but a transferring of powers from legally constituted officials to committees of voluntary organizations not coterminous with the field of service involved. This is bad legislation.

Moreover it violates definitely Art. III, section 20 of the Constitution which section prohibits the General Assembly from delegating to any special commission, private corporation, or association any power to make, supervise or interfere with any municipal improvement, money, property or effects.

It is now the duty of the Overseers of the Poor to perform all the duties specified in this bill and they should perform this service adequately and well.

For these reasons this bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives as follows:

House Bill No. 42 (Senate Bill No. 780), entitled

An Act amending an act approved the fifth day of February, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-five, entitled "An Act relative to the establishment and jurisdiction of magistrates courts in the City of Philadelphia."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 119 (Senate Bill No. 781), entitled

An Act authorizing a State Association of Township Supervisors and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof by the respective counties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 775 (Senate Bill No. 782), entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with Article five, Section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 1033 (Senate Bill No. 783), entitled

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one entitled "An Act relating to the commencement of actions to judgments and decrees for the payment of money to the widows and children of decedents to partitions in the common pleas relative to penalties on telegraph operators to pleadings in certain actions of debt to actions of ejectments to the protection of fences to partnerships to limitations of writs of entry in manors lands and tenements to the exemption laws to reports of the Supreme Court to appeals relating to wards boroughs and township officers to the acknowledgments of deeds and sequestration of life estates" by regulating the number of appraisers

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 33.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 33, entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty both inclusive.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 112 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb, a resident of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 2, line 2, by inserting after the word "bring" the words "suit or"; also line 11, by striking out the word "Said" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Such;" also in line 12, by inserting after the word "the" the word "same;" also by inserting after the word "of" the word "practice;" also in line 13 by inserting after the word "other" the words "and similar;" also by inserting after the word "brought" the words "between individuals;" also in line 14 by inserting after the word "subject" the words "and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts."

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Washers,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

SENATE BILL NO. 87 RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives, returning to the Senate Senate Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

with the information that the House has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Mr. NASON. Mr. President, I move that Rule 21, which requires amended bills to be noted on the calendar, be in this case dispensed with, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the foregoing bill.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to,

Whereupon,

The amendments were twice read as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 2, line 2, by striking out the word "This" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Such"; also in line 3 by striking out the word "pleadings" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "practice pleading"; also in line 4 by inserting after the word "other" the words "and similar"; also by striking out after the word "individuals" the words "The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts"

On the question,

Will the House concur in the same?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Washers,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY, FRIENDSHIP AND GOODWILL OF THIS STATE TO RUSSIA IN HER SUBSTITUTION OF DEMOCRACY FOR AUTOCRACY.

He also presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, April 9, 1917.

Whereas, The people of Russia have taken the government of that country into their own hands and have substituted a Democracy for an Autocracy; and

Whereas, We wish to rejoice with Russia, the oft-proved friend of this country, that she has ranged herself on the side of enlightened freedom and liberty which have been paid for by the lives of thousands of her bravest and best; therefore, be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That this General Assembly, expressing the sentiments of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and of her sister states, rejoices with Russia that she has made her dream of Democracy come true and bespeaks for her the aid and encouragement of the liberty-loving people of our nation; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by His Excellency the Governor under the seal of the Commonwealth to the President of the Duma of Russia.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

House Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (pamphlet laws one hundred and seventy-eight) entitled "An Act creating a division of distribution of documents defining its powers and duties regulating the printing binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for the violation of this act" to provide that any member or officer of the General Assembly may have all or any part of his allotment of different documents sent on requisition to his residence or business address if he shall so desire

House Bill No. 259, entitled

An Act providing that all printing done for or by the State of Pennsylvania shall bear the union label of the Allied Printing Trades.

House Bill No. 293, entitled

An Act to correct an error in section one of an act entitled "An Act providing for the creation and regulation of municipal liens and the proceedings for the collection thereof in the several boroughs of this Commonwealth" as printed in the Pamphlet Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

House Bill No. 384, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the tenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the clerk, deputy clerk, court clerks and employes in the office of clerk of the court of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties having a population of one million four hundred thousand or over.

House Bill No. 477, entitled

An Act to enable Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations and Corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth and validating certain titles.

House Bill No. 608, entitled

An Act authorizing Harry C. Swift of Everett Bedford County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Bedford County.

House Bill No. 657, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of writ servers and process servers in the office of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

House Bill No. 799, entitled

An Act to regulate the salaries of criers and tipstaves in the courts of common pleas oyer and terminer and general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' courts in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants.

House Bill No. 852, entitled

An Act authorizing the Somerset Contracting Company a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal office in the Borough of Somerset county of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. DAIX from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 741, entitled

An Act to provide for a stadium in cities of the first class.

Mr. SALUS, from the Committee on Law and Order, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 130, entitled

An Act to transfer from the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace and grant exclusively to the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth and in counties having a population of more than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants to an excise commission to be appointed by the judges of the courts of common pleas the power to grant, renew, extend, transfer and revoke licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof, providing for and directing the granting of licenses by such county commissioners or excise commissioners and the issuance of the same by the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace, limiting the number of new licenses to be granted by the said county commissioners or excise commissioners, fixing the compensation of the said county commissioners for the additional services required of them under this act and the compensation of the excise commissioners, authorizing the said county commissioners or excise commissioners to employ and pay for clerical assistance to keep a record of proceedings and to make rules of procedure to enable them to carry out the provisions hereof and directing mercantile appraisers and constables to make their returns regarding liquor licenses to said county commissioners or excise commissioners instead of to the courts of quarter sessions of the peace.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported as committed Senate Bill No. 725, entitled

An Act requiring cities of the second class to give an increase of at least one hundred and fifty dollars per year to all employes now drawing a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum or less, and providing a method to enforce the provisions of this act.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Corporations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 728, entitled

An Act conferring upon certain corporations the right to take and appropriate lands and waters for the erection of dams and reservoirs and the transportation of water for irrigating farm lands.

Mr. SEMMENS, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 767, entitled

An Act defining consolidation of schools; providing for the establishment and regulation of consolidated schools; and providing for State aid for the transportation of pupils to and from consolidated schools.

Mr. CROW, from the Committee on Corporations, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 551, (House Bill No. 262), entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporations and regulation of natural gas companies," approved the 29th day of May, 1885, providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL (by request of Mr. Beidleman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 784, entitled

An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to appoint one clerk who shall be an expert stenographer and four stenographers; and fixing their salaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 785, entitled

An Act relating to bridges in townships of the second class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. SALUS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 786, entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act defining public service companies; and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; pre-

scribing, defining and limiting their powers, and regulating their incorporation, and to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State or municipal corporation concerned and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the Commission, its officers, counsel and employes; prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such Commission, and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the courts of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases; and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the Commission, and to restrain such orders, subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said Commission; making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains," by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission; and sections one and two of the act approved the fourth day of June, 1883, entitled "An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution relative to railroads and canals;" and an act entitled "To provide the maximum car service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars, and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars," approved the twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the provisos of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," requiring street railway corporations whose facilities cross or are adjacent to the facilities of other street railway corporations or of street railway lines owned, leased or operated by municipal corporations, under certain circumstances, to establish transfer points and switch or other connections at points of crossing or adjacency and through routes and service and joint rates for the conveyance of passengers over two or more lines connected at transfer points; giving the Public Service Commission jurisdiction in the premises; and prescribing the conditions upon which the Commission shall have jurisdiction to regulate the joint facilities, services or rates of a street railway corporation and a street railway line operated by a municipal corporation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 787, entitled

An Act providing for the appointment of a commission to ascertain the advisability or feasibility of constructing a bridge or tunnel over or under the Delaware river connecting this Commonwealth with the State of New Jersey; defining the powers and duties of said commission; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 788, entitled

An Act regulating the recovery of personal property leased or sold under a conditional sale and the collection of balances arising from such lease or sale.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 789, entitled

An Act validating divorces granted on the ground of the hopeless insanity of the respondent, under the provisions of an act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to amend section eight of the act approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled 'An Act to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes,' so as to extend its provisions to the husband or wife of a lunatic or non compos mentis, and to further regulate the procedure in action for divorce."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CROFT (by request) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 790, entitled

An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of an animal rescue league in and for any city, borough or township within this Commonwealth; prohibiting any city, borough or township in and for which an animal rescue league is incorporated from collecting and disposing of lost and stray animals and animals running at large; and authorizing any such city, borough or township to make appropriations to the animal rescue league in and for the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 791, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the County of Montgomery.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 792, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the several counties of this Commonwealth to locate, lay out, open, construct and maintain public bridges whether wholly or partly within any city, borough or township therein, across any river or stream dividing or separating any part of said county from any other part thereof, together with the necessary bridge approaches, viaduct or other approaches, to conveniently connect the same with existing streets or public roads in such cities, boroughs or townships; authorizing the cities and boroughs wherein such bridges are located, to share in the cost thereof and to provide approaches therefor; authorizing the taking and appropriation of property and rights of property, public or private, for such purposes; providing a method for making compensation for property taken, injured or destroyed thereby; authorizing the several counties to enter upon and over public streets or roads in cities, boroughs or townships for said purposes; authorizing the several counties to appropriate money, levy taxes and incur indebtedness therefor; and authorizing the several counties to charge and collect tolls and rentals for the concurrent use of such bridges and approaches by street railway, telegraph, telephone or other corporations or persons making use thereof other than for ordinary foot or vehicle traffic and to enter into contracts for such use.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. WASBERS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 793, entitled

An Act entending to the County of York the provisions of an act, entitled "An Act granting the courts of this Commonwealth the power to appoint viewers to view certain streets and alleys in this Commonwealth," approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, and repealing so much of the proviso to the third section of said act of the County of York.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 794, entitled

An Act authorizing the State Librarian to edit a revised edition of "The Report of the Commission to locate the Sites of the Frontier Forts of Pennsylvania," and providing for the printing, binding and distribution thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Printing.

Mr. SEMMENS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 795, entitled

An Act making it a misdemeanor for any person to deface, mutilate or destroy any sign board or sign post, or any markings, directions or lettering thereon, placed by the

public authorities upon any state, county or township road, or upon any other street or public highway, and prescribing the punishment for violation thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 796, entitled

An Act validating all acts done, all contracts and expenditures made by virtue, and all obligations for money borrowed, issued under the provisions of an act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and two), entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, and not more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants, to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of male children under the jurisdiction of the juvenile courts, and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishments, maintenance and management thereof," and the amendments thereof and supplements thereto, and making such acts, contracts and obligations as valid and effective as if the said act had applied to each and every county within this Commonwealth and was constitutional and valid; vesting title to any and all property purchased or condemned by any county for said schools under said act in the county which paid fer the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McNICHOL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 797, entitled

An Act to ascertain and fix the fees to be received by the several clerks of the courts of oyer and terminer, general jail delivery, and quarter sessions of the peace of this Commonwealth in counties having a population of over one million five hundred thousand.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 798, entitled

A Joint Resolution creating a commission to prepare for the celebration of the sesquicentennial of the Declaration of Independence in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. LEIBY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 799, entitled

An Act to amend section three of an act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to classify the fish in the waters within this Commonwealth; declaring which are game fish, which are food fish, and which are bait fish, and to regulate the catching and sale and encourage the propagtion of the same, to protect the waters within this Commonwealth from unfair, improper, wasteful, and destructive fishing, and to protect fish from being destroyed or injured by destructive means; to provide for the appointment of fishwardens, and to declare their official powers and duties; to encourage and regulate the propogation of fish within this Commonwealth, and regulate the free distribution of the same by the Department of Fisheries, in the waters within the same; to define powers and duties of the Department of Fisheries; to regulate the sale and shipment of fish artificially propagated for profit; to forbid the sale of unlawful devices for catching fish; and to provide penalties and punishments for the violation of the provisions of this act, and providing how and by whom the costs shall be paid."

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 800, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Juniata and Perry.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 801, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Anthracite Coal Region of Pennsylvania at Fountain Springs, near Ashland.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. W. W. SMITH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 802, enttiled

An Act regulating the time for advertising for and receiving proposals for furnishing paper, cardboard, cuts, plates and other supplies for the use of the Commonwealth for executing the Public Printing, and the time contracts for furnishing such supplies shall run.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Printing.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 803, entitled

An Act to amend sections seven and forty-one of an act approved the seventh day of February Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding, to carry out the provisions of section twelve, article three of the Constitution, in relation to the public printing and binding, and the supply of paper and other materials therefor."

Which was committed to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. EYRE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 804, entitled

An Act providing for the appraisement, settlement and payment of damages to property caused or occasioned in connection with the work of the State Highway Department in the construction, improvement and repair of State Highways and State-aid Highways, and making on appropriation therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 805, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine, section four of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; authorizing the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the improvement of the highways of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 806, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved May 3, 1909, entitled "An Act for the safety of persons from fire or panic in certain buildings, not in cities of the first and second classes, by providing proper exits, fire escapes, fire extinguishers, and other preventives of fires; by vesting jurisdiction for the enforcement of this act in the Department of Labor and Industry; and by providing proper penalties for any violation of the same."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. JENKINS read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 807, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Florence Crittenton Home, located at one hundred and thirty-nine Queen Street, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 808, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the assistant chief engineer in the Department of Public Grounds and Buildings.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. VARE (by request of the Legislative Committee of the City Councils of Philadelphia) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 809, entitled

An Act to provide for the regulation of rag shops, second hand paper shops and junk shops, in cities of the first class, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Also (by request of the Legislative Committee of the City Councils of Philadelphia) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 810, entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to permit of the relocation of certain portions of the track of street passenger railway companies, with the consent of the local authorities," approved the ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 784, entitled

An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to appoint one clerk who shall be an expert stenographer and four stenographers; and fixing their salaries.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate Bill No. 173, as follows:

An Act to repeal so much of an act entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions" approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen Pamphlet Laws Six Hundred Forty-four as forbids the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign born person residing upon and operating a farm within the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of the Act of Assembly approved the first day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen Pamphlet Laws Six Hundred Forty-four entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership or possession of dogs by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions" as makes it unlawful for any unnaturalized foreign born person residing upon and operating a farm within this Commonwealth to either own or be in possession of or have under his or her control a dog of any kind be and the same is hereby repealed

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—17.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Daix,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	Nason,	Snyder, C. A.,	
Eyre,	Salus,	Sproul,	

NAYS—20.

Buckman,	Hindman,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,
Craig,	Homsher,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Graff, J. F.,	Jones,	McKee,	Stewart,
Hackett,	Leiby,	Phipps,	Warner,
Haldeman,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the negatives.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 41, as follows:

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and the amendments thereto

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all appraisements of real and personal estate of intestates heretofore made and approved by the decree of the Orphans' Court in pursuance of the act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates" approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and its amendments are hereby declared valid and effectual to vest in the husband or wife the title of such intestates in the real estate of personal property so appraised and approved by decree of the Orphans' Court Provided however That this act shall not affect any litigation now pending in any court of this Commonwealth instituted under and by virtue of the act as amended

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—39.

Buckman,	Hindman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Daix,	Leiby,	Salus,	Warner,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Eyre,	Martin,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Haldeman,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 55, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 172, entitled

An Act relative to the appointment of police for manufacturing corporations or industrial establishments in the townships of the Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—17.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Daix,	Homsher,	Miller,	Vare,
DeWitt,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Warner,
Endsley,	Martin,	Schantz,	
Eyre,	McConnell,		

NAYS—23.

Buckman,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Stewart,
Burke,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Washers,
Craig,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Weaver,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Haldeman,	Phipps,	Snyder, P. W.,	Beidleman,
Hindman,	Salus,	Sproul,	Pres. pro tem.

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the negative.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 334, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education; and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February twenty-third, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures;" and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Stewart,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Vare,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Warner,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Washers,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Whitten,
Daix,	Leiby,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, W. W.,	
Eyre,	McConnell,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 335, entitled

An Act to amend section 2034 of Article XX of an act entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," approved the 18th day of May, 1911, by authorizing and empowering the State Board of Education to make purchases and sales of real estate for Normal Schools purchased by the State.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Washers,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. ENDSLEY. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 619, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section sixteen of the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," providing for the payment by the several counties of damages occasioned by the construction, reconstruction and improvement of State Highways.

be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 662, as follows:

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That every closed package containing apples grown in the State of Pennsylvania which is sold offered or consigned for sale packed for sale or shipped for sale shall bear upon the outside of one end in plain

letters or figures or both the name and address of the person by whose authority the apples were packed the true name of the variety therein contained and the minimum size or numerical count of the fruit in the package provided that packages which cannot readily be marked on on an exposed end shall be similarly marked in a conspicuous place If the true name of the variety is not known to the packer or the person by whose authority the apples are packed or branded then such variety shall be designated as "unknown" Every package of apples which is repacked shall bear the name and address of the person by whose authority it is repacked in addition to the other marks prescribed by this act The letters and figures used in marking closed packages of apples under the provisions of this act shall be of a size not less than thirty-six point Gothic

Section 2 The marks prescribed by this act may be accompanied by any additional marks which are in accordance with the facts and which are not inconsistent with or do not in any way obscure the marks required by this act Apples packed and branded in accordance with the United States Apple Grading Law approved August third one thousand nine hundred and twelve shall be exempt from the provisions of this act

Section 3 All apples packed within the meaning of this act shall be so packed that the face or exposed surface shall fairly represent the average of the apples in the package And it shall be considered a fair representation if the face or exposed serface does not excel the average of the apples in the package by more than fifteen per centum in the matter of size and freedom from defects

Section 4 The minimum size of the fruit in all grades shall be determined by taking the transverse diameter of the smallest fruit in the package Minimum sizes shall be stated in variations of one-quarter of an inch as two inches two and one-quarter inches two and three-quarter inches three inches three and one-quarter inches and so on in accordance with the facts Minimum sizes may be designated by either figures or words and the word "minimum" may be designated by the use of the abbreviation "min" A tolerance of five per centum in the matter of size shall be allowed

Section 5 It shall be unlawful for any person to pack for sale ship for sale offer or consign for sale have in possession intended for sale or sell in closed packages any apples grown in this State (a) which are not packed and marked in accordance with the provisions of this act and the regulations made hercunder (b) or which bear any false statement design or device regarding such apples within the meaning of this act

Section 6 Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars for the first offense and not more than one hundred dollars for each subsequent offense No person shall be prosecuted under this act who can establish by satisfactory evidence that no part of the packing or branding of the apples concerned was done by him or under his authority and that he had no knowledge that they were not packed in accordance with said provisions All penalties costs and fines collected under this act shall be paid to the Secretary of Agriculture or his agent and by him shall be paid into the State Treasury for the use of the Commonwealth

Section 7 The provisions of this act shall not apply to apples in closed packages which are held stored or shipped to storage within the State until same are packed for sale offered or consigned for sale or shipped for sale

Section 8 The word "person" as used herein shall be construed to include individuals corporations partnerships and associations The act omission or failure of any official or employe of any person when such official or employe is acting within the scope of his employment or office shall in every case be deemed also the act omission or failure of the person as well as of the official or employe The words "closed package" shall mean a box barrel or other package that the contents of which can not be easily inspected when such package is closed.

Section 9 The enforcement of this act shall be vested in the State Department of Agriculture and its officers employes and agents are authorized to enter upon the premises of any person within this State for the purpose of purchasing packages of apples and securing evidence of violation of this act and the said Department of Agriculture is hereby authorized to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for enforcing its provisions

Section 10 This act shall take effect September first one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 11 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—28.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	Patton,	Vare,
Beales,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jones,	Semmens,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Crow,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Daix,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Endsley,	McNichol,	Sproul,	
Eyre,	Miller,		

NAYS—8.

Buckman,	Hackett,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Nason,	Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 667, entitled

An Act requiring all counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 696, as follows:

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved April fourth one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled "An Act creating in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices boards bureaus departments and divisions thereof prescribing the powers and duties of said board and regulating appeals from the decision thereof" by providing that where said board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only the president of the board in case of a tie vote shall be entitled to a deciding vote

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the second section of an act approved April fourth one thousand nine hundred and seven (Pamphlet Laws fifty-eight) entitled "An Act creating in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million a board to fix and determine the number compensation of employes in all county offices boards bureaus departments and divisions thereof prescribing the powers and duties of said board and regulating appeals from the decision thereof" which reads as follows namely

"Section 2 The said board shall meet from time to time when required by any county officer president or other executive head of any separate board or division whatsoever the number or compensation of whose employe is sought to be fixed and determined and shall forthwith consider and fix and determine the same in manner as they may deem best for the public service and such county officer president or executive head shall sit as a member of said board and be entitled to vote so long as the matter affecting his office is under consideration and no longer and a decision of the majority shall govern A full minute of all meetings of said board shall be entered in a book kept for that purpose be and the same is hereby amended so that the said section shall read as follows to wit

Section 2 The said board shall meet from time to time when required by any county officer president or other executive head of any separate board or division whatsoever the number or compensation of whose employes is sought to be fixed and determined and shall forthwith consider and fix and determine the same in manner as they may deem best

for the public service and such county officer president or executive head shall sit as a member of said board and be entitled to vote so long as the matter affecting his office is under consideration and no longer and a decision of the majority shall govern When the matter being considered by the board relates to the office of the county controller or county commissioners or whenever the board as constituted by this act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only the president or chairman of the board shall in case of a tie vote be entitled to an additional deciding vote

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution. and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—46.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Homsher,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 700, entitled

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a Committee of the Department of Labor and Industry and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—37.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Sproul,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	Miller,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Vare,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Warner,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Jones,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Crow,	Lynch,	Smith, W. W.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Martin,	Snyder, C. A.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—3.

Leiby,	Salus,	Smith, R. E.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 749, entitled

An Act amending section three of an act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment; by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof' approved the twenty-fifth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen; by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days" by providing that the restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions, hotels and boarding houses.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—35.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	Leiby,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Eyre,	Lynch,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Graff, W. P.,	Martin,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hackett,	McConnell,	Stewart,
Craig,	Haldeman,	McNichol,	Vare,
Croft,	Hindman,	Miller,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Homsher,	Patton,	Warner,
Daix,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—4.

Burke,	McKee,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 751, entitled

An Act relating to motion-picture films reels or stereopticon views or slides providing a system of examination approval and regulation thereof and of the banners posters and other like advertising matter used in connection therewith creating in the Auditor General's Department a Commissioner of Amusements and providing penalties for the violations of this act

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, for the information of the Senate I would like the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, to explain what place this bill has in the Auditor Generals Department? I thought that was the place for auditing the accounts of the State.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Schuylkill, Mr. Snyder, permit himself to be interrogated?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, at this time looking at the Senate and the condition of the vote, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present, and I will explain to the Senator later on.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 53, entitled

An Act authorizing trustees guardians and other fiduciaries to sell assign alter modify or supplement coal mining leases with the approval of the court having jurisdiction of their accounts

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act any trustee guardian or other fiduciary having an interest in any coal mining lease may sell assign and with the consent of the lessees thereof alter modify or supplement coal mining lease with the approval of the court having jurisdiction of the accounts of such fiduciary

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I move to amend Section 1, page 1, line 7, by inserting after the word "supplement" the word "such".

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act authorizing trustees guardians and other fiduciaries to sell assign alter modify or supplement coal mining leases with the approval of the court having jurisdiction of their accounts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 325, as follows:

An Act providing for the sale distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the passage of this act any or every duly incorporated medical pharmacological or veterinary school or college within the Commonwealth shall have the right for the promotion of biological and medical science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery and for the welfare of humanity to obtain from the public pounds any or all animals which shall remain unclaimed by the owners in such pounds after the time provided by law for the redemption of the same by their owners by paying to the master of the pound or such other official as may be duly authorized by law to receive such moneys the fee or sum of ($1.00) one dollar for each and every animal so obtained provided that such purchaser shall provide for the transportation of said animal or animals from the public pounds in such manner that the said transportation shall not constitute a public nuisance

Section 2 All public officers agents servants and all officers agents and servants of any and every county township borough district and other municipality and all officers agents and servants of any society having charge or control over the public pounds of the Commonwealth shall upon payment of the fees aforesaid and without any further fees or reward deliver such living animal or animals and permit and allow such any or every duly incorporated pharmacological or veterinary school or college within the Commonwealth which may comply with the provisions of this act to take and remove any or all such living animal or animals to be used within this State for the promotion of biological and medical science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery and for the welfare of humanity Provided That neither the Commonwealth nor any county or municipality or any officer agent or servant thereof shall be at any expense by reason of the delivery or distribution of such animals but all expenses thereof shall be paid by those receiving the animals

Section 3 No incorporated scientific body school or college shall be entitled to obtain animals from any public pound in pursuance of the provisions of this act until a bond shall have been given to the Commonwealth by it or in its behalf to be approved by the prothonotary of the court of common pleas in and for the county in which such pound is located to be filed in the office of the said prothonotary which bond shall be in the penal sum of ($1,000) one thousand dollars conditioned that all animals which the said scientific body school or college shall obtain from such pound in pursuance of the provisions thereof shall be used as provided in section one hereof only under the supervision of a duly appointed and responsible officer professor assistant professor or instructor of such scientific body school or college and only in the laboratory hospital or other building of such scientific body school or college

Section 4 That any person having duties enjoined upon him or her by the provisions of this act who shall neglect refuse or omit to perform the same as hereby required shall on conviction thereof be liable to a fine of not less than ($25) twenty-five dollars and not more than ($100) one hundred dollars for each offense

Section 5 That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 375, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eleven hundred and thirty of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1130 The minimum salary of each assistant county superintendent shall be twelve hundred dollars ($1,200.00) per year which shall be paid out of the State appropriation for public schools in such payments and manner as the county superintendents are paid The salaries of additional assistant county superintendents whose appointments may be authorized as herein provided shall be fixed by the convention of school directors which provides for their appointment and together with any additional salary granted by said convention to any required assistant county superintendent shall be paid from the school appropriation apportioned among the several school districts under the supervision of the county superintendent before the same is distributed The salaries of assistant county superintendents shall be paid quarterly" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1130 The minimum salary of each assistant county superintendent shall be eighteen hundred dollars ($1,800.00) per year which shall be paid out of the State appropriation for public schools in such payments and manner as the county superintendents are paid The salaries of additional assistant county superintendents whose appointments may be authorized as herein provided shall be fixed by the convention of school directors which provides for their appointment and together with any additional salary granted by said convention to any required assistant county superintendent shall be paid from the school appropriation apportioned among the several school districts under the supervision of the county superintendent before the same is distributed The salaries of assistant county superintendents shall be paid monthly

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 4, by inserting before the word "method" the words "and the".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion?

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be, inconsistent therewith."

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend the title on page 1, line 6, by inserting before the word "provisions" the word "the"; also in line 9, by inserting before the word "method" the words "and the".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 376, entitled

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered; and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same; method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eleven hundred and twenty-one of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing the penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" as amended by an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-three) entitled "An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1121 The annual salary of each county superintendent elected or appointed under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the State from appropriation made for this purpose or from appropriations for the public schools and shall be fifteen dollars ($15.00) for each of the first one hundred schools within his jurisdiction at the time of his election and five dollars ($5.00) for each such additional school Provided That the salary of a county superintendent shall not be less than fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00) per annum or more than two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) per annum but a convention of school directors assembled for the purpose of electing a county superintendent may vote him a salary greater than the amount he would receive by this act such increase to be paid in all cases out of the school fund apportioned to the school districts over which such county superintendent has supervision before the same is distributed The salaries of county superintendents shall be paid monthly" is hereby amended to read as follows

"Section 1121 The annual salary of each county superintendent elected or appointed under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the State from appropriations made for this purpose or from the appropriations for the public schools and shall be fifteen dollars ($15.00) for each of the first one hundred schools within his jurisdiction at the time of his election and ten dollars ($10.00) for each such additional school Provided that the salary of a county superintendent shall not be less than two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) per annum nor more than twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500.00) per annum but a convention of school directors assembled for the purpose of electing a county superintendent may vote him a salary greater than the amount he would receive by this act such increase to be paid in all cases out of the school fund apportioned to the school districts over which such county superintendent has supervision before the same is distributed The salaries of county superintendents shall be paid monthly

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 3, by striking out after the word "prescribing" the word "the"; also in line 5, by inserting before the word "method" the words "and the"; also in line 11, by striking out the word "and"; also in line 13, by striking out the word "and"; also in line 25, by inserting before the word "appropriations" the word "the"; also page 3, line 11, by inserting before the word "amended" the word "further".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title?
Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, page 1, line 9, by inserting before the word "method" the words "and the".
Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 555 (House Bill No. 472), entitled

An Act to amend section twenty-one of an act entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to and regulating the effect of contracts for work and labor to be done and labor or materials to be furnished to any building bridge wharf dock pier bulkhead vault subway tramway toll-road conduit tunnel mine coal-breaker flume pump screen tank derrick pipe line aqueduct reservoir viaduct telegraph telephone railway or railroad line canal millrace works for supplying water heat light power cold air or any other substance furnished to the public well for the production of gas oil or other volatile or mineral substance or other structure or improvement of whatsoever kind or character the same may be providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred one so as to change and define the manner of service upon the owner of notice that claim has been filed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 555 (House Bill No. 472), the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 598 (House Bill No. 364), entitled

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of the stock of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind or of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures not in the ordinary course of business; providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of every person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or of any goods or merchandise of any kind and fixtures in bulk for cash or on credit before paying to the vendor or his agent or representative or delivering to the vendor or his agent any part of the purchase price thereof or any promissory note or other evidence therefor to demand of and receive from such vendor or agent or if the vendor or agent be a corporation then from the President Vice-President Secretary or Managing Agent of such corporation a written statement sworn to substantially as hereinafter provided of the names and addresses of all the creditors of the said vendor to whom said vendor may be indebted together with the amount of the indebtedness due or owing and to become due or owing by said vendor to each of such creditors And it shall be the duty of said vendor or agent to furnish said statement which shall be verified by an oath to the following effect

State of Pennsylvania ss
County of
Before me personally appeared (vendor or agent as the case may be) who being by me first duly sworn upon his oath does depose and say that the foregoing statement contains the names of all the creditors of (the name of the vendor) together with their addresses and that the amount set opposite each of said respective names is the amount now due and owing and which shall become due and owing by (vendor) to such creditors and that there are no creditors holding claims due or which shall become due for or on account of goods wares or merchandise purchased upon credit or on account of money borrowed to carry on the business of which said goods are a part other than as set forth in said statement and in this affidavit are within the personal knowledge of affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of
(Title of officer taking oath)

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 3, by striking out after the word "or" where it appears the first time the word "of".

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 Thereupon it shall be the duty of the person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or of goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures in bulk at least ten (10) days before the completion of said purchase or the payment therefor to notify personally or by registered mail each of said creditors of the said vendor of said proposed sale the price to be paid therefor the terms and conditions thereof and a copy of the statement of creditors provided for in Section 1 of this Act

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 3, line 12, by striking out after the word "or" where it appears the second time the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "any".

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 Whenever any person shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or of goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures in bulk for cash or on credit and shall pay any part of the purchase price or execute or deliver to the vendor thereof or to his order or to any person for his use any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness for said purchase price or any part thereof without first having demanded and received from said vendor or from his agent the statement provided for in Section 1 of this Act and verified as there provided and without paying or seeing to it that the purchase money of said property is applied to the payment of the bona fide claims of the creditors of the vendor pro rata as shown upon such verified statement and without first having sent the notices of said sale and said statement of creditors as provided for in Section 2 of this Act then such sale or transfer shall be fraudulent and void Provided however that no proceeding at law or equity shall be brought against the purchaser to invalidate any such sale after the expiration of ninety days from the consummation thereof

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 3, line 23, by striking out after the word "or" where it appears the first time the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "any".

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth and sixth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 Any vendor of any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk or any person who is acting for or on behalf of any vendor who shall knowingly or wilfully make or deliver or cause to be made or delivered a statement as provided for in Section 1 of this Act which shall not include the names of all of the creditors of such vendor with the correct amount due and to become due to each of them or which shall contain any false or untrue statement shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding Five Thousand ($5,000) Dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding six months or both or either at the discretion of the court

Section 5 A sale and transfer or attempted sale and transfer in bulk in contemplation of this act shall be deemed to be any sale or transfer in bulk of the whole or a large part of any stock of goods wares or merchandise or of goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures otherwise than in the ordinary course of trade and in the regular and usual prosecution of the seller's business Provided however that if such vendor produces and delivers a written waiver of the provisions of this Act from his creditors as shown by such verified statements then in that case the provisions of this Act shall not apply

Section 6 Nothing contained in this act shall apply to sales made under any order of a Court or to any sales made by executors assignees for the benefit of creditors administrators receivers or any public officer in his official capacity or by any officer of a Court

The seventh section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 7 Provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent or hinder the vendor from demanding and receiving security from any purchaser or vendor to insure faithful performance of the contract prior to the furnishing the list of creditors as hereinabove set forth

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 7, page 5, line 18, by striking out the word "vendor" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "vendee".

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The eighth and ninth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 8 Any person or persons firm or corporation or any person or persons acting for or on behalf of any firm or corporation who shall procure from any seller or vendor a list of creditors as hereinabove set forth through fraud misrepresentation or deceit for the purpose of injuring said seller or vendor in his business and not for the purpose of securing the creditors of such seller or vendor as contemplated by this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars

Section 9 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of the stock of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind or of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures not in the ordinary course of business; providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. HALDEMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 614, on second reading, entitled

An Act concerning vocational education and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the provisions of the act of Congress approved February twenty-third, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures," and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consid-sideration of Senate Bill No. 615, entitled

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight, entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth."

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the fourth section of an act entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws three) which reads as follows

"Section 4 The fees of the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall be as follows to wit

"Venire for swearing grand jury to be paid by the county ninety cents

"Filing and entering if necessary all papers relating to one prosecution where true bills are found including arraignment of defendant entering pleas and stationery one dollar and fifty cents

"The same services where bill is returned ignoramus including discharge by proclamation seventy-five cents

"Calling recognizance in court each person twenty-five cents

"Taking recognizance in court each person twenty-five cents

"Respiting or discharging forfeited recognizance and motion therefor fifteen cents

"Every motion and rule twenty-five cents

"Continuance ten cents

"Entering retraction of pleas or nolle prosequi twenty cents

"Entering submission and judgment sixty cents

"Swearing jury witnesses constable and entering verdict and judgment sixty cents

"All services in cases of surety of the peace except subpoenas or attachments or for taking recognizances sixty cents

"Process on indictment docket entry and return seventy-five cents

"Copy of rule or order of court with certificate and seal forty cents

"Filing petition and order thereon twenty cents

"Filing petition for a view or re-view of a road or bridge and order under seal ninety cents

"Recording return of viewers and confirmation for every eight words one cent

"Order to open road under seal one dollar and twenty-five cents

"Certificate for pay of road or bridge viewers to be paid by the county each case thirty cents

"Constable's bond twenty-five cents

"Receiving and entering constable's return to be paid by county fifteen cents

"Filing and recording returns of boroughs and township elections each person elected to be paid by the county ten cents

"Issuing subpoena under seal thirty cents

"Each name after the first two cents

"Issuing attachment entering motion therefor and return forty cents

"Copy of record or of any paper filed for every eight words one cent

"Certificate and seal thirty cents

"Every search where no other service is performed to which any fee is attached fifteen cents

"Taxing costs other than the clerk of the sessions twenty-five cents

"Re-taxing parties' bill of costs and making report fifty cents

"Making return to writ of error one dollar

"Entering proceedings of supreme court forty cents

"Entering appeals from justices forty cents

"Certificate for pay of jurors crier and constables paid by the county seventy-five cents

"Issuing notice to defaulting jurors each twenty-five cents

"Issuing fi fa against defaulting jurors fifty cents

"Filing any paper not relating to any suit pending and not hereinbefore provided for fifteen cents

"All proceedings in tavern or eating house licenses except certificate one dollar

"All proceedings on peddler's license one dollar

"Every warrant of seizure and proceedings thereon one dollar

"The fees for services not herein specially provided shall be the same as for similar services" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 The fees of the several clerks of the court of quarter sessions of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

Venire for and swearing grand jury to be paid by the county one dollar

Venire for and swearing petit jury to be paid by the county one dollar

Venire for and swearing special jury to be paid by the county one dollar

Filing and entering if necessary all papers relating to one prosecution where true bills are found including arraignment of defendant entering pleas and stationery one dollar and fifty cents

The same services where bill is returned ignoramus including discharge by proclamation seventy-five cents

Calling recognizance and entry of forfeiture twenty cents

Taking recognizance in court each person twenty-five cents

Respiting or discharging forfeited recognizance and motion therefor fifteen cents

Every motion and rule twenty-five cents

Continuance ten cents

Entering retraction of pleas or nolle prosequi twenty cents

Entering submission and judgment sixty cents

Swearing jury witnesses constable and entering verdict and judgment sixty cents

All services in cases of surety of the peace and desertion two dollars

Process on indictment docket entry and return seventy-five cents

Copy of rule or order of court with certificate and seal forty cents

Filing petition entry and order thereon seventy-five cents

Filing and docketing petition for the appointment of viewers filing report and confirmation five dollars

Recording return of viewers and confirmation for every one hundred words twenty-five cents

Order to open road under seal two dollars

Certificate for pay of road or bridge viewers to be paid by the county each case fifty cents

Constable's bond one dollar

Receiving and entering constable's return to be paid by the county twenty-five cents

Filing and recording returns of borough and township elections each district to be paid by the county three dollars

Issuing subpoena under seal thirty cents

Each name after the first two cents

Issuing attachment entering motion therefor and return one dollar

Copy of record or of any paper filed for every hundred words twenty-five cents

Certificate and seal fifty cents

Every search where no other service is performed to which any fee is attached twenty-five cents

Taxing costs other than the clerk of the sessions twenty-five cents

Re-taxing parties' bill of costs and making report fifty cents

Making return to writ of error one dollar

Entering proceedings of supreme court one dollar

Entering proceedings of superior court one dollar

Entering appeals from justices forty cents

Certificate for pay for jurors each juror to be paid by the county fifty cents

Certificate for pay for constables each constable to be paid by the county fifty cents Issuing notice to defaulting jurors each twenty-five cents

Issuing fi fa against defaulting jurors fifty cents

Filing any paper not relating to any suit pending and not hereinbefore provided for twenty-five cents

All proceedings in tavern or eating house licenses except certificate one dollar

All proceedings on peddler's license one dollar

Every warrant of seizure and proceedings thereon one dollar

Tax bond one dollar

Bail piece one dollar

Bench warrants one dollar

Commitment to county prison fifty cents

Commitment to Eastern State Penitentiary one dollar

Commitment to House of Refuge one dollar

Commitment to Protectory one dollar

Certificate for constable fifty cents

Certificate for school directors fifty cents

Notifying election officers of their election to be paid by the county each fifty cents
Certificate for sheriff to draw grand petit jurors one dollar
Certificate for sheriff to draw special jurors one dollar
Commission on lunacy swearing commission filing and recording et cetera two dollars and fifty cents
Certified copy or record bill of indictment two dollars
Certified copy of docket entries one dollar
Certified copy of docket entries in road cases one dollar
Dog registry one dollar
Discharge on ignored bill fifty cents
Discharge on bail entered fifty cents
Discharge prisoner from dock twenty-five cents
Exemplification of the record homicide cases four dollars
Exemplification of the record general cases two dollars
Filing and entering reasons for new trial fifty cents
Filing and entering motions in arrest of judgment fifty cents
Entering a nolle prosequi one dollar
Seal in every case twenty-five cents
Filing and entering inquisitions to be paid by the county fifty cents
Filing and entering election expenses statements to be paid by the county fifty cents
Entering any order of the court minimum fifty cents
Filing and docketing any petition not herein provided for two dollars and fifty cents
Filing and docketing appeal from award or road jury one dollar and twenty-five cents
Certificate for road damages fifty cents
Entering rule to take depositions fifty cents
Services of each minute clerk during sessions of the court to be paid by the county per day four dollars
Report to Board of Public Charities five dollars
Precipe for argument twenty-five cents
Filing and entering opinion and docket entries one dollar
Filing and entering financial statements of surety companies one dollar
Filing and entering auditor's report one dollar
Placing case on argument list twenty-five cents
Filing and entering appointments made by the court to be paid by the county two dollars and fifty cents
Certificates of appointment to be paid by the county fifty cents
Filing and entering appeal from report of auditors two dollars and fifty cents
Reporting election of supervisors to the State Highway Department to be paid by the county each fifty cents
Preparing files and records for cases on trial or argument list to be paid by the county each case fifty cents
Filing and entering notes of testimony fifty cents
Filing and entering plan of topographic survey one dollar
Filing Commonwealth bill of costs twenty-five cents
Filing and entering prison report one dollar
Filing and entering poor directors' report one dollar
Receiving and paying out moneys in desertion and non-support cases to be paid by the county per case per annum one dollar
Filing and docketing juvenile cases per case two dollars and fifty cents
Filing entering and docketing petitions for discharge from reformatories per case to be paid by the county two dollars and fifty cents
The fees for services not herein specially provided shall be the same as for similar services

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SASSAMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 12, by inserting before the word "swearing" the word "and"; also page 2, line 7, by striking out the words "Calling recognizance in court each person twenty-five cents" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Calling recognizance and entry of forfeiture twenty cents"; also page 3, line 10, by striking out the word "boroughs" and inserting in lieu there of the word "borough"; also page 7, line 13, by striking out the word "Eastern"; also page 8, line 22, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "of".

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 The fifth section of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 All services performed in any one prosecution where a bill is found except for subpoenas attachments for witnesses or process on indictment four dollars
"When bill is returned ignoramus one dollar and twenty-five cents
"For subpoenas attachments seal and certificate and capias and other services not herein provided for same fees as are allowed to clerk of quarter sessions" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 All services performed in any one prosecution where a bill is found except for subpoenas attachments for witnesses or process on indictment four dollars
When bill is returned ignoramus two dollars
For subpoenas attachments seal and certificate and capias and other services not herein provided for same fees as are allowed to clerk of quarter sessions

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 617, entitled

An Act providing for and regulating the maintenance and government of a county home in each county of the State for indigent orphans and for delinquent incorrigible indigent dependent and neglected children under sixteen years of age and providing for their commitment thereto

be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 648 (House Bill No. 905), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 655, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article three Section six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteen article thereof
That section six of article three be amended so as to read as follows

Section 6 No law shall be revived amended or the provisions thereof extended or conferred by reference to its title only but so much thereof as is revived amended extended or conferred shall be re-enacted and published at length and the subect of the amendment or supplement and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section?
Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out the word "eighteen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighteenth".
Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I second the motion.
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article three section six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 688, as follows:

An Act fixing the compensation of county treasurers in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter the salary of the county treasurer in every county of this Commonwealth containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the State shall be five thousand ($5,000) dollars a year This amount shall be in lieu of fees and commissions now allowed said officers by law

Section 2 This act shall not affect the compensation provided for county treasurers of the several counties for services rendered to such counties

Section 3 This act shall not affect the compensation of any county treasurer elected prior to the enactment hereof during the term for which he shall have been elected

Section 4 The salary provided by this act shall be paid the county treasurers entitled thereto in the same manner as all other salaries now provided for State employes are paid

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 729, as follows:

An Act to provide for an additional law judge of the several courts of the Thirty-eighth Judicial District

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in addition to the judges provided for in an act entitled "An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution to provide for the election appointment and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts in cases where such judges are not provided for by existing law" approved the eighteenth day of July one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws six hundred sixty-nine) an additional law judge is hereby authorized and provided for the several courts of the Thirty-eighth Judicial Districts who shall possess the same qualifications which are required by the Constitution and laws for the president judge of said district and who shall hold his office for a like term and by the same tenure and shall have the same power authority and jurisdiction and shall be subject to the same duties restrictions and penalties and shall receive the same compensation provided by law for judges learned in the law as if the said office had been established in the time of and subject to the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court the judges of the Superior Court the judges of the courts of common pleas and the judges of the orphans' courts" approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws one hundred eighty-two)

Section 2 At the next municipal election after the passage of this act the qualified electors of the said Thirty-eighth Judicial District shall elect in the manner prescribed by law for the election of president judge a competent person learned in the law to serve as said additional law judge in said district from the first Monday in January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eighteen for a term of ten years Vacancies in the office hereby created whether caused by death resignation expiration of term or otherwise shall be filled in the same manner as is required by law in case of a similar vacancy in the office of president judge

Section 3 The judge in said district whose commission shall first expire shall be the president judge thereof except where the president judge shall be elected in which case he shall continue to be president judge

Section 4 The Governor is hereby authorized by and with the consent of the Senate to appoint some competent person learned in the law as additional law judge of said Thirty-eighth District until the first Monday in January succeeding the next municipal election

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 729, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.
Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.
The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 742, as follows:

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where any real estate in this Commonwealth heretofore held by or for any corporation or corporations not having the right to own and hold the same has been conveyed to any citizen of the United States or to any corporation authorized by the laws of this Commonwealth to hold the same such citizen or corporation grantee as aforesaid shall hold and may convey title and estate indefeasibly as to any right of escheat in this Commonwealth by reason of such real estate having been held by or for a corporation not authorized to hold the same by the laws of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 91, entitled

An Act protecting against false charges as to collection of transportation money.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 122, entitled

An Act to repeal section three of an act approved June second one thousand eight hundred eighty seven entitled "An Act supplementary to an act approved April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred seventy-four entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' amending the thirty-fourth section thereof extending its provisions to fuel companies providing for their capital stock and regulation and giving them the power of eminent domain"

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 134, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 343, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered. To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 554 (House Bill No. 359), entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered. To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act requiring the several prothonotaries and clerks of the court of quarter sessions to keep certain dockets and to enter therein all matters coming before the respective courts concerning lunatics, weak-minded persons and persons committed to institutions and requiring county commissioners to furnish such dockets at the expense of the county.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act requiring service of notice of all petitions for the appointment of guardians and committees for lunatics and weak-minded persons, notice of confirmation of accounts of such guardians and committees and notice of all audits to be served upon the Attorney General.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act relating to the audit and distribution of estates of lunatics and weak-minded persons.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 600 (House Bill No. 461), entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class; providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered. To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 608 (House Bill No. 300), entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 612 (House Bill No. 847), entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 622, entitled

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the 23d day of April, 1903, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments, and the re-assessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property, and fixing the time for the return thereof," by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of a triennial assessment.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 647 (House Bill No. 855), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 687, entitled

An Act defining how and when borough and township auditors shall audit borough, township and school accounts; providing for the publication of the same in one or more newspapers of the county and providing a penalty.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 690 (House Bill No. 738), entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads improved and maintained by such counties the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 692, entitled

An Act authorizing tenants in common and coparceners of land to pay their proportionate share of the taxes assessed against the land and providing that the sale thereof for unpaid taxes shall not impair or divest the title of those who have paid their respective shares of such taxes

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 704 (House Bill No. 773), entitled

An Act authorizing trustees of the insane or directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 706, entitled

An Act to fix the pay and mileage of witnesses and jurors in actions before magistrates aldermen and justices of the peace

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 708, entitled

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the 29th day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred seventy-four, providing for the incorporation and regulation of telephone companies, defining the rights, powers and privileges of such corporations; conferring upon them the right of eminent domain and regulating the exercise thereof; authorizing and regulating the purchase, acquisition and leasing of the properties, systems and securities of other like corporations, associations and persons engaged in the telephone business; authorizing existing corporations engaged in the telephone business or furnishing telephone service to accept the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 708, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 717, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of sewage disposal plants within the vicinity of intakes of water works or systems of water supply and providing for the issuing of injunctions to prevent violations of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 721 (House Bill No. 734), entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred one, entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out, widen, open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 722 (House Bill No. 735), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners, county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 724, entitled

An Act authorizing the board of public accounts to consider petitions for the return of moneys erroneously or inadvertently paid or covered into the State Treasury and to make such order thereupon as shall seem just and proper providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of such claims and claims heretofore adjusted and making an appropriation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 753, entitled

A Supplement to the act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen(Pamphlet Laws forty-six), entitled "An Act fixing the number and salaries of clerks and other employes in the Auditor General's Department," creating a Bureau of Economy and Efficiency in said Department; fixing the number and salaries of its clerks and employes and prescribing its powers and duties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 756 (House Bill No. 376), entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 761 (House Bill No. 900) entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act, entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 765, entitled

An Act requiring assessors and assistant assessors in boroughs to keep account of days actually employed and make return thereof to county commissioners and fixing their compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 766, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Trevorton, Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields, situate in the Township of Coal, near Shamokin, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, for deficiency in maintenance for the two fiscal years commencing June first, one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 770, entitled

An Act to further amend an act entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of

Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction; and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act; and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction, and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act, and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violations thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," by providing for further instruction prior to examination for licensure; by clarifying sections five (5) and twelve (12).

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 771, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read ta length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 778, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest and service of process and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor; and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 104.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State police force, as amended.

with information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 11.33 o'clock P. M. until Tuesday morning, April 10, 1917, at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, April 9, 1917.

The House met at 9 o'clock P. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Reverend Harry Nelson Bassler of Harrisburg offered the following prayer:

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or that Thou hadst formed the earth and the world even from everlasting to everlasting. Thou art God. Thou turnest men to destruction and seest the return of the children of men for a thousand years and in Thy sight are but as yesterday and as a watch in the night. In Thy presence we assemble before God and ask Thy blessing and Thy benediction to rest upon us. We feel the responsibility of this hour and we would make no mistakes. Do Thou, therefore, guide us in thought and in word and in deed by the light of Thy countenance, so that in all of our deliberations Thy kingdom may come and Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. May we abide with Thee and dwell together in a world without end. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, April 4th, 1917.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, April 4th, 1917, when, on motion of Mr. Edgar R. Smith, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. WALTER. House Bill No. 1343.

An Act repealing an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act defining the rights and liabilities of parties to, and regulating the effect of, contracts for work and labor to be done, and labor and materials furnished, to any building, bridge, wharf, dock, pier, bulkhead, vault, subway, tramway, toll-road, conduit, tunnel, mine, coal-breaker flume, pump, screen, tank, derrick, pipe-line, aqueduct, reservoir, viaduct, telegraph, telephone, railway or railroad line, mill-race, works for supplying water, heat, light, power, cold air, or any other substance furnished to the public, well for the production of gas, oil or other volatile or mineral substance, or other structure or improvement, of whatsoever kind or character the same may be; providing remedies for the recovery of debts due by reason of such contracts, and repealing, consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereton," and the amendments thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1344.

An Act regulating the conduct and prescribing the duties of drivers or operators of automobiles, motor or other vehicles on public highways, who shall injure any person or persons while so driving on said highways, and providing penalties for violations of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. LOHR. House Bill No. 1345.

An act relating to dogs and the protection of livestock and poultry from damage by dogs; providing for the licensing of dogs; regulating the keeping of dogs and authorizing their destruction in certain cases; providing for the protection of licensed dogs and for dogs temporarily imported under permit for show and breeding purposes; prescribing certain privileges for hunting dogs; providing for the assessment and payment of damages to livestock and poultry done by dogs; imposing powers and duties on certain county, city, borough, town, and township officers and employes; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 1346.

An Act to further amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and

employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State Line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving the said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for the purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein; providing for work except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways, and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for the payment of cost of improvement and repairs; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracs are not affected by the provisions of this act," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. LEWIS. House Bill No. 1347.

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act establishing certain public roads as State Highways, and providing for their construction and maintenance at the expense of the Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH. House Bill No. 1348.

An Act to amend sections one, two and nine of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to protect the public health by regulating the manufacture, preparation, handling, storage, sale, transportation, and possession of meat and meat-food products; prescribing the powers and duties of the State Livestock Sanitary Board incidental thereto."

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH. House Bill No. 1349.

An Act defining consolidation of schools; providing for the establishment and regulation of consolidated schools; and providing for State aid for the transportation of pupils to and from consolidated schools.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 1350.

An Act to prevent the wilfully stealing, cutting, mutilating, or otherwise injuring any book, volume, map, chart, magazine, newspaper, painting, engraving, statuary, furniture or furnishings in public libraries, including free libraries, law libraries and all public libraries of any kind whatsoever in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. MARVIN. House Bill No. 1351.

An Act to authorize the Water Supply Commission to build a dike or dikes for the protection of property in the Borough of Lawrenceville, Tioga County; and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. MILNER. House Bill No. 1352.

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act amending section two of an act, entitled "An Act for the relief of wives and children deserted by their husbands and fathers, within this Commonwealth," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, by authorizing and empowering courts to fix the allowance for the support of wives and children, without limitation as to the amount thereof, by empowering courts to issue writs of attachment against the money or property belonging to, or which the husbands and fathers may be entitled to, whether under what is known as spendthrift trusts or otherwise," by empowering courts to issue writs of execution against and property real or personal, belonging to the defendant and writs of attachment execution against the money or property to which defendant may be entitled whether under what is known as a spendthrift trust or otherwise no matter when said trust was created and making same a continuing lien and levy for fifty per centum thereof until the order and costs are paid and abolishing the benefit of the exemption law in such case.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. KENNEDY. House Bill No. 1353.

An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act for the division of townships, upon the application of the owners of twenty-five per centum of the assessed valuation of the real estate thereof, and prescribing the manner of holding an election upon the question of division, and declaring any proceeding for a division under former laws to be no bar to a proceeding under this act."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 1354.

An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen by creating a Department of Workmen's Compensation; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of said Department; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation Districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Department of Workmen's Compensation; the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees in enforcing the said act; fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants; transferring the powers and duties of the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry to the Department of Workmen's Compensation and repealing certain acts.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. BLACK. House Bill No. 1355.

An Act empowering the courts of common pleas to appoint a Divorce Proctor and assistants; defining their duties in connection with divorce proceedings; and fixing their salaries.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. FRETZ. House Bill No. 1356.

An Act providing for the holding of exhibitions by poultry raisers and dealers in poultry products; providing State aid for certain poultry associations and regulating the payment thereof; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. EHRHARDT. House Bill No. 1357.

An Act to amend section five hundred and sixty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 1358.

An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled "An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of their employment; by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof," approved the twenty-fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. McNICHOL. House Bill No. 1359.

An Act to amend an act approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act permitting the Commonwealth to intervene in any proceeding at law or in equity, in which the Commonwealth may have an interest, without giving security," for the purpose of correcting a clerical error.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. SCOTT. House Bill No. 1360.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. VICKERMAN. House Bill No. 1361.

An Act to prevent fraud and deception by regulating the sale or disposition of stocks, stock certificates, bonds, debentures, collateral trust certificates or other securities or instruments, evidencing title to or interest in any property, and of real estate not located in this Commonwealth; regulating the licensing of dealers therein; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Banking in relation thereto; and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. MICHEL. House Bill No. 1362.

An Act making an appropriation to the Attorney General's Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the payment of the debt interest and costs of a judgment obtained against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by John E. Joos a resident of Allegheny County Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. RUDISILL. House Bill No. 1363.

An Act directing the Commissioner of Forestry to prepare, edit and publish an edition of bulletin number eleven of the Department of Forestry, known by the title of Pennsylvania Trees; providing for the printing, binding and distribution of said edition, and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Forestry.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 1364.

An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Health of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the maintenance of tuberculosis Sanatoria and Dispensaries, necessary additions, furnishings, and repairs; for educational work, and other necessary work in curing and preventing tuberculosis.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MEARKLE. House Bill No. 1365.

An Act requiring public adjusters engaged in the adjustment of claims for loss or damage by fire under a policy or policies of insurance upon property in this Commonwealth to be licensed by the Insurance Commissioner defining such public adjuster providing for the payment of a fee for the issuance of a license and prescribing penalties for any violation of the Act.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. ARON. House Bill No. 1366.

An Act to further amend the act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth," by giving officers and employes a right to be heard before dismissal in certain cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

By Mr. FACKLER. House Bill No. 1367.

An Act amending and supplementing section three of an act, entitled "An Act to protect certain domestic and private rights, and prevent abuses in the sale and use of intoxicating drinks, approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and amending and supplementing the whole act as amended by an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and fifty-seven), defining and amplifying the methods of procedure against persons selling intoxicating drinks under certain circumstances and by providing for the liability, prosecution and recovery of judgment against the owners of premises wherein intoxicating drinks are sold, as well as against the vendors thereof and their employes, and by making said judgment liens against the real estate of such owners, and by providing that a married woman shall have the same rights in such cases to bring suit as a feme sole, and by providing for payment of damages to minors and by making guardians or conservators of a minor or other person under guardianship liable instead of such ward, or the property of said ward, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. THEODORE MORGAN. House Bill No. 1368.

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the State Hospital for Injured Persons, at Mercer, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 1374.

An Act making an appropriation to pay guardsmen, non-commissioned officers, soldiers and sailors in the service of the United States, and their dependents.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 1375.

An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of county commissioners in the counties of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 1376.

An Act relating to the election of county assessors, and the appointment of assistant assessors; their terms of office; their duties; their salaries; county rates and levies; duties of county commissioners in connection with county assessors; penalties for failure of county assessors and assistant assessor to perform their duties; powers and duties of election officers, and penalties for their non-compliance; and penalties for any elector wilfully making any false affidavit or statement.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 1377.

An Act to amend sections three, ten, fourteen, seventeen and nineteen of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties, and their reimbursement by the State, of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make, and to alter, amend, and revoke rules: and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation," and section four of the aforesaid act, as amended by an act approved the eighteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act amending section four of an act, approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled 'An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions, and of certain party officers, including State committeemen, a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States; and the payment by the several counties; and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make, aud to alter, amend, and revoke, rules; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and for the punishment of certain offenses provided for herein; and repealing inconsistent legislation,'" by changing the names of primaries, the time of holding the same, the time of certifying the list of offices to be filled, the number of official ballots required, the time of computing the votes, the time of deciding the votes, and the time permitted for withdrawal of candidates.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 1378.

An Act to amend Sections 13 and 17 of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, A. D. 1913, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of

cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party of political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," by changing the time of deciding the tie votes, and the time permitted for the withdrawal of candidates.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills number and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 243 (House Bill No. 1369)

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing method of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senate Bill No. 683 (House Bill No. 1370)

An Act regulating public stables in which horses afflicted with any contagious disease are kept prohibiting the owners from permitting horses afflicted with any contagious disease drinking from public watering troughs and providing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 315 (House Bill No. 1371)

An Act amending sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, ten, eleven, twelve and fifteen of an act, repealing section fourteen of said act, and supplementing said act, approved the third day of June, 1911 (Pamphlet Laws 658), entitled "An Act establishing the office of State Fire Marshal; defining his powers and duties; providing for his compensation, and the maintenance of his office; giving courts the power to punish witnesses for contempt of his authority, and to review his orders; and making it the duty of officers of public instruction and persons in charge of public or private schools to instruct children as to the dangers of fire and the prevention of fire-waste;" changing the office of State Fire Marshal to the Department of Fire Prevention; providing for the appointment of a State Fire Commissioner and other officers and employes under the Department of Fire Prevention, and fixing their salaries, fees, powers and duties; authorizing the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations concerning explosives inflammable and combustible products and substances; authorizing the investigation of fires and the making of certain reports in connection therewith, and conferring on the State Fire Commissioner and officers under him, the power of police officers and constables with the power to make arrests with or without warrants; and to issue subpoenas requiring attendance at hearings for the investigation of fires; providing a procedure for the inspection of buildings and the destruction, removal and repair of dangerous buildings, premises and property, and the collection of the cost thereof in certain cases, from the owner by liens and giving such liens priority; requiring constables and police officers to serve certain warrants and subpoenas and providing penalties for the violation of the several provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 480 (House Bill No. 1372)

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise, and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death; to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors, and marines; and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 698 (House Bill No. 1373)

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names, styles or title identical with or similar to the names, styles or titles of State boards, commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names, styles or titles, where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations, and those of said State boards, commissions or other activities.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. DELL, from the Committee on Constitutional Reform, reported as committed House Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act proposing an amendment to section one, article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Mr. HESS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1053, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled 'An Act providing for the payment of judgments and mortgages, and other claims, which are liens on property affected by public improvements or appropriated by the exercise of the right of eminent domain,' " excepting proceedings to ascertain damages and benefits by reason of municipal street or sewer improvements.

Mr. WALLACE, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1123, entitled

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act applicable to all counties of this Commonwealth, to provide monthly payments, as approved by the trustees, to indigent widows, or abandoned mothers, for partial support of their children in their own homes; the manner of appointment of the trustees; the administration of the trust; amount of appropriations, proportioning appropriations, co-ordinate appropriations; amounts to be paid, form of records, eligibility, penalties, and reports, as set forth," as amended.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 1142, entitled

An Act to regulate the sale, giving away, prescribing, dispensing and possession of opium and cocoa leaves, their compounds, manufactures, alkaloids, salts, derivatives and preparations and prescribing penalties for violations thereof.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed House Bill No. 1008, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to prevent the manufacture and sale of adulterated or misbranded drugs; defining the word 'drug;' prescribing penalties for violation of this act, and the method of its enforcement."

Mr. SPANGLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1238 (Senate Bill No. 581), entitled

An Act empowering certain corporations societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the Court of Common Pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

Mr. DELL, from the Committee on Game, reported as committed House Bill No. 1217 (Senate Bill No. 109), entitled

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth requiring non-residents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth providing penalties for violation of any of its provisions and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

Mr. DELL, from the Committee on Game, reported as amended House Bill No. 1219 (Senate Bill No. 121), entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing a method for the payment

of the same and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

Mr. HOFFMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended House Bill No. 986, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Department of Agriculture.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. MILNER asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Wells.

Mr. ARTHUR asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Aron.

Mr. ERDMAN asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Rinn.

Mr. McCURDY asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Brumbaugh, on account of sickness.

Mr. DITHRICH asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Simpson.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. STITES offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY, FRIENDSHIP AND GOODWILL OF THIS STATE TO RUSSIA IN HER SUBSTITUTION OF DEMOCRACY FOR AUTOCRACY.

Whereas, The people of Russia have taken the government of that Country into their own hands and have substituted a Democracy for an Autocracy, and

Whereas, We wish to rejoice with Russia, the oft-proved friend of this country, that she has ranged herself on the side of enlightened freedom and liberty which have been paid for by the lives of thousands of her bravest and best; Therefore, be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That this General Assembly, expressing the sentiments of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and of the sister states, rejoices with Russia that she has made her dream of Democracy come true and bespeaks for her the aid and encouragement of the liberty-loving people of our nation; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by His Excellency the Governor under the seal of the Commonwealth to the President of the Duma of Russia.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 270.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 270, entitled "An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled 'An Act relating to receivers' sales' as amended providing that personal notice or notice by publication may be given after presentation of the petition for a private sale in certain cases and validating certain sales where notice by publication only has been made."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 141.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 141, entitled "An Act relating to police pension funds in cities of the second class and directing such cities to appropriate certain moneys thereto."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 134.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 134, entitled "An Act authorizing George C. Souder of the City of Lancaster, Lancaster County to sue the Commonwealth."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 111.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to advise you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 111, entitled "An Act providing for the salary of uniformed guards and artisans of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 104.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 104, entitled "An Act concerning the construction of rural post roads and giving the assent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the provisions of an act of Congress approved July eleventh one thousand nine hundred sixteen entitled 'An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes' and conferring certain powers upon the State Highway Department."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 52.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 52, entitled "An Act to enable city county poor ward school borough and township tax collectors their executors and administrators if they are deceased or either surety or sureties if the surety or sureties have paid the taxes to collect taxes for the payment of which they have become personally liable without having collected the same by the expiration of the authority of their respective bonds or by the expiration of the authority of their respective warrants or by the expiration of their terms of office and to extend the time for the collection of the same for a period of two years from the passage of this act."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 618.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 618, entitled "An Act prescribing a closed season for sturgeon in the waters of Lake Erie under the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth on the condition that certain legislation shall be adopted by certain states of the United States and by the Province of Ontario of the Dominion of Canada."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 432.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 432, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act providing that in all counties having more than five hundred thousand inhabitants advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court shall be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other legal notices' approved the third day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine so as to cause advertisements and notices required by law or rules of court to be published in newspapers of general circulation unless dispensed with by special order of court to be published in the legal newspaper issued at least weekly of the proper county designated by rules of court for the publication of court or other notices in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants or more instead of five hundred thousand inhabitants as required by the first act."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 366.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 366, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Leroy Market Company Edward L Keane Secretary of a certain sum erroneously paid to the Dairy and Food Commissioner and transferred into the State Treasury."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 324.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 324, entitled "An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Forestry by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen on the purchase of lands to be set aside and held as State forest reserves to the fund for the payment of the examination of titles to lands purchased by said Department."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 286.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 286, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to refund to Frederick H Woodhead of Philadephia an overpayment for collateral inheritance tax in the estate of Christine Rauch deceased."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 120.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 120, entitled "An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class by authority of the court to appoint policemen defining their powers and duties providing for their compensation and requiring the keepers or persons in charge of jails lockups and station houses to receive persons arrested by such policemen."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 319.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 319, entitled "An Act transferring part of the fund appropriated to the Department of Mines for the payment of the salaries of the inspectors of coal mines by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the fund for the payment of the actual traveling expenses of the inspectors and for their office rent stationery postage telegrams express charges instruments typewriters furniture and all other actual and necessary expenses."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 177.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 5, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 177, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Frankford Hospital located in Frankford Philadelphia."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 493.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 4, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 493, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirtieth day of March one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled 'An Act to promote the health and efficiency of firemen in cities of the second class by providing for a two-platoon system for firemen in the Department of Public Safety of such cities' by extending the same to cities of the first class."

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor, being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

VETO OF HOUSE BILL NO. 1.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 23, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 1, entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the State Highway Department and providing for the construction and improvement of part of a certain State highway located in the County of Armstrong."

This Bill is wholly unnecessary and against public policy. The construction of this road under like conditions as prevail under the so-called "State-aid Act" has already been made possible by the approval of Senate Bill No. 23 of this session. Public policy demands that the funds of the Commonwealth for highway construction and improvement shall be expended impartially and equitably. This can only be accomplished in the interest of the whole people by granting funds to the Department concerned and giving such Department as the law now does, the right to place funds where they will do the largest good.

This bill, moreover, is so manifestly unconstitutional that its approval would only lead to the defeat of the purpose it seeks to attain.

For these reasons this bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill become a law, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, on account of the lengthy veto and the fact that it was vetoed twice, I move that the question, together with the bill, be laid upon the table.

Mr. MARVIN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING (SPECIAL ORDER).

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1198 (Senate Bill No. 104), entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the superintendent and deputy superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

MR. WHITAKER IN THE CHAIR.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the House I feel that it is unnecessary to make extensive remarks on this bill. It has been very thoroughly discussed during the second reading of the same, but at the same time I feel that something should be said, because I feel that there is not a bill that has been considered by this Legislature during this entire session that is of such manifest importance to the State of Pennsylvania as the State Police Bill that we are now considering is to the State at the present time. Under the Act of 1905 the purpose of the State Police was to preserve peace and prevent crime. It is needless for me to tell you that the State Police have very efficiently done what they have been organized to accomplish. It has been said on the floor of this House that organized labor is opposed to this measure. I believe that I can safely say that there are some members of organized labor who are opposed to this bill, but the organized labor, being composed of men of common sense, of good judgment, of knowledge of affairs, know and realize the importance of the State Police to the protection of their own lives and of their property. I have in my possession here a whole sheaf of letters written by miners, members of mining unions, who have called upon the State Police for protection. I have one here signed by Local Union No. 265 of DuPont, Pa. I have here a short letter to Mr. Buss, by one of the United Mine Workers of America, he says, "I approve of increasing the number of State Police, as they protect life and property," signed by A. Hilbert. I have another one here from M. J. Grady, Miner, 21 Giddings street, Pittston, Pa. He says "according to newspaper information, I see there is a movement to increase the State Police force. I believe the present force is inadequate to successfully cope with such "undesirables" as the I. W. W. and such other birds of passage of similar character, and in order to avoid a recurence of recent atrocities, I, as a citizen taxpayer of Pennsylvania say use all honorable means to secure the passage of the bill."

There are a great many letters that I might read that would require a half hour to get through with, but I will not tire the House with them. I will say this, that Sheriff Buss said in my own presence that he believes that if it were not for the State Police, the I. W. W. would eat up the miners. We all know that the Miners' Organization, that Labor Organizations have appealed repeatedly for protection against the lawlessness of the I. W. W. But, Mr. Speaker, aside from that, I feel that there is no time in the history of this country when we could more urgently, more determinately, with better faith, with better courage, ask for an increase of the State Police force than at the present time.

We are now engaged in a great war, at the very beginning of a war, and I feel that we should have the protection of a great police force that is able to lay a protecting hand upon the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in its hour of greatest need.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, there has been much said here in the past few days with regard to the Mine Workers' Association. I am not going to take up much of the time of the House, I am not going into a lengthy discussion of this subject. I know it is very hard to change the minds of some men when they have become set. It reminds me, my friends, of a gentleman one time who you could not make believe that anything was right. He even said the Scripture was wrong; he even said the Creator was wrong, that when he made this earth he didn't make it right; that if he had made it right he would not have had a great big tree with little bits of nuts on it, or a little vine with great pumpkins on it. One day the man fell asleep in under the tree and one of the nuts came down and hit him on the nose, and he said, "Thank God, it was not a pumpkin." I am not going to throw any pumpkins at you here. The gentleman from York said that the Mine workers' organization asked for the protection of the State Police. I happened to have charge at that time of the miners and of the situation in Old Forge, where this rioting was, and I have here some articles that have been written in the press, and I want to say to you, my friends, that with all of the bravery of the State Police, I can show to you that there must have been some reason for these outbreaks. It is all right to be brave, but when you find miners going home from their two weeks' work with thirty-two cents of pay, it takes a great deal of bravery to walk into a home with eight little children. No wonder sometimes they riot. I do not want this House to believe that I am in favor of the I. W. W. I am utterly opposed to that organization, and if you will follow the press you will see that our organization, the United Mine Workers of America, did all in its power to do away with that organization. Our organization believes in law

and order, and does everything in its power to see that our men conduct themselves in an orderly way. I have here a few of the due bills of a little place called Greenwood, where there were riots—and my friends, if they had kept their contracts with the organization that they made them with, this organization would not have been allowed to go in there and there would not have been any truoble. We have miner 481 who got out fourteen and a half cars and whose earnings were thirty-six dollars and seventy-six cents. The deductions were twenty-five dollars and eighty-three cents, his net earnings being ten dollars and forty-three cents; miner 461 got out twenty cars, his earnings were forty-four dollars and forty-five cents, the deductions nineteen dollars and ninety-one cents, the net earnings fourteen dollars and fifty-four cents. I could go on that way for a long time, but, my friends, that was the real reason for the disturbance. I went down there, President Dempsey and myself of that district, and we challenged Joe Helter, the anarchist in charge of the I. W. W., and we challenged him to debate, won their men to the United Mine Workers, and settled it without the sheriff, police or any one else, increased these men's wages, and everything has been going along peacefully ever since. It is not a question to-night, my freinds, whether the State constabulary is a good thing or a bad thing. That is not the question before this House, or whether the United Mine Workers need them or not. If that is so, I would ask of you, who is Katherine Mayo? What was she paid for printing this book, and who paid her?—"The tables are turned at last." My friends, the tables have never been turned in our organization. We have never had a single bit of trouble, and have known the importance of carrying on our contracts in an orderly way. I am going to get away from that, that does not enter into this question. The question we must face here this evening is whether it is right or not to increase the salary and the number of the State constabulary at this time. I say to you honestly that I do not believe that the superintendent—and I believe that he is a good man—should be increased from three thousand to six thousand, as Mr. Spangler says, to show our patriotism. Some of us will be called upon to show our patriotism, and we won't have our salaries increased to go and show it either. In 1898, I, with a lot of other mining boys, left for the Philippine Islands. It wasn't the raising of the salary we went there for, we went there because we were willing to fight for the flag. You will find the boys in that region and all over this State ready to come to the colors at the time that they are needed, and they don't need to be increased in salary. They tell us that our boys will be taken away and we will need the State Police. Supposing you give them the increase in number, I want to tell you that it won't be enough of men to guard the few bridges from here to Scranton. It would take ten thousand State Police to guard all the industries and bridges of this State. I want to tell you my friends that this State at this time cannot afford to go to that expense. Now I have nothing much further to say to you on this question. It is not the question of the United Mine Workers, it is a question whether we should give a man as much salary as a brigadier-general in the United States Army receives. A brigadier-general—and I have followed some of the best of them, Grant and Funston (that is Fred Grant)—and they only get six thousand dollars, and you want to tell our people that you should increase the salary of the superintendent of the State Police, who only has two hundred and some men under him, to six thousand dollars. It is ridiculous to think of it, and my friends, I shall to-night vote against this measure.

Mr. CHARLES SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, in the few moments that are allotted to one to speak I want to say briefly that I am in favor of this excellent bill that is before us to-night. Most of the men on the force were selected from applications that have come in from those who were soldiers in the army and the selections were made therefrom in order that the efficiency of the Department would prove satisfactory to our people. On Tuesday last this bill was explained. It has been covered thoroughly by the gentlemen on both sides, but let me add this one point: Protection of home and industry is one essential thing that we want. This organization is an asset to the State of Pennsylvania. They are men who are fearless in the performance of their duty and in the maintenance of order in this Commonwealth of ours. There is no body of men in any organization that compares to them. To-day we are confronted with war. We believe that the National Guard may be called to the frontier or the water-front. We need the increase of these men for the protection of our munition plants and other industries. I believe that we ought to have double the number that is asked for in this bill. We have knowledge of a number of instances in which crime has been ferreted out by these men. What has this force done? Illustrations might be given upon one point and another, but I feel that I should relate to you one instance that comes from a gentleman from Schuylikll County who is the District Attorney and who made this statement: "The State Police have been of great assistance to the District Attorney's office in almost every county in the State of Pennsylvania." They have helped to secured convictions in many cases and I might mention but two. In one case they located in the wilds of Minnesota a man who had fled there from here who was charged with the murder of his wife. The man was brought back, tried and convicted of murder in the first degree. In another case they followed men through many states and after six months or more three men were brought back and tried and convicted of murder in the second degree and are serving in the penitentiary in this State.

Gentlemen of the House, it is very essential to know that we have good men who are fearless, who will go throughout this country of ours and ferret out the crime that has taken place in our State and succeed in obtaining convictions. In the several thousands of arrests that have been made it is reported that nearly eighty-five per cent. of those arrested were convicted and sent to prison. Gentlemen, I hope that you will support this bill. As you and I have seen, many articles have apeared throughout the press of the State in support of this bill and therefore I trust that every member present will give his support to this bill providing for the addition of one hundred more men, for it is believed by all that we will require them for our protection.

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, in speaking in favor of this bill I will say in the premises that I don't believe that there is any man in the House of whom it can be said that his mind is not subject to change if the consideration of this bill and the necessities of the hour require it. I am reminded that one time the great Parnell of Ireland, was arguing a case before the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland and that Lord Chief Justice during the hearing of the argument turned to Parnell and said: "Mr. Parnell, there is not any use of you proceeding further on that point; it is simply going in one ear and out the other." Parnell replied at once: "I know it, Lord; there is nothing between the ears to stop it." I am satisfied that there is not a man in this House that lacks brains to consider any bill that is presented for our consideration. It has been said to-night that the State Constabulary has shown bravery. I am going to say to you gentlemen that if you will consider, from personal contact with these men, their records, they are not men that are chosen by haphazard that are chosen with regard to their political affiliation, and as to that if they were connected with politics it would immediately result in the discharge of any man on that force; and furthermore if any man comes with a political recommendation he is immediately refused. Therefore we have an organization patterned on the type of the greatest organization in the world namely, the British Constabulary. They are free and clear of all political affiliation and do their duty with only one thought in mind and that is their duty; and our constabulary is so well known that, as you heard at another time, eleven states have patterned their constabulary on the same plan.

Gentlemen, in considering this bill, I have been extremely surprised to receive from two labor organizations letters asking me to vote against the bill. I have always noticed in the public prints and I have heard it testified to in court that organized labor is in favor of law and order. If, therefore, organized labor takes the position of being in favor of law and of order why should it oppose that which assists in the maintaining of law and order?

One more thought: You will find by an examination of the records of this case that in coming before the courts or before commissions that organized labor has always taken the stand that it is not their men that cause the rackets, it

is not their men that cause the riots; and in that I believe they are correct. We found in the City of Philadelphia some years ago, when we had a terrific trolley strike, that the trolley men did not cause the trouble; it was the great mob, and the sympathizers and the "do-nothings" or the "won't-works" that hung around the places where crowds congregated. They threw bricks through the cars they broke the windows and hurt the passengers and mashed up property generally. Gentleman of the House the State Constabulary breaks up these crowds that don't belong to organized labor that go beyond the limits of law and reason in what they consider their rights. They are not in favor of law; they believe in license; they don't know the meaning, the real meaning of the term liberty as it is used in the United States. Therefore, any organization that keeps down mob law and that says to union men, "go ahead and do your duty and we will do ours" is one that should be maintained.

The learned gentleman from Lackawanna referred to-night to the contracts existing between the Miners' Union ad the operators of the mines. I am going to say to you that if the operators of the mines had a contract with the Miners' Union and the operators failed to maintain the terms of that contract there is a place provided for by the Constitution of the State and by the Constitution of the Unied States where those wrongs can be righted—I refer to the courts; and the Constitution provides that the courts shall be open at all times. Therefore, if it is true—and I do not doubt it—that the contract existed between the Miners' Union and the mine operators and that contract was breached, it was the duty of the miners to go into court and by the conscience of the chancellor seek redress of their grievances.

Reference has been made to the enormous salary proposed for the Superintendent of the State Constabulary. It has been stated that his salary is equivalent to that of a Brigadier General in the United States Army. To that I must enter a demurrer for this reason: A Brigadier General in the United States Army receives $6,000.00 a year, and what else? The learned gentleman from Lackawanna has not told you what else he receives.

The salary which Major Groome will receive if this bill is passed is equivalent to that of a Major in the United States Army. I am going to say to you men that if you will take the trouble to analyze this matter from a military standpoint, you will find that the duties of the Superintendent compared with the duties of a Major in the United States Army, that the Superintendent of our State Police has far more work to do and a much greater territory to cover than a Major in the United States Army. A Major in the Army has nearly the whole year to devote to peaceful pursuits, of looking after men who will need to be drilled. The Superintendent of State Police has to drill his men not merely as soldiers, but he has to drill them also as police, and not merely as police but also as detectives. Their record has been referred to and it has been shown that 820 arrests out of every one thousand served time. That record is not exceeded by any police record in the State of Pennsylvania. Gentlemen, Major Groome has a record for efficiency that cannot be gainsaid and as a Superintendent of the State Police his work is unquestioned. In the Spanish War he was a Captain and if you will follow his record you will know that as Captain of that old body known as the First City Troop of Philadelphia, established in the City of Philadelphia beginning in 1774, he drew his sabre and mounted his horse and went off down in Cuba where some of his men, who were classmates of mine, laid down their lives. He has been ready to do his duty and he has done his duty in the past and is willing to serve his country at this time and it is necessary that we should have such men in this Commonwealth at this time when this war is within our borders. We have a lesson in England. After England had entered into the trials of war there were troubles at home and they required the return of some of their trained men to take care of the difficulties that were then in existence within their borders. With that as a litle guiding star we should not except that our population would do otherwise and we should see to it to do everything that we can to see that peace is maintained and that this bill should pass.

Mr. FOWLER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman who has just spoken has said that the salary of Major Groome should be as much as that of a Major in the Regular Army. If you will read last Tuesday's Legislative Journal you will see where Mr. Maurer, the member from Berks, in this House, read a report of where Major Groome was before a commission, giving testimony before the Industrial Commission at Washington, and when asked by Mr. Walsh, "Were you present at the strike in Erie?" and Major Groome's answer was, "No, sir. I only take command when the entire force or squad is out. When one troop or portion of troop is out the commanding officer of that troops is with them; when all are out then I take command as a senior officer but I don't interfere with them in their rank."

So, he is not in actual service all the time as the gentleman states, and, as I understand by what Brother Maurer says, the only time they have been together in a good many years was when they posed for moving pictures.

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, when we cast our vote for this bill we are privileged to vote for a body of men who in efficiency have no equal in the United States of America, considering their numbers. Their efficiency is so marked that there is not a state in the Union to-day who is not casting longing eyes to Pennsylvania and who don't contemplate the organization of a similar body. The Lieutenant-Governor of this State told me this morning that on the trip that was taken with the Liberty Bell to San Francisco, that party passed through more than a majority of the States of the Union and that there was not a single exception of any Governor who did not ask him for his opinion upon the efficiency of this body of men in our State and the advisibility of appointing a similar body in their state. He told me that the Governor of Colorado said to him, "If we in Colorado had a body of men like that who were as efficient in maintaining law and order as that small body of men is over in Pennsylvania; if we had such a body in our mining camps, we should double the population of Colorado in five years." What are these men remarkable for? Efficiency. What is their duty? To maintain law and order and ferret out crime. Is there anything wrong about that? Have you ever heard of a single instance since they were organized within the bounds of this State, where they did not succeed in maintaining law and order? Just this evening, as I was in conversation with Sheriff Buss of Luzerne County, he told me that during September, October and November of last year, at a time when the I. W. W. were out on a strike and when they refused to work with the United Mine Workers to maintain order in the mines that he was hopelessly incapable, with the many assistants that he had called to his side, to maintain order. He told me that conditions became such that hundreds of citizens asked to be sworn in as deputies for the simple purpose of being permitted to carry weapons of defense to protect their own families. At this time when our National Guard is out ,these men are, at this very minute, at this very time, training this National Guard to be as efficient as they themselves are in this work. At this time when they are locally needed and when we have about 270 men to look after the safety and the law and order of this State, I ask you gentlemen to vote "aye" on this bill.

Mr. MAURER. Mr. Speaker, I think that some of the remarks made on law and order here should be answered. That is all I rise to do. It has been said about the I. W. W., in regard to which I wish to say something; also as to what the Sheriff of Luzerne County said.

I have here a copy of the newspaper reports of that Sheriff's conduct, where he failed to bring in a single indictment against any of the men that were arrested. He was scathingly rebuked by the District Attorney for his part in that fracas. Now there has been much more said about the law and order side, just as if those of us who oppose this constabulary bill were opposed to law and order. That is not so, gentlemen, for this debate last Tuesday shows and after the debate of last Tuesday and of the last six years on this floor, and very many of you who spoke about law and order are old members and men who are not present here for the first time, have heard addresses by the dozen on this subject. I do not believe any of you will agree or admit that any of us who oppose the Constabulary have condoned anything else but law and order. We oppose this Department because it does

not maintain law and order, but provokes disorder in a strike situation. We have proven it. I spoke about an hour and fifteen minutes last Tuesday and I showed you that that is what happened, but it seems like the gentleman on the other side said, "it goes in one and out of the other." You gentlemen seem to pay no attention There is an old saying, "convince a man against his will, and he remaineth of the same opinion still." I have always believed that a Legislative body was open to conviction, it seems that it is not so with all of us. I am willing to be convinced on any subject. Now, we have shown you people the situation at Scranton, at Wilkes-Barre, and at Hazelton. I could have taken you to wherever there was a strike situation. I am going to be frank with you again, these men come in and they provoke disorder by being partial in their conduct. That is what causes disorder. Now, we only want them to maintain law and order, and that is all. If you are going to keep on patting them on the back, why they are going to keep on doing in the future what they have done in the past. I do not want that. A great deal has been said about the fact that we need them for patriotic purposes. I have a letter here which I received from the Chamber of Commerce of Philadelphia, and they use the war as an excuse. They say here that which is very striking: "Owing to the state of war now existing between the United States and Germany, this would seem to be an opportune time to increase the force of the State Police." They take advantage of our unfortunate condition to increase the State Police. For the amount of money you are going to spend for one hundred extra State policemen you could get six hundred soldiers, and they will be more efficient, perhaps, than those one hundred policemen. Now, if it is protection you want, why not spend that $200,000 extra on six hundred soldiers, then you are talking about efficiency, that is more like it. I just came in from Toledo this morning, from Toledo clean in here I saw soldiers at the bridges that we passed over, guarding the bridges. I saw them on my way home last week, and wherever I go I see soldiers, along the railroads, guarding the important bridges. Those soldiers are getting sixteen dollars a month; our State troopers get $80 and you want to give them $90. You are having pets in this thing. Talk about protecting our munition plants. How much protection do you think 100 men or 200 men can give a great munition plant? You are not going to get very far with 200 nor with 100 men. Now, I merely refer to that, gentlemen, merely to show you that the argument that "now we are at war we need them," is not a fair argument. Let use not be so unpatriotic as to try to pass a bill in the guise of patriotism. I do not believe in that kind of patriotism, if I want to do a thing I will do it just for what it is worth, and not try to make it appear that in these great trying times we must pass the State Police Bill. My friend ——

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Berks.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Berks permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. MAURER. Mr. Speaker, as soon as I am through.

The gentleman from York mentioned the Labor Unions that favored this bill. The gentleman mentioned two distinct organizations. I would be very much obliged if the gentleman would give me the names of the organizations. I do not ask him to do it in public if he does not see fit, but I will be thankful if he hands them to me afterwards. The gentleman from York mentioned the names of some Union men, I do not question that at all. Of course there are some Union men that do not understand. We have Union men that never were in a strike. We have what we call "card" union men. Some of them pay dues, and that is about all they amount to. Those poor fellows do not understand what the struggle for existence is. My dear friend from York held up a few letters to show that union men favored the Constabulary. I can bring you in 400,000 names, if need be, who are opposed to the State Constabulary. I have the honor to represent the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, representing nearly 500,000 men and women of this State. Do you think I could take this position if it was not in strict accord with the instructions they gave me on this question? Certainly not. The gentlemen speaks about the other States casting their eyes on Pennsylvania. I do not question that. A man who lives in comfort and ease, with a fixed income, never in any struggle for bread, he cannot understand the labor question. You live for a whole summer on less than $1.00 a week and feed a family on it, and then get your head cracked and thrown into prison, and your family put out of their home, you go through a battle like that, and you will commence to understand the struggle of labor. In great mining industries, when there is a strike, those houses belong to the company. You have an eviction law in this State. In some counties they can evict in five days. You have trespass laws, and they can arrest for trespassing. The roadways in those mining towns are private owned streets, the churches stand on private owned streets, the postoffice on private owned streets, and when you have a strike situation, and the father of the family is arrested when he is on the street for trespassing, they throw him into prison, in order to cow him and break the spirit of the man or woman. And then, if it does not do that, they get together and have a discussion of their grievances and then the State Constabulary rides in and "disperses" them as they say. Gentlemen, I do not like to talk about this, but I am forced to. I say you people who have lived in comfort all your lives and have never struggled as we have, simply cannot understand. I know you cannot understand.

You may think you can, but you don't. You have never been in a strike. Don't say we should never have strikes, that is the last resort we have. No one ever fought strikes harder than I did, against them, and the last man in a union to vote for it. I fought bitterly for weeks and weeks against calling a strike; I did not want a strike, but when there is no other way we must call a strike, and when we do, our strength lies in keeping other men from taking the jobs, and we try to do that. They bring in strikebreakers. The strikebreakers are armed; they bring in gunmen, and they are armed; they use the coal and iron police, and they are armed; they bring the State Police, and they are armed, everybody is armed except the striker, who is a citizen and a taxpayer. The men they bring in are not citizens and taxpayers, but they are allowed to go armed. It is perfectfully lawful for a strikebreaker or a gunman imported by the company to be armed, but it is unlawful for a striker. But gentlemen, we do not carry arms and don't want to. We never did; we don't want to fight, but we do not want to be murdered or clubbed and beaten. You talk about having done away with the coal and iron police. We never got away from them. When you passed the constabulary law you promised the people of Pennsylvania that you were going to repeal the private detective laws, but you have to-day all of the old laws you had before the passage of the State Police law. You did not repeal a single one, they are still here and you still use them. Let us be fair about it, let us not try to swing this bill through under the guise of patriotism. I will measure my patriotism with any man in this House, State or Nation. I find my experience has been that those who talk the loudest and talk about being the bravest and always wanting a fight, when something starts, we find that gentleman under the table, and we find the man who did not want to fight is generally a good fighter. Let us take this bill for what it is worth. It means this: That the State Constabulary as you now have it costs you four hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year. If this bill is defeated, you still have them and that expense because it won't repeal the law. You will still have the State Police, you will still have what you have now, but if it passes then you are going to have an expense of over two hundred thousand dollars a year more. You are going to have the beginning of that which you to-night passed a resolution eulogizing Russia for getting rid of. I fear for my country. I tell you my friends, the states have asked for and look with respect upon the constabulary. You are driving toward militarism, and I warn you. You have the State Police here, in New York, and in Ohio, and you will finally have them in every state in the Union, and you will get where Russia has just gotten away from—that under which Russia has been suffering for centuries, the Russian Cossack. Here I tell you what you are getting into under the guise of patriotism. I warn you now to watch Washington. To-day the first bill of the draft laws was offered, and they are going to draft a million men for their army. It is their intention to have close to a million men in the trenches of Europe in a year. Now by the time this war

is over we will find ourselves loaded down by a military machine. Germany, after the Franco-Prussian war said, "We must build an army greater than France," and she built that army, and this miserable mess you now see in Europe is the result of trying to have the biggest army in the world.

QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, I do not wish to be out of order in regard to the rules of this Assembly, but I do not wish to sit here and listen to anything derogatory to our national policies.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Berks will continue.

Mr. MAURER. Mr. Speaker, if a great truth is too much for the gentleman to listen to, I certainly will have no objection if he will withdraw until I am through. I am within my rights on this floor to warn the people of a danger to my country when I see it. They want to go to Europe and give them democracy, but they deny it to me here in the legislative halls of Pennsylvania. My friends, what I fear is this, the "Prussianization" of this country, the building of a powerful machine that has meant so much to Europe and under which Europe has suffered so much. I do not want to see it so. This republic has thrived for a century or more without such a machine. This military machine of the State Constabulary is the beginning, and it is growing larger, and larger, and larger so that I fear for the future for those who control the military machine, control the people and you know it. Let us not fool ourselves. The working class of Pennsylvania, the salt of the State, is appealing to you not to give Pennsylvania any more of this constabulary. It is up to you; use your own judgment, vote as you think right, and we will have to abide by the results.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I do not wish to call into question the sincerity of purpose of the honorable gentleman from Berks, or of the gentleman from Lackawanna, in speaking contrary to the bill which now lies before you, but I take it for granted that honest labor is at no time opposed to law and order. I take it for granted that the guilty always flee "when no man pursueth." I take it for granted that there are men who would find it to their advantage if the entire police system of our great cities and of this State was abolished, and they probably would rejoice if they could be convinced of the fact that the day had come when law no longer governed and when every man was free to do as he pleased for himself. If there is anything wrong with the State Police, if at times mistakes have been made, there is a remedy for the abuse of judgment and for the wrong that has been done. No man would think for a moment of abolishing the entire police system of the City of Philadelphia, from which I come, simply for the reason that now and then some police officer oversteps the line of discretion and does that which in reason and justice he ought not to do, but I am convinced that the objection to this bill is not because of the increase in salary, because I have heard it repeatedly pointed out in several sessions that have passed by ever since these police have come into existence. It is undoubtedly true that by reason of some strife here and there between lawless people and the State Police that some would rather have this institution altogether abolished, but to my mind it is a decidedly big improvement in the condition of affairs as they existed before this State Police was called into existence. I remember back at the time of the anthracite strike—not the last one, but the one preceding it by a good many years before—when the entire National Guard of your State was sent to Homestead, with what disastrous strike they met there and came in contact with honest labor in many instances, because of bad judgment sometimes on both sides of the House; and more serious was the fact that these mine owners and operators were permitted to hire their own police, the mining police as they were called. In the event of any strike they would send to large cities like Philadelphia and New York and they would hire all the thugs and all the loafers that they could find that hadn't any honest labor to perform and they would get these men to come into your State her to watch the mines; and, surely, it was not the character of men to place on guard; and the result was that we had turmoil and strife and bloodshed here at home in the good old State of Pennsylvania. But with the advent of these State Police, almost single-handed, two and three at a time have been able to quell riots and subdue hundreds up against constituted authority. I take it for granted that when the mine operator or his superintendent or his police violates the law that they ought to be punished, and I say with equal truth that when the police force violates the law they ought to be punished. But there is a great deal more in the existence of this institution than the mere suppression of occasional strikes in this State of ours. It means the stability of law and order; it means the detection of crime which for years has gone unpunished because of the lack of a proper detective system in this State to find those guilty of the crime and bring them to justice; and at this time, when we are under the very clouds of war which are hanging over our nation and threatening the welfare of our State, when it is possible at any time for any little insurrection to come here and there in some foreign settlement in this State, when bridges may be blown up and buildings torpedoed and blown to pieces, when human life may be taken, I say this is the time above all times when two hundred and fifty loyal men should be held in their positions to do their duty and stand faithful by the State of Pennsylvania and its citizenship. It is not because of any hostility to labor. I voted for more labor bills in this session and in the last session than perhaps any other man in this House and I have always been a friend to honest labor, but I will say this to labor; if you challenge my sincerity in this vote and the sincerity of other men who believe in law and order at this time, then we have come to the parting of the ways and you cannot depend upon my support or the support of any other man who wants to be loyal to his State and to his Nation. Two hundred and fifty men against millions in this great Commonwealth will never Russianize the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania nor ever capture the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall. Two hundred and fifty men will never steal the liberties of loyal Pennsylvanian sons, and whenever the time comes that the police system of this State is to arise in proportion and degree to what we have witnessed in foreign nations then is the time to speak, but not now. This is not the time to ignore present conditions; this is not the time for disorder and disturbance. This is the time for peace and orderly discussion of protective measures for your welfare and the welfare of every law-abiding citizen in this Commonwealth.

Why, gentlemen, I remember some years ago in the City of Philadelphia we had one of the greatest trolley strikes that ever took place within my own recollection. Thousands and thousands of men were out on the streets and thousands more were there to sympathize with those who had gone out on the strike. Why, you sent your militia to Philadelphia to preserve law and order and I seen men standing on the street and tearing the very guns from the arms of the soldiers that were standing there to preserve law and order. But when these stately men came riding through the streets of Philadelphia those who came to make light and to scorn left with respect and envy at loyal obedience to righteousness and justice which these men displayed. Why, the very boys upon the street were glad to hold the reins of the horses while the guardsmen would go out to perform some little duty. They were not welcome, not at all; but after they had been there a day or two and had shown by their manly bearings that they were there to preserve order and mete out justice between all people, regardless of who and what they were, then the hats were raisd of all loyal people and the strike soon was over. The most remarkable thing about the entrance of the police in Philadelphia at that particular time was the fact that not one of them fired a single shot in the preservation of order at that time, and if I say nothing more in defense of the police system than this, I am satisfied. When two or three men, often-times one man, can handle hundreds of men by their orderly appearance and patience and good judgment and bring order out of chaos, you have a system that you may be proud of. When the time comes that their arm must be unjustly raised against labor I will say. "so far you can go but no further;" but as long as I believe they are here to do what is right towards labor, with as much regard for them as for capital, it does not lie in the mouth of others to find any fault with this great system of State Police.

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, no doubt a number of men within my hearing who are mem-

bers of this House and others who are visitors in the House at this time will be surprised when I take the floor and state that I am in favor of this bill. In the year 1909 I had the honor of representing the district that I now represent and then took the floor and done everything within my power to have the State Police Bill repealed. I failed. In the year 1910 and the year 1911 I was appointed county detective for the County of Luzerne and there had the pleasure of working side by side with the State troopers and, allow me to say, gentlemen, I became converted to the cause of the State Policemen and their good work. I come from, without a doubt, the strongest union district that there is in Pennsylvania. I come from a town that can proudly say that in the two collieries practically every man who goes down into the bowels of the earth and who works on the outside belongs to Locals No. 1138 and 1159, United Mine Workers of America.

Up until the year of 1914 I was treasurer of the Kingston Coal Company Keg Fund, an organization that had twenty-seven hundred members and every member that belonged to the Keg Fund had to be a union man. Now, there is a broad statement, but there are gentlemen and people here that can bear me out. It was the custom every year for this Keg Fund to run their annual picnic and I myself was authorized by that Keg Fund, up until the year 1915, to see if we could not get the troopers to come to our picnic. To the gentleman from Berks, I refer to the Kingston Coal Company Keg Fund as late as the year 1915, naming one of the organizations.

We have in the anthracite region a day that we look back to and dread when we think of it—Black Friday—the tenth of September, 1897, when the Sheriff of Luzerne County with a body of men entrained and went down to the lowert part of Luzerne County to a little town called Lattimer, and there, becoming exicited at the gathering of people, someone gave the word to fire; and what was the result? Gentlemen, twenty-one men were killed outright and scores of others were injured. From what? From the lack of training in efficiency. I could go on all night and relate to you incidents, but I do this, gentlemen, and have taken the floor at this time to state to you that I feel keenly the position of the different heads of organizations and I know how they feel on this subject. Some feel that the majority of the rank and file should turn around and support this measure or any measure of this kind. I want to say this: That I personally have interviewed in my own district, in my own town, scores of United Mine Workers, and if necessary I will mention the names of those who said to me, "Dick, if I was in your place I would support the State Police Bill." It is not a mater with me at this time of patriotism; it is a matter, as I look at it, of duty. Gentlemen, I am forced to make this statement after hearing some of the remarks that have been made by gentlemen on this floor. Last week the gentleman from Berks mentioned the case about a man in Luzerne County where a trooper by the name of Gallagher atacked an ex-coroner by the name of Meily, and also stated that there was a member of this House who was a member of the grand jury and that that man was indicted, but the gentleman from Berks did not tell you that the jury who tried the case found a verdict of guilty and sentenced Mr. Meily to pay two-thirds of the costs and the State Trooper one-third of the costs. These are the conditions. I know, I dare say at this present time, anywheres from fifty to one hundred men of the State Troop for whom, at least the great majority of them, I can only speak in words of praise. There might be some among them that might cause someone to say that they are no good but that you can find in any body of men. I have taken up considerable of your time, gentlemen, and I am going to ask you, from Luzerne County, which I represent, to support this bill.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I come here from a county in the interior of the State. We do not have a large percentage of union labor in our county, but we have some. I came here two years ago and voted against the Constabulary Bill. I was opposed to increasing the State Constabulary and to an increase in their salaries. At this present time I am still opposed, personally, to the increase of the salaries. However, I came here two years ago when our country was at peace, at a time when we were assembled under a flag of peace. But at the present time war clouds have gathered all around us, and we see our young men from the interior part of the State, as well as from other sections, enlisting in the National Army. Just this evening as I was taking my dinner I saw three splendid young men from my county come in and sit down at the table just in front of me to take their dinners. I said to them, "Boys, how does it come that you are here?" They said, "We have enlisted in the United States Army." I said, "What for?" They said, "To go wherever the Government of the United States needs us." Gentlemen of this House, our young men are being taken out of the interior of the State and out of other parts of the State to go out of the State and to serve in the United States Army. Yes, probably, under the will of God, to go across the briny deep to defend the principles for which our forefathers fought in 1776 in order that we might have an independent government. Our young men are being taken away from our homes in order that the principles of right and justice may live throughout the world; and now, since our young men are enlisting, and since our armies are being moved out of our own State, I believe that it is the duty of every man in this House to support this measure that will protect our homes, to support a measure that will guard us in this State when we have sent our soldiers out of the State. I know very well now what I am going to catch from certain sections in my county for voting in favor of this bill, but I am going to vote for it fearlessly, believing that I am doing right; that I am vtoing to protect my home and the homes of those in my county. I hope and trust that this bill will carry with a big majority, although I am opposed to the increase of salary.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—125.

Albee,	Fretz,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Glass,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldi,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Milner,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Goodwin,	Morgan, T.,	Snowden,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Musser,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Neary,	Speicher,
Black,	Haight,	Ogden,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Patterson,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Perry,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hess,	Powell,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Conner,	Hollingsworth,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hough,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Rich,	Walker,
Cox,	Jones,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Lewis,	Rininger,	Walter,
Curry,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Luppert,	Rudisill,	West,
Dell,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	McCullough,	Sarig,	Williams, J. P.,
Drinkhouse,	McCurdy,	Scott,	Wobensmith,
Dunn,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wood,
Eby,	McKinney,	Showalter,	Wylie,
Flynn,	McNichol,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Franklin,	Mehring,	Siggins,	Speaker.

NAYS—56.

Baldridge,	Fitzgibbon,	Mangan,	Ruddy,
Bell,	Fowler,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Canon,	Geary,	Maurer,	Smith, O. W.,
Clements,	Gormley,	McCaig,	Stadtlander,
Coldsmith,	Helt,	McVicar,	Steedle,
Crosby,	Hollern,	Michel,	Sullivan,
Davis, D. F.,	Horne,	Milliron,	Sweitzer,
Dawson,	Howarth,	Mitchell,	Taylor,
Dean,	Isherwood,	Murdoch,	Thomas,
Dithrich,	Jack,	Murphy,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Kennedy,	Palmer,	Woodward,
Drake,	Lanius,	Phillips,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	Laucks,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Zanders,
Erdman,	Leary,	Robertson,	
Fackler,	Malie,	Ross,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendments.

REASONS FOR VOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 104.

Mr. McKAY. Mr. Speaker,

First: Owing to the state of war now existing between the United States and Germany, this would seem to be an opportune time to increase the force of the State Police.

Second: I have not received any protests from my constituents against this measure, but, on the other hand have received both letters and telegrams asking me to vote for this bill.

I did vote for amendment against the increase of salary for Superintendent Groome to $6,000, believing it to be excessive.

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, being an American citizen first and holding my country's needs to be paramount to everything else, I feel at this time compelled to vote yes on the above mentioned bill on account of a state of war existing between this country and Germany. The United States having control of our State Militia and also on account of our State being composed of all nationalities, and the vast interests of the State of Pennsylvania being imperiled by plots of some foreign power it behooves us as Americans first last and all the time to protect and save our industries from ruin, to have our local and State Police force increased to such an extent to obsolutely protect them from all harm so therefore I feel it my duty at this trying time of my country's need to vote "yes" on Senate Bill No. 104, House Bill No. 1198.

Mr. McCURDY. Mr. Speaker, having voted in the affirmative on Senate Bill No. 104, do so under protest against increase of salary but believe this Commnowealth is in need of police protection to preserve law and order.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 190, entitled

An Act providing a system whereby persons absent from their regular polling places may cast their votes; imposing certain powers and duties upon the County Commissioners, Prothonotaries, Judges of Election, Return Boards of the various counties and the Board of Registration Commissions in cities of the first and second class in relation thereto; and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 191, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three, entitled "An Act providing that voters in this Commonwealth shall cast their ballots at polling places inside the election district in which they are domiciled and making it the duty of the courts of quarter sessions of the several counties to carry out the provisions of the same."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 429, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Lebanon Sanitorium of Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1084, entitled

An Act authorizing J. A. Croup, of Concord Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Butler County.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 913, entitled

An Act authorizing Mildred J. Barclay, a resident of the City of Pittsburgh, in the County of Allegheny, in her own right as well as for the benefit of her minor daughter, Mildred J. Barclay, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 923, entitled

An Act authorizing Edward J. Woods, of Edgewood Borough, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 842, entitled

An Act authorizing Robert J. McAllister and Ruth McAllister, his wife, residents of the Borough of Jersey Shore, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Clinton County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1031, entitled

A Supplement to an act, approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (P. L. 396), entitled "An Act creating a Department of Labor and Industry, defining its powers and duties; establishing an Industrial Board; providing for the appointment of a Commissioner of Labor, inspectors, statisticians, clerks, and others to enforce the provisions of this act, and providing salaries for the same; prescribing a standard of reasonable and adequate protection to be observed in the rooms, buildings, and places where labor is employed; empowering the said Industrial Board to make, alter, amend and repeal rules and regulations relating thereto; transferring the powers and duties of the Department of Factory Inspection to the Department of Labor and Industry, and abolishing the Department of Factory Inspection; and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act, or the rules and regulations of the said board," authorizing the Industrial Board to adopt a seal; and providing that certified copies of all records, documents and rulings of said board shall be received in evidence.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1137, entitled

An Act to amend paragrpah (e) of section three hundred six of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1278, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game, within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; prohibiting the hunting for, or capture or killing of, such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents; forbidding the ownership or possession of shotgun or rifle by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident, within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions," by permitting the ownership and possession of rifles by certain unnaturalized foreign-born residents for certain purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1139, entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs with the assent of the electors duly obtained at an election to use moneys borrowed for purposes which have proved inpracticable or impossible for any other lawful municipal purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 901, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section seventeen of article two of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 706, entitled

An Act to repeal a portion of the twenty-fourth clause of section one of the act of May thirty-one, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and eighty-five), entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government, repair of the canals and railroads of the State and other claims upon the Commonwealth."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1170, entitled

An Act authorizing R. B. Taylor of Bellefonte, Centre County, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1154, entitled

An Act authorizing the judges of the separate orphans' court in counties having a population of over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants to fix and determine the salaries of assistant clerks in said court.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 892, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities; and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions;" including also city and other public employes paid out of the funds of any public commission or private funds.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1146, entitled

An Act authorizing William R. Shellenberger and Emma L. Shellenberger, his wife, of the Township of Ahtens, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1261, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vancancies caused by such removal,' approved May eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and one, so as to allow them full pay during the balance of their terms of office, and, under certain conditions, half pay during the remainder of their lives," approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to provide that any judges of the supreme or superior court who has served in judicial office for twenty or more years shall be entitled to receive the benefits of said act immediately after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term, resignation or otherwise, whether said service be continuous or not.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 591, entitled

An Act authorizing the court of quarter sessions to make orders and decrees for the removal of bodies interred in burial grounds or cemeteries in or adjacent to cities belonging to any person, partnership, association or corporation and providing for the cost of the removal of such bodies.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 774, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives to investigate the operation of certain laws in cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 929, entitled

An Act to further regulate the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1187, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1152, entitled

An Act providing that persons, associations and corporations owning, occupying or controlling premises upon which any contractor or sub-contractor shall be permitted to do certain classes of construction work shall be liable for the wages of all employes engaged in such work and for the cost of all materials supplied for such work unless the contractor or sub-contractor shall file a bond for the immediate payment of wages and the cost of material when due; providing that a contractor shall be liable for the wages of employes of any sub-contractor and for the cost of materials furnished to any sub-contractor unless such sub-contractor shall file a bond covering the same; requiring every such contractor or sub-contractor to file a bond; specifying the form and amount of such bond; and permitting persons furnishing labor or materials to sue in such bond to recover wages and the cost of such materials.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 736, entitled

An Act to amend the third section of an act, entitled "An Act providing for monthly returns and payment by county and city officers and prothonotaries of the Supreme Court of moneys received by them for the use of the Commonwealth," approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, providing for proceeding in quo warranto against such officers for failure to file returns.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1080, entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act extending the powers and duties of foresters, forest rangers, game protectors, deputy game protectors, special deputy game protectors, fish wardens and deputy fish wardens of this Commonwealth."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1287, entitled

An Act to amend the third section of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors, and their enrollment as members of political parties, in cities of the first and second classes of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and their said enrollment as members of a political party a condition of the right to vote at primaries in said cities; and providing for the payment of witness fees for persons summoned before the commissioners; to provide penalties for violations of its provisions; and to repeal acts inconsistent herewith," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred seventy-seven), by regulating the compensation of the registration commissioners.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1287 be recommitted to the Committee on Elections for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1060, entitled

An Act empowering cities of the second class to purchase, lease, locate, construct, and equip, or otherwise acquire, transit facilities, and to own, maintain, use, and operate the same within their corporate limits, and within the limits of adjacent cities, boroughs, and townships; to exercise the right of eminent domain in connection therewith, and prescribing the manner of ascertaining the damages sustained in connection with such exercise; to sell, pledge, or lease transit facilities; to grant licenses for the use of the same; to enter into agreements for the construction and operation of the same; to connect the tracks of railways with the tracks of railroad or railway companies; and under certain conditions to use portions of the tracks of the latter; and empowering railroad, railway, and motor power companies to sell, purchase, and lease transit facilities to and from said cities, and to contract with said cities respecting the acquisition, construction, operation, and use of transit facilities, subject to the provisions of "The Public Service Company Law" of July twenty-six, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and its supplements and amendments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 60, entitled

An Act to amend section seventy-five of an act approved the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty (Pamphlet Laws three hundred eighty-two), entitled "An Act to consolidate, revise and amend the penal laws of this Commonwealth," by providing that the penalty for murder of the first degree shall be either death or life imprisonment at the discretion of the jury or of the court as the case may be.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 592, entitled

An Act making it unlawful for any individual or individuals to carry on or conduct any business under an assumed or fictitious name, style or designation unless upon the filing of a certificate to that effect in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and of the prothonotary requiring county commissioners at the expense of the county to provide books for the entry of such certificates; fixing the fees of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and prothonotary and providing penalties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1058, entitled

An Act authorizing the establishment of contagious disease hospitals in the several counties of the Commonwealth to be constructed and maintained out of county funds.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1151, entitled

An Act authorizing Frederick E. Windsor, of the Borough of Warren, County of Warren, to sue the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 797, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the elevator operators in the State Capitol.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House bill No. 478, entitled

An Act regulating the use of vehicles on the public highways; requiring lights on certain vehicles and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1045 (Senate No. 347), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the 21st day of May, 1901, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory, building, rooms, or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature,' approved the 24th day of May, A. D. 1887, by extending the provisions of said act to cities of the second and third class," by authorizing appropriations to batteries of artillery and regimental sanitary detachments.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House bill No. 312, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, four, five, six and seven, of Article VII, of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines

of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith," by providing for motor ambulances and requiring them to be furnished, free of charge, with registration certificates and number tags.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 882, entitled

An Act providing for a statistician in the Department of Mines and fixing the salary.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 888, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of certain employes in the Department of Mines.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1221 (Senate Bill No. 320), entitled

An Act amending sections one three four seven ten eleven and repealing section eight of an act entitled "An Act relating to the collection of city school and poor taxes in the several cities of the third class in this Commonwealth and providing that the city treasurer of each of said cities by virtue of his office shall be collector of the said several taxes prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation" approved the twentieth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred one.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 941 (Senate Bill No. 265), entitled

An Act authorizing Ida Collins, a resident of Somerset County, in her own right and the right of her minor children to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Somerset County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 939 (Senate Bill No. 259), entitled

An Act authorizing Lee Greenleaf, a resident of the Borough of Canton, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1203 (Senate Bill No. 474), entitled

An Act to validate tax liens filed since the twenty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, under the provisions of an act approved the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "An Act providing when, how, upon what property, and to what extent, liens shall be allowed for taxes, and for municipal improvements, and for the removal of nuisances; the procedure upon claims filed therefor; the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims; the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened, and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1057, entitled

An Act granting certain powers to cities of the second class in relation to underground tunnels, tubes and subways, including their construction, maintenance and operation, and the leasing thereof or parts thereof, and providing for the ascertaining of the damages by reason of such construction, or by reason of the taking, using or appropriating of land necessary and incidental thereto, conferring the power of eminent domain in connection therewith, and providing for the approval of the contracts provided for herein by the Public Service Commission.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1201 (Senate Bill No. 276), entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1211 (Senate Bill No. 19), entitled

An Act fixing the penalty for murder of the first degree and repealing inconsistent legislation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1215 (Senate Bill No. 489), entitled

An Act to amend part of section one of an act approved the first day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of permanent booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; regulating, requiring, and defining certain general specifications for the use and construction of portable booths or enclosures for operating therein moving-picture machines; and providing for the supervision and inspection of the same by the Department of Factory Inspection of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof; and providing that the provisions thereof shall not apply to cities of the first and second classes."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1236 (Senate Bill No. 572), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiency to the trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Farview, Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1225 (Senate Bill No. 502), entitled

An Act, entitled "An Act requiring the court committing any insane person to an institution of this Commonwealth to certify the proceedings upon which commitment was made to the superintendent of the said institution.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 940 (Senate Bill No. 262), entitled

An Act authorizing county controllers in counties having a population of more than one hundred thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint a solicitor; prescribing the duties of said solicitor and fixing his salary.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1200 (Senate Bill No. 263), entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to authorize the courts of common pleas to decree the sale of real estate held for poor purposes in the several counties, boroughs, townships and poor districts in this Commonwealth and the reinvestment of the proceeds thereof," by extending the provisions of the act to include the sale of real property of the Commonwealth reserved for the use of a poor district.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1226 (Senate Bill No. 503), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relating to the fees, salaries and duties of certain county officers in Allegheny County,' approved April sixth, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one," approved the sixth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1228 (Senate Bill No. 525), entitled

An Act to repeal section twelve of an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act aprpoved the first of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, entitled 'An Act relating to Allegheny County,' " approved the eighth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, which said section relates to the furnishing of supplies for the Allegheny County jail.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1229 (Senate Bill No. 535), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the controller and commissioners of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of bonds of said county issued in payment of subscriptions to the capital stock of certain railroad companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1230 (Senate Bill No. 536), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relating to the sinking fund of Allegheny County," approved the twelfth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1231 (Senate Bill No. 537), entitled

An Act to repeal sections one, two, three and four of the act, entitled "An Act fixing the terms of the courts of common pleas, oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace and orphans' court in the County of Allegheny and regulating proceedings therein," approved the twenty-second day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1232 (Senate Bill No. 538), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act relative to the service of summons on jurors in Allegheny County and regulating compensation" approved the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1234 (Senate Bill No. 541), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of two magistrates in the boroughs south of the Monongahela and Ohio in Allegheny County to hear and determine cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and to regulate the compensation therefor," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 947, entitled

An Act to further protect the rights and liberties of the people of this Commonwealth when under arrest in cities of the first class upon a bailable criminal charge; making its infraction a misdemeanor and providing penalties.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That upon the arrest of any person or persons with or without a warrant in cities of the first class of this Commonwealth charged with a bailable criminal offense in order to preserve and protect his her or their rights to enable him her or them to procure the witnesses in his her or their behalf and to facilitate the entry of bail for his her or their appearance before a magistrate coroner judge or the Court of Quarter Sessions and Oyer and Terminer it shall be the duty of the sheriff coroner constable police or other official making the arrest or having charge of the prisoner or prisoners to forthwith take such prisoner or prisoners to the police station house in the police district in which such prisoner or prisoners shall be arrested and to have such prisoner there held until bail shall be entered for his her or their appearance or until a preliminary hearing shall be given such prisoner or prisoners which preliminary hearing shall be given such prisoner or prisoners in the police district in which he she or they shall be arrested or in the next adjoining police district

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WOBENSMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 947, File Folio 1499, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. MILNER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 999, as follows

An Act authorizing the Governor to fill vacancies in the office of county commissioners in certain counties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all vacancies in the office of county commissioners happening by death resignation or otherwise in counties having a population of over two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and less than five hundred thousand shall be filled by appointment by the Governor of the Commonwealth for the unexpired term

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1117, entitled

An Act providing that appointive officers and employes employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or by any county or municipality thereof in its civil service, who have a wife children or parents dependents upon them for support, shall not be deemed or held to have resigned or abandoned their offices or employments by reason of enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in time of war or contemplated war; prohibiting the removal from their offices of employments of such officers and employed during the period of their service in the army or navy; directing that one half of the salaries or wages of such officers or employes not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, be paid during the term of their service in the army or navy to such dependents thereof; authorizing the employment, during said term, of substitutes to perform the duties theretofore performed by such officers or employes respectively, and providing for the compensation of such substitutes.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any appointive officer or employe regularly employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in its civil service or by any department bureau commission or office thereof or by any county or municipality within the Commonwealth shall in time of war or contemplated war enlist in the army or navy of the United States having a wife children or parents dependent upon him for support he shall be deemed or held to have thereby resigned from or abandoned his said office or employment nor shall he be removable therefrom during the period of his service in the army or navy but the duties of his said office or employment shall during said period be performed by a substitute who shall be appointed by the same authority who appointed such officer or employe if such authority shall deem the employment of such substitute necessary and such substitute shall receive so much of the salary or wages attached to said office or employment as shall not be paid to the dependent or dependents of said officer or employe as hereinafter provided and such substitute may receive such further compensation from appropriations made for that purpose or otherwise as may be required when added to the amount received under the provisions of this act to constitute a reasonable compensation for his services in the opinion of the authority appointing him

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment wil be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1 page 2, line 11, by inserting "not" after "shall."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 Any said officer or employe so enlisting and having a dependent or dependents as aforesaid may at the time of his enlistment or immediately thereafter file with the head or chief of the department bureau commission or office in which he is employed a statement in writing executed under oath setting forth the fact and date of his enlistment his intention to retain his said office or employment and to resume the duties thereof after the expiration of his service in the army or navy and the names and addresses of his wife children and dependent parent or parents if any such he have and requesting and directing that one-half of the salary or wages of his said office or employment not exceeding two thousand ($2,000.00) dollars per annum shall be paid during his service in the army or navy as follows If he have a wife to his wife for her use and that of his children if he have children and no wife then to such person as he may designate for the use and benefit of his children If he have a dependent parent or parents then he shall direct such sum as he has theretofore been accustomed to contribute to their support to be paid to them and the amount payable to his wife or children if any he have shall be proportionately decreased If he have no wife or children he may direct the entire one-half of his said salary or wages not exceeding two thousand ($2,000.00) dollars per annum to be paid to his dependent parent or parents if any such he have all sums so directed to be paid shall be paid to the person designated in the same porportional installments as nearly as may be as he salary or wages of the soldier were theretofore paid to him With such statement he shall also file powers of ttorneys authorizing the proper dependents to receive their proportion of said salary or wages as aforesaid

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2 page 4, line 5, by striking out "attorneys" and inserting in lieu thereof "attorney."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to,

The third section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 The statement required to be filed by section two of this act shall be prima facie evidence of the dependency of any person named as a dependent in said statement but the head of any department bureau commission or office may in case of doubt satisfy himself as to the fact of such dependency and if the person so nominated as a dependent was not in fact dependent upon the officer or employe enlisting in the army or navy at the time of his enlistment shall refuse to make any payment to such person on account of the salary or wages of such officer or employe Such head of a department bureau commission or office shall also satisfy himself before making payments to dependents under the provisions of this act that the officer or employe was alive during the period for which any payment is made No payment shall be made under the provisions of this act to any officer or employe enlisting as aforesaid and so much of the salary or wages of such officer or employe as is not paid under the provisions of this act to his dependents and his substitute shall be recovered back into the fund from which said salary or wages is paid

An Act providing that appointive officers and employes employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or by any county or municipality thereof in its civil service who have a wife children or parents dependents upon them for support shall not be deemed or held to have resigned or abandoned their offices or employments by reason of enlistment in the army or navy of the United States in time of war or contemplated war prohibiting the removal from their offices of employments of such officers and employed during the period of their service in the army or navy directing that one-half of the salaries or wages of such officers or employes not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum be paid during the term of their service in the army or navy to such dependents thereof authorizing the employment during said term of substitutes to perform the duties theretofore performed by such officers or employes respectively and providing for the compensation of such substitutes.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1056, as follows

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Health to accept private and philanthropic donations to assist in the care and treatment of indigent tuberculosis persons

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of Health to accept private donations of clothing furnishings or other articles which may be properly used in connection with the care and treatment of tuberculosis persons in the dispensaries and sanatoria established and maintained by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for that purpose or to receive money for the purpose of furnishing transportation to poor patients between their homes and the sanatoria or for the purchase of clothing or other necessary articles for their use

Section 2 It shall be lawful for the Commissioner of Health to accept donations of cottages to be constructed by private persons or associations on the grounds of the State sanatoria for tuberculosis provided such cottages shall be built in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Department of Health and shall after their completion be entirely under the management and control of the Commissioner of Health and shall be used as he may direct

Section 3 Any and all cottages accepted by the Commissioner of Health and constructed on the grounds of any of the sanatoria in accordance with the provisions of this act shall when completed become the absolute property of the Commonwealth and shall not be subject to any claim or demand on the part of the persons or associations contributing the same or any contractor material man or other person who might have a claim at law against the building if it had been erected on private property

Section 4 All donations of money accepted by the Commissioner of Health in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be expended for the purposes for which it was contributed and the expenditure of such money shall be accounted for by the Commissioner of Health in the same manner that expenditures of money appropriated by the Commonwealth for the same purposes is accounted for

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 950, as follows:

An Act providing for vacating part or parts of any abandoned or condemned turnpike forming part of a State highway route where the course of said route has been diverted leaving such part or parts of said turnpike outside the limits thereof and providing upon such vacation the same shall become township roads

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That when any abandoned or condemned turnpike in any of the counties of this Commonwealth became or shall hereafter become and form part of any State highway route under any act of Assembly now in force or hereafter to be passed and the State Highway Commissioner has heretofore diverted or shall hereafter divert the course of said route and leave any part or parts of such turnpike outside the limits thereof such part or parts of such turnpike may be by the court of quarter sessions of the proper county upon petition of the county commissioners and with the approval of the grand jury vacated as a county road and thereupon the same shall become and be a township road and shall be maintained by the proper township

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with.

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 399, entitled

An Act amending the first and seventeenth sections of an act approved the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities coextensive with counties for city and county purposes; imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property; providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith, and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes," relating to taxing bonds, mortgages, and other securities and also by removing the exemption of life and fire insurance corporations having no capital stock, from the provision of this act

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first section of an act approved the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act to provide revenue for State and county purposes and in cities co-extensive with counties for city and county purposes imposing taxes upon certain classes of personal property providing for the assessment and collection of the same providing for the duties and compensation of prothonotaries and recorders in connection therewith and modifying existing legislation which provided for raising revenue for State purposes" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all personal property of the classes hereinafter enumerated owned held or possessed by any person persons co-partnership or unincorporated association or company resident located or liable to taxation within this Commonwealth or by any joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation whatsoever formed or erected or incorporated by under or in pursuance of any law of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other State or government and liable to taxation within this Commonwealth whether such personal property be owned held or possessed by such person or persons co-partnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation in his her their or its own right or as active trustee agent attorney-in-fact or in any other capacity for the use benefit or advantage of any other person persons co-partnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation is hereby made taxable annually for county purposes and in cities co-extensive with counties for city and county purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the value thereof and no failure to assess or return the same shall discharge such owner or holder thereof from any liability therefor that is to say

All mortgages all moneys owing by solvent debtors whether by promissory note or penal or single bills bonds or judgment all articles of agreement and accounts bearing interest all public loans whatsoever except those issued by this Commonwealth or the United States and those made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all loans issued by any corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other State or government including car trust securities and loans secured by bonds or any other form of certificate or evidence of indebtedness whether the interest be included in the principal of the obligation or payable by the terms thereof except such loans as are made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all shares of stock in any bank corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or in any bank corporation or limited partnerships that may be liable to a tax on its share or its capital stock for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth or relieved from the payment of tax on its shares or capital stock for State purposes by the laws of the Commonwealth all moneys loaned or invested in other States Territories the District of Columbia or foreign countries all other moneyed capital in the hands of individual citizens of the State all stages omnibuses hacks cabs and other vehicles used in transporting passengers for hire except steam and street passenger railway cars owned or possessed within this Commonwealth by any person or persons by any corporate body or bodies all annuities yielding annually over two hundred dollars Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company And provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to savings institutions having no capital stock but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject and if at any time either now or hereafter any persons individuals or bodies corporate have agreed or shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from the said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them from paying the said four mills tax on any of the said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owning to the said savings institutions having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations life or fire insurance corporations having no capital stock secret and beneficial societies labor union and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received from voluntary contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or union And provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for State purposes shall not be required to make any report or pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them in their own right but corporations limited partnerships and joint-stock associations holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any manner shall return and pay the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for county purposes and in cities co-extensive with counties for city and county purposes shall be taxed or taxable for any other local purposes or for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all personal property of the classes hereinafter enumerated owned held or possessed by any person persons co-partnership or unincorporated association or company resident located or liable to taxation within this Commonwealth or by any joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation whatsoever formed erected or incorporated by under or in pursuance of any law of this Commonwealth or of the

United States or of any other state or government and liable to taxation within this Commonwealth whether such personal property be owned held or possessed by such person or persons co-partnership unincorporated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation in his her their or its own right or as active trustee agent attorney-in-fact or in any other person persons co-partnership unincoroprated association company joint-stock company or association limited partnership bank or corporation is hereby made taxable annually for county purposes and in cities co-extensive with counties for city and county purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the value thereof No failure to assess or return the same shall discharge such owner or holder thereof from liability therefor that is to say

"All mortgages all moneys owning by solvent debtors whether by promissory note or penal or single bill bond or judgment all articles of agreement and accounts bearing interest all public loans whatsoever except those issued by this Commonwealth or the United States and those made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all loans issued by any corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government including car trust securities and loans secured by bonds or any other form of certificates or evidence of indebtedness whether the interest be included in the principal of the obligation or payable by the terms thereof except such loans as are made taxable for State purposes by section seventeen hereof all shares of stock in any bank corporation association company or limited partnership created or formed under the laws of this Commonwealth or of the United States or of any other state or government except shares of stock in any bank corporation or limited partnership that may be liable to a tax on its share or its capital stock for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth or relieved from the payment of tax on its shares or capital stock for State purposes by the laws of the Commonwealth all moneys loaned or invested in other states territory the District of Columbia or foreign countries all other moneyed capital in the hands of individual citizens of the State all stages omnibusses hacks cabs and other vehicles used in transporting passengers for hire except steam and street passenger railways cars owned used or possessed within this Commonwealth by any person or persons or by any corporate body or bodies all annuities yielding annually over two hundred dollars Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company And provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to saving institutions having no capital stock but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject and if at any time either now or hereafter any persons individuals or bodies corporate have agreed or shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from the said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them from paying the said four mills tax on any of the said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owing to the said savings institutions having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations secret and beneficial societies labor unions and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received voluntarily contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or unions And provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for state purposes shall not be required to make any report or pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them and in which the whole body of stockholders or members as such have the entire equitable interest in remainder but corporations limited partnerships and joint stock associations holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner then for the whole body of stockholders or members thereof as sole equitable owners in remainder shall return and pay the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so owned or held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for county purposes and in cities co-extensive with counties for city and county purposes shall be taxed or taxable for any other local purposes or for State purposes under the laws of this Commonwealth

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. GANS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 3, line 10, by striking out "any."

Amend section 1, page 3, line 12, by striking out "bills bonds" and inserting in lieu thereof "bill bond."

Amend section 1, page 3, line 28, by inserting after "or" following "United States" the following: "Of any other State or government except shares of stock."

Amend section 1, page 3, line 29, by striking out "partnerships" and inserting in lieu thereof "partnership."

Amend section 1, page 4, line 1, by striking out "share" and inserting in lieu thereof "shares."

Amend section 1, page 4, line 10, by inserting "used" after "owned."

Amend section 1, page 4, line 11, by inserting "or" after "persons."

Amend section 1, page 5, line 4, by striking out "savings institutions" and inserting in lieu thereof "saving institution."

Amend section 1, page 5, line 8, by striking out "union" and inserting in lieu thereof "unions."

Amend section 1, page 5, line 20, by inserting "other" before "manner."

Amend section 1, page 6, line 1, by striking out "be and the same" and the words "so as."

Amend section 1, page 6, line 8, by striking out "co-partenrship" and inserting in lieu thereof "co-partnership."

Amend section 1, page 6, line 27, by inserting "and" after "thereof."

Amend section 1, page 8, line 1, by striking out "railways" and inserting in lieu thereof "railway."

Amend section 1, page 8, line 9, by striking out "saving" and inserting in lieu thereof "savings."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 Be it enacted that section seventeen of said act which reads as follows "Section seventeen That all scrip bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by any and every private corporation incorporated or created under the laws of this Commonwealth or the laws of any other State or the United States and doing business in this Commonwealth and all scrip bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by any county city borough township school district or incorporated district of this Commonwealth are hereby made taxable in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen and annually thereafter for State purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the nominal value thereof Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company And provided That the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to savings institutions having no capital stock but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject and if at any time either now or hereafter any person individuals or bodies corporate have agreed or shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from the said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them from paying the said four mills tax on any of said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owing to the said savings institution having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations life or fire insurance corporations having no capital stock secret and beneficial societies labor union and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received from voluntary contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or unions And provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for State purposes shall not be required to pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them in their own right but corporations limited partnerships and joint stock associations holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner shall be liable for the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so held by them as in the case of individuals And provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for State purposes shall be taxed or taxable for county school or other local purposes" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

"Section 17 That all scrip bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by any and every private corporation incorporated or created under the laws of this Commonwealth or the laws of any other State or of the United States and doing business in the Commonwealth and all scrip bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by any county city borough township school district or incorporated district of this Commonwealth are hereby made taxable in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen and annually thereafter for State purposes at the rate of four mills on each dollar of the nominal value thereof Provided That this section shall not apply to bank notes or notes discounted or negotiated by any bank or banking institution savings institution or trust company and provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to building and loan associations or to savings institutions having no capital stock but nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve or exempt individual depositors in

savings institutions having no capital stock from any taxation to which such depositors may be subject and if at any time either now or hereafter any persons individuals or bodies corporate have agreed to shall hereafter agree to issue his their or its securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness clear of and free from said four mills tax herein provided for or have agreed or shall hereafter agree to pay the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to relieve or exempt him it or them paying the said four mills tax on any of the said such securities bonds or other evidences of indebtedness as may be held owned by or owing to the said saving institution having no capital stock And provided further That the provisions of this act shall not apply to fire companies firemen's relief associations secret and beneficial societies labor unions and labor union relief associations and all beneficial organizations paying sick or death benefits or either or both from funds received from voluntary contributions or assessments upon members of such associations societies or unions and Provided further That corporations limited partnerships and joint stock associations liable to tax on capital stock for State purposes shall not be required to pay any further tax under this section on the mortgages bonds and other securities owned by them and in which the whole body of stockholders or members as such have the entire equitable interest in remainder but corporations limited partnerships and joint stock associations owing or holding such securities as trustees executors administrators guardians or in any other manner than for the whole body of stockholders or members thereof as sole equitable owners in remainder shall be liable for the tax imposed by this section upon all securities so owned or held by them as in the case of individuals and Provided further That none of the classes of property made taxable by this section for State purposes shall be taxed or taxable for county school or other local purposes

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. CANS: Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 9, line 28, by inserting "of" after "or."

Amend section 2, page 10, line 16, by inserting "at" after "if."

Amend section 2, page 10, line 23, by inserting "so" before "construed."

Amend section 2, page 13, line 24, by inserting "the" before "said."

Amend section 2, page 11, line 2, by striking out "union" before "and" and inserting in lieu thereof "unions."

Amend section 2, page 11, line 19, by striking out "be and the same."

Amend section 2, page 11, line 22, by striking out "indbetedness" and inserting in lieu thereof "indebtedness."

Amend section 2, page 11, line 25, by striking out "the" and inserting "this."

Amend section 2, page 12, line 19, by inserting "from" after "them."

Amend section 3, page 13, line 18, by striking out "incuosistent" and inserting in lieu thereof "inconsistent."

Amend section 2, page 13, line 24, by inserting "the" before "said."

Amend section 2, page 12, by inserting after the word "Societies" in line 25, the words "Mutual Fire Insurance Companies."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the amendments and the bill be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. REICHENBACKER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER declared the "ayes" seem to have it.

Whereupon, a division was called for, 124 gentlemen or more than a majority of whole House having voted in affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the question was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 40, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twelfth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act establishing a court for the county of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof"

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act approved the twelfth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and power providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof" which reads as follows

Section 2 The judges of said court shall be learned in the law and shall be elected by the fully qualified electors of said county for terms of ten years if they so long behave themselves well

The president judge shall receive a salary of six thousand five hundred ($6,500.00) dollars per annum and the associate judge shall receive salaries of six thousand dollars payable by the State in the same manner that the salaries of the judges of the courts of common pleas are paid The term of office of the judges of the court shall begin on the first Monday of January following their election

The first judges of the said court shall be elected at the general election held in November one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

In the event of a vacancy in the office of judge or when by reason of a new United States census more judges are to be chosen the Governor shall appoint judges to hold office until such time as their successors shall be elected as provided by the Constitution of the State in such case and their successors shall be elected to the full term of ten years

The Governor upon the first election of judges as aforesaid shall designate one of their number to be president judge and shall after the election aforesaid and from time to time when a vacancy occurs in the office of president judge either by expiration of his term or for other reason designate one of the judges to be president judge

It shall be unlawful for any judge of the said court to practice law during his continuance in office" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 The judges of said court shall be learned in the law and shall be elected by the duly qualified electors of said county for terms of ten years if they so long behave themselves well

The president judge shall receive a salary of nine thousand ($9,000.00) dollars per annum and the associate judges shall receive salaries of eight thousand ($8,000.00) dollars per annum payable by the State in the same manner that the salaries of the judges of the courts of common pleas are paid The term of office of the judges of the court shall begin on the first Monday of January following their election

The first judges of the said court shall be elected at the general election held in November one thousand nine hundred and thirteen

In the event of a vacancy in the office of judge or when by reason of a new United States census more judges are to be chosen the Governor shall appoint judges to hold office until such time as their successors shall be elected as provided by the Constitution of the State in such case and their successors shall be elected to the full term of ten years

The Governor upon the first election of judges as aforesaid shall designate one of their number to be president judge and shall after the election aforesaid and from time to time when a vacancy occurs in the office of president judge either by expiration of his term or for other reasons designate one of the judges to be president judge

It shall be unlawful for any judge of the said court to practice law during his continuance in office

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BRADY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1 ,line 7, by striking out "power" and inserting in lieu thereof "powers."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 4, by striking out "fully" and inserting in lieu thereof "duly."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 9, by striking out "Judge" and inserting in lieu thereof "Judges."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read and agreed to as follows:

The title was read as follows:

Section 2 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act amending an act approved the twelfth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia prescribing its jurisdiction and powers providing for the service of its writs process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. BRADY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend last line of title by inserting after the word thereof" the following words "by increasing the amount of salary to be paid to the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to,

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1071, as follows

An Act granting to the Borough of Norristown a right of way over the lands of the State Hospital for the Insane of the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania at Norristown and providing for the payment of damages

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania subject to the approval of the trustees of said State Hospital be and the same is hereby granted to the borough of Norristown to lay out construct and maintain a road over the land of the State Hospital for the Insane of the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania located at Norristown in the County of Montgomery

Section 2 Said road shall not exceed fifty feet in width and shall be laid out and constructed as shown on the plan of the proposed road over the following course

Beginning at stake in Stanbridge Street two hundred and ninety-three (293) feet south of the south house line of Roberts Street as laid out by the State Commissioner in one thousand eight hundred fifty-three This stake being twenty-five (25) feet at right angles to the east house line of Stanbridge Street station 0 thence with a radius of two hundred and thirty feet (230) in a northerly direction a distance of one hundred thirty-seven and five-tenth feet (137.5) to a stake station one plus thirty-seven and five tenth (37.5) set on the west house line of the said Stanbridge Street which point is aslo one hundred and sixty-five feet (165) from the south house line of the said Roberts Street thence over land now or late of the Jacob Moyer Estate on the same curved line to the northwesterly and with the same radius of two hundred and thirty feet (230) a distance on the center line of twenty feet (20) to the property line of the State Hospital for the Insane station one plus fifty-seven and five tenth (57.5) which point is the real beginning of the proposed road for the purpose of this act the foregoing being given simply as a means of determining the place where said road shall enter the land of said state hospital thence continuing on this curved line with a radius of two hundred and thirty feet (230) and over land of the said State Hospital in a northwesterly direction a distance of two hundred and twenty-three and five tenth (223.5) feet to the end of this curve station three plus eighty-one which point is to be twenty-five feet (25) from the present fence line on property of the said State Hospital thence parallel to the said fence and continuing in a straight line twenty-five feet (25) from the said fence in a northwestwardly direction a distance of one hundred and forty-three feet (143) to a point of curve to the right station five plus twenty-four thence by this curved line with a radius of two hundred feet (200) and still over lands of the said State Hospital a distance of four hundred twenty-eight and five-tenth feet (428.5) to the end of this curve station nine plus fifty-two and five-tenth thence in an easterly direction by a straight line twenty-nine feet to a point of curve to the right station nine plus eighty-one and five-tenth thence by this curve to the right with a radius of one hundred and ninety-six feet (196) a distance of one hundred and two feet (102) to a point of compound curve station ten plus eighty-three and five-tenth thence from this point of compound curve with a radius of two hundred and seventy-five feet (275) a distance of one hundred and three feet (103) to the end of this curve station eleven plus eighty-six and five-tenth thence by a straight line in a southeasterly direction a distance of two hundred and seventy-two feet (272) to a point of curve to the left station fourteen plus fifty-eight and five-tenth thence by this curve to the left and with a radius of one hundred sixty-two and five-tenth feet (162.5) a distance of one hundred twenty-four and five-tent feet (124.5) to a stake station fifteen plus eighty-three set on the west side of the said Stanbridge street and is the end of the proposed road in so far as it effects the land of said State Hospital This last stake is located one hundred and sixty-four feet (164) south of the south side of Logan street as laid out on the plan of the State Commissioners in one thousand eight hundred fifty-three containing in area seventy-one thousand and fourteen square feet or one and sixty-three hundredths acres of land of said State Hospital

Section 3 Said road shall be constructed and maintained at the expense of said Borough of Norristown and all damages that said State Hospital may suffer by reason of the construction and use of said road except for the use of the land covered by said road shall be fixed in the same manner as damages are now fixed in opening streets and shall be paid to the Trustees of said State Hospital to be used by them in such manner as they think proper

Section 4 Nothing herein contained shall be construed to confer more than a grant of a right of way over the land of said State Hospital

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1247, as follows

An Act to amend fifth clause of section three of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act relating to food defining food providing for the protection of the public health and the prevention of fraud and deception by prohibiting the manufacture or sale the offering for sale or exposing for sale or the having in possession with intent to sell of adulterated misbranded or deleterious foods prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto and providing penalties for the violation thereof"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the fifth clause of section three of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act relating to food defining food providing for the protection of the public health and the prevention of fraud and deception by prohibiting the manufacture or sale the offering for sale or exposing for sale or the having in possession with intent to sell of adulterated misbranded or deleterious food prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto and providing penalties for the violation thereof" which reads as follows

"Fifth If it contains any added sulphurous acid sulphur dioxide or sulphites benzoate acid or benzoates except as hereafter provided or if it contains any added boric acid or borates salicylic acid or salicylates formaldehyde hydrofiouric acid or flourides fluoborates fluosilicates or other flourine compounds dulcin glucin saccharin alum compounds of copper betanapthol hydro napthol abrastol asaprol oxides of nitrogen nitrous acid or nitrites pyroligneous acid or other added ingredients deleterious to health or if in the case of confectionery it contains any of the substances mentioned in this paragraph or any mineral substance or injurious color or fiavor alcoholic liquor or any other ingredient not herein mentioned deleterious to health Providing That this act shall not be construed to prohibit the use of harmless colors of any kind in confectionery when used for coloring and not for any fraudulent purpose And providing further That nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit the use of common salt sugar pure corn syrup pure glucose wine vinegar cider vinegar malt vinegar sugar vinegar glucose vinegar distilled vinegar spices or their essential oils alcohol (except in confectionery) edible oils edible fats wood smoke applied directly as generated or proper refrigeration And provided further That in the manufacture of confectionery the use of alcohol shall be permitted a sit may be found in customary alcoholic tinctures or extracts used for flavoring purposes only and as a solvent for glazes and that oil of sweet birch or methyl-salicylic ester may be used as a substitute for oil of wintergreen as a flavor And provided further That in the preparation of dried fruit and molasses sulphur dioxide either free or in simple combination may be used in such quantities as will not render said dried fruits or molasses deleterious to health and that sodium benzoate may be used

in the preparation of those articles of food in which it has heretofore been generally used in quantities not exceeding one-tenth (1-10) of one per centum of benzoic acid equivalent thereto And provided further That when any quantity of sodium benzoate is used in any article of food or any quantity of sulphur dioxide has been used in the preparation thereof shall be plainly stated on each package of such food" is hereby amended to read as follows

Fifth If it contains any added sulphurous acid sulphur dioxide or sulphites benzoate or benzoates except as hereafter provided or if it contains any added boric acid or borates salicylic acid or salicylates formaldehyde hydrofluoric acid or fluorides fluoborates fluosilicates or other fluorine compounds dulcin glucin saccharin alum compounds of copper betanapthol hydronapthol abrastol asaprol oxides of nitrogen nitrous acid or nitrites pyroligneous acid or other added ingredients deleterious to health or if in the case of confectionery it contains any of the substances mentioned in this paragraph or any mineral substance or injurious color or flavor alcoholic liquor or any other ingredient not herein mentioned deleterious to health Providing That this act shall not be construed to prohibit the use of harmless colors of any kind in confectionery when used for coloring and not for any fraudulent purposes And provided further That nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit the use of common salt sugar pure corn syrup pure glucose wine vinegar cider vinegar malt vinegar sugar vinegar glucose vinegar distilled vinegar spices or their essential oils alcohol (except in confectionery) edible oils edible fats wood smoke applied directly as generated or proper refrigeration And provided further That in the manufacture of confectionery the use of alcohol shall be permitted as it may be found in customary alcoholic tinctures or extracts used for flavoring purposes only and as a solvent for glazes and that oil of sweet birch or methyl-salicylic ester may be used as a substitute for oil of wintergreen as a flavor And provided further That in the preparation of dried fruit and molasses sulphur dioxide either free or in simple combination may be used in such quantities as will not render dried fruits or molasses deleterious to health and that sodium benzoate may be used in the preparation of those articles of food in which it has heretofore been generally used in quantities not exceeding one-tenth (1-10) of one per centum or benzoic acid equivalent thereto And provided further That when any quantity of sodium benzoate is used in any article of food or any quantity of sulphur dioxide is used in the preparation of dried fruits or molasses the fact that sodium benzoates or sulphur dioxide has been used in the preparation thereof shall be plainly state on each package of such food And provided further That in the milling and manufacturing of flour from cereal grains the electrical or other ageing and curing process may be used in such form and quantities as will not render flour treated deleterious to health the fact that such ageing and curing process has been used shall be plainly stated on each package of such flour

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 485, as follows

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section four article six of the Constitution of Pennsylvania relating to the removal of appointed officers

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof

Section 2 Amend section four article six of the Constitution which reads as follows

"Section 4 All officers shall hold their offices on the condition that they behave themselves well while in office and shall be removed on conviction of misbehavior in office or of any infamous crime Appointed officers other than judges of the courts of record and the Superintendent of Public Instruction may be removed at the pleasure of the power by which they shall have been appointed All officers elected by the people except Governor Lieutenant Governor members of the General Assembly and judges of the courts of record learned in the law shall be removed by the Governor for reasonable cause after due notice and full hearing on the address of two-thirds of the Senate" so as to read as follows

Section 4 All officers shall hold their offices on the condition that they behave themselves well while in office and shall be removed on conviction of misbehavior in office or of any infamous crime Appointed officers other than judges of the courts of record and the Superintendent of Public Instruction may be removed for just cause by the power by which they shall have been appointed subject to such restrictions as to method of removal as the Legislature may prescribe All officers elected by the people except Governor Lieutenant Governor members of the General Assembly and Judges of the courts of record learned in the law shall be removed by the Governor for reasonable cause after due notice and full hearing on the address of two-thirds of the Senate

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 486, as follows

An Act prohibiting political activity by appointed officers clerks and employes of cities of the first class prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof giving taxpayers a right of action to restrain payment of compensation to persons violating this act and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no officer clerk or employe of any city of the first class or of any department trust or commission thereof shall be a member of or a delegate or alternate to any political convention nor shall he be present at any such convention except in the performance of his official duty nor shall he serve as a member of or attend the meetings of any committee of any political party or take any active part in political management or in political campaigns or use his office or position to influence political movements or influence the political action of any other officer clerk or employe of any such city department trust or commission nor shall he circulate or seek signatures to any nomination or other petition provided for by any primary or election law nor shall he permit the use of his name as a candidate for nomination or election to any public office nor shall he seek or accept election nomination or appointment as an officer of a political club or organization or serve as a member of a committee of any such club or organization nor shall he in any manner participate in or interfere with the conduct of any election or the preparation therefor at the polling place or with the election officers while counting the vote or returning the election material to the place provided by law for that purpose save only for the purpose of marking and depositing his own ballot as speedily as it reasonably can be done nor shall he be within a polling place or within fifty feet thereof except for purpose of ordinary travel or residence during the period of time beginning with one hour preceding the opening of the polls for holding such election and ending within the time when the election officers shall have finished counting the votes and have left the polling place for the purpose of depositing the election material in the place provided by law for that purpose excepting only police officers who may temporarily approach or enter the polling place in order to make any arrest permitted by law or for the purpose of preserving order and in each such case only long enough to accomplish the duties aforesaid after which the said officers shall at once withdraw

Section 2 Any appointed officer clerk or employe of any city of the first class or of any department trust or commission thereof violating any of the provisions of this act shall be immediately separated from the service It shall be the duty of the mayor or of the head of the department trust or commission in which the offending person is employed to dismiss him at once and any taxpayer may bring action to restrain the payment of compensation to any such appointed officer clerk or employe who has violated any of the provisions of this act

Section 3 The procedure required for the removal or punishment of policemen and firemen as provided in article three section one of the act of June one one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five relating to the government of cities of the first class shall not apply in the case of the violation of any of the provisions of this act

Section 4 Any person who shall violate or conspire to violate any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall on conviction thereof be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court

Section 5 The invalidity of any portnon of this act shall in no wise affect the validity of any other portion thereof which can be given effect without such invalid portion

Section 9 All laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

It was not agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1001, entitled

An Act to amend part of section two of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one entitled "An Act to enable the Governor to appoint notaries public and for other purposes therein mentioned"

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of section two of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one (three Smith's Laws Pamphlet Laws six) entitled "An Act to enable the Governor to appoint notaries public and for other purposes therein mentioned" which reads as follows

"Section 2 The Governor shall appoint and commission a competent number of persons of known good character integrity and abilities as notaries-public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to reside within such place or places within this State as the Governor shall in and by the respective commissions direct Provided that no person shall be commissioned as a notary who shall not have resided within this Commonwealth two years next previous to his appointment" is amended to read as follows

Section 2 The Governor shall appoint and commission a competent number of persons of known good character integrity and abilities as notaries public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to reside within such place or places within this State as the Governor shall in and by the respective commissions direct Provided that no person shall be commissioned as a notary who shall not have resided within this Commonwealth one year next previous to his appointment

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend by inserting after the word "year" "and shall have been a citizen of the United States two years."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend part of section two of an act approved the fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one entitled "An Act to enable the Governor to appoint notaries public and for other purposes therein mentioned"

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 490, as follows

An Act prohibiting the solicitation payment or receipt in any public building belonging to any city of the first class of any money or valuable thing for political purposes prohibiting the solicitation or receipt by or from officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes prohibiting the payment by officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes prescribing dismissal from public offices as a penalty for violation thereof prescribing methods of enforcing this penalty and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That no person shall solicit pay give or receive in any public building belonging to any city of the first class any money or valuable thing for any political purpose whatever

Section 2 No person shall orally or by written or printed communication directly or indirectly demand solicit collect or receive or be in any manner concerned in demanding soliciting collecting or receiving any money or valuable thing or any assessment subscription or contribution whether voluntary or involuntary from any officer clerk or employes of any city of the first class or of any department trust or commission thereof for any political purpose whatever

Section 3 No officer clerk or employe of any city of the first class or of any department trust or commission thereof shall orally or by written or printed communication directly or indirectly demand solicit collect or receive or be in any manner concerned in demanding soliciting collecting or receiving any money or valuable thing or any assessment subscription or contribution whether voluntary or involuntary for any political purpose whatever

Section 4 No officer clerk or employe of any city of the first class or of any department trust or commission thereof shall pay or give any money or valuable thing or make any subscription or contribution whether voluntary or involuntary for any political purpose whatever

Section 5 Any appointed officer clerk or employe of any city of the first class or of any department trust or commission thereof violating any of the provisions of this act shall be immediately separated from the service It shall be the duty of the mayor or of the head of the department trust or commission in which the offending person is employed to dismiss him at once and any taxpayer may bring action to restrain the payment of compensation to any such appointed officer clerk or employe who has violated any of the provisions of this act

Section 6 The procedure required for the removal or punishment of policemen and firemen as provided in article III section I of the act of June first one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five relating to the government of cities of the first class shall not apply in the case of the violation of any of the provisions of this act

Section 7 Any person who shall violate or conspire to violate any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall on conviction thereof be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court

Section 8 The invalidity of any portion of this act shall in no wise affect the vadility of any other portion thereof which can be given effect without such invalid portion

Section 9 All laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And the said bill having been read at length the second time,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Beyer and Mr. Stern and were as follows:

YEAS—93.

Albee,	Graeff,	Miller, A. D.,	Siggins,
Baldridge,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Haight,	Milliron,	Smith, E. R.,
Beyer,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Snowden,
Bovee,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Brady,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Christman,	Hough,	Powell,	Sullivan,
Dunn,	Jennings,	Ramsey,	Swartz,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Ringler,	Thomas,
Dawson,	Lafferty,	Rininger,	Urich,
Dell,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Vogdes,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Ross,	Weimer,
Donneley,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	West,
Drake,	Lohr,	Rudisill,	Whitaker,
Ehrhardt,	Luppert,	Sampsel,	Wickman,
Fitzgibbon,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Williams, J. P.,
Flynn,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wood,
Fretz,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Gans,	McKinney,	Shunk,	Zanders,
Goodwin,			

NAYS—47.

Arthur,	Curry,	Jack,	Reitzel,
Baldi,	Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Rhoads, H. L.,
Bennett,	Dunn,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,
Benninger,	Franklin,	McKay,	Smith, F. I.,
Bidelspacher,	Geary,	McNichol,	Smith, O. W.,
Chestnut,	Glass,	Mehring,	Snyder,
Coldsmith,	Golder,	Milner,	Sterling,
Conner,	Goodnough,	Mitchell,	Stites,
Cook,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sweitzer,
Corbin,	Horne,	Ogden,	Walker,
Cox,	Howarth,	Phillips,	Wobensmith,
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	

So the question was determined in the affirmative, and the bill was agreed to on second reading.

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for a third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution of the House of Representatives as follows:

In the House of Representatives, April 9, 1917.

Expressing the Sympathy, Friendship and Goodwill of this State to Russia in her substitution of Democracy for Autocracy.

Whereas, The people of Russia have taken the government of that country into their own hands and have substituted a Democracy for an Autocracy; and

Whereas, We wish to rejoice with Russia, the oft-proved friend of this country, that she has ranged herself on the side of enlightened freedom and liberty which have been paid for by the lives of thousands of her bravest and best; Therefore, be it

Resolved, If the Senate concur, That this General Assembly expressing the sentiments of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and of her sister states, rejoices with Russia that she has made her dream of Democracy come true and bespeaks for her the aid and encouragement of the liberty-loving people of our nation; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by His Excellency the Governor under the seal of the Commonwealth to the President of the Duma of Russia.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to and (at 11.45 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

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SENATE.

TUESDAY, April 10, 1917.

The Senate met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank Thee for this beautiful morning, for the preservation of our lives and for the spirit of brotherhood spreading abroad among out fellow-men. We thank Thee for all the blessings with which we are endowed and we pray that whatever obligations may come to us and whatever opportunities may be opened we may immediately address ourselves to them with the thought that we will be commended by Thee and that we will help our fellow-men. We ask Thy blessing upon this great Commonwealth and may it respond magnificently as it has always done to the unusual needs of our country. We ask in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the receding session, when, on motion of Mr. SALUS, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both Houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 33, entitled

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" by adding thereto sections 635 to 640 both inclusive.

Senate Bill No. 87, entitled

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington township county of Erie to bring suits in the court of common pleas of Erie county against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State police force as amended.

Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb a resident of Dauphin county Pennsylvania to bring suit against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. PHIPPS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 782 (House Bill No. 775), entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the courts of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia in accordance with article five section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 670, entitled

An Act to increase the powers of courts in proceedings for desertion and non-support of wives, children or aged parents, and in proceedings for failure to comply with orders of court in fornication and bastardy proceedings or other proceedings for the support of illegitimate children; directing that imprisonment in such cases be at hard labor in such institution as the court shall name; providing for the payment by such institution, or in certain cases by the county from which the defendant was committed, of the sum of sixty-five cents per day, to be paid to the person designated by the order of the court; providing for the issuance of attachments and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeiture of bonds, bail bonds or recognizances; and providing for the payment by the county of the expenses incident to carrying out this act.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 521 (House Bill No. 308), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by an animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

Mr. HINDMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 508, entitled

An Act regulating the fees of Notaries Public.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 755 (House Bill No. 8), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school district, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the 20th day of April, Anno Domini 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

Mr. BUCKMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 710, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-six, entitled "An Act relating to appeals in cases of summary convictions."

Also from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 691 (House Bill No. 856), entitled

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State Asylum for the Chronic Insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor" as amended fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

Mr. LEIBY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 494, entitled

An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas to order the sale, in certain cases, to transfer to remainder interest, of real property devised by will to a person or persons for life with a vested remainder to others.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 792, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the several counties of this Commonwealth to locate, lay out, open, construct and maintain public bridges whether wholly or partly within any city, borough or township therein, across any river or stream dividing or separating any part of said county from any other part thereof, together with the necessary bridge approaches, viaduct or other approaches. to conveniently connect the same with existing streets or public roads in such cities, boroughs or townships; authorizing the cities and boroughs wherein such bridges are located, to share in the cost thereof and to provide approaches therefor; authorizing the taking and appropriation of property and rights of property, public or private, for such purposes; providing a method for making compensation for property taken, injured or destroyed thereby; authorizing the several counties to enter upon and over public streets or roads in cities, boroughs or townships for said purposes; authorizing the several counties to appropriate money, levy taxes and incur indebtedness therefor; and authorizing the several counties to charge and collect tolls and rentals for the concurrent use of such bridges and approaches by street railway, telegraph, telephone or other corporations or persons making use thereof other than for ordinary foot or vehicle traffic and to enter into contracts for such use.

Also from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed resolution of the House of Representatives as follows:

Whereas An effort is being made throughout the United States of America to amply prepare this country against any contingency which may arise and defend it against the invasion of any foe therefore

Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania That it is the sense of this body that one of the first steps toward the protection of this Commonwealth and the rendering of aid to the Federal Government will be the completion of those trans-Pennsylvania thoroughfares which are part of the transcontinental systems connecting the eastern and western coasts the construction of which would aid materially in the transportation of troops and munitions of war if the occasion for such transportation arose.

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, re-reported as amended Senate Bill No. 708, entitled

A supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" approved the twenty-ninth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-four providing for the incorporation and regulation of telephone companies defining the rights powers and privileges of such corporations conferring upon them the right of eminent domain and regulating the exercise thereof authorizing and regulating the purchase acquisition and leasing of the properties systems and securities of other like corporations associations and persons engaged in the telephone business authorizing existing corporations engaged in the telephone business of furnishing telephone service to accept the provisions of this act.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 776, entitled

An Act relating to free public non-sectarian libraries and branch libraries within this Commonwealth; providing for their establishment, maintenance and regulation and for the maintenance and regulation of such free public non-sectarian libraries as may have been already established by the several counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships; and providing that all library property and all gifts, devises, grants or endowments for library purposes shall be exempt from taxation, and providing that the several counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships may levy taxes, condemn private property and borrow money for library purposes and imposing penalties for injuring library property and for violations of library regulations and repealing existing laws in relation to the above subjects.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. WHITTEN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 811, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the several counties of this Commonwealth to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of children under the jurisdiction of the Courts of Quarter Session of the Peace or other courts sitting as Juvenile Courts, and to acquire land there for by purchase or by condemnation, defining the scope and character of such schools, regulating the proceedings for the establishment, maintenance and management thereof, authorizing the County Commissioners to make appropriations, levy taxes and to incur indebtedness therefor, and providing that all such schools heretofore established by any county shall be continued and maintained under the authority of this act, removing the persons in charge thereof and providing that any property heretofore acquired for any such schools shall be held and used for the schools provided for in this act.

Which was committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. McKEE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 812, entitled

An Act fixing the residence of the Warden of the county jail or prison in counties of this Commonwealth where the government of such jail or prison is or may hereafter be vested in a prison board.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 813, entitled

An Act relating to the assessment and payment of damages to owners of property abutting on State Highways in certain counties, damaged by a change of the existing lines and location of such State Highway; imposing certain powers and duties upon the Highway Commissioner and the county commissioners, and providing for the payment of such damages by such counties.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. BUCKMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 814, entitled

An Act authorizing any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacturing, purchasing and selling of rubber boots, shoes, tires and goods of which rubber, caucho, gutta percha, balata, or any of their substitutes are a component part, and the various materials entering into the manufacturing of any and all such goods, to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to have and to hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. DAIX read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 815, entitled

An Act prohibiting the Commissioner of Banking, Deputy Commissioner of Banking, Examiners and all other attaches of the State Banking Department from borrowing money from, giving, endorsing or guaranteeing notes to be discounted by or deposited with, any bank, trust company or other financial institution or building association subject to the supervision of said Department and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Which was committed to the Committee on Banks and Building and Loan Associations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 816, entitled

An Act providing for the formation and regulation of stock corporations having either or both preferred or common shares without nominal or par value and authorizing such corporations to issue shares without par value upon formation, reorganization, merger or consolidation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. KLINE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 817, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini nineteen hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act establishing in counties con-

taining a population of from eight hundred thousand to one million four hundred thousand, a Board for the assessment and revision of taxes for State and county purposes, prescribing the method of their appointment, their powers and duties; fixing their salary, to be paid by the proper county; and abolishing the office of ward, borough and township assessors, in so far as respects the assessment of state and county taxes" by changing the pay of subordinate assessors from four to (five) dollars per day.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

RESOLUTION REQUIRING THE STATE ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION TO LAY BEFORE THE SENATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA A REPORT MADE BY ITS SOLICITOR.

Mr. EYRE offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Whereas, The Economy and Efficiency Commission created by a concurrent resolution, entitled "A concurrent resolution providing for the continuance of the investigation into the number, character, duties, and compensation of persons in the employ of the State Government, and the methods for disbursing and accounting for State funds, and the preparation and tabulation of data and statistics of comparative costs in the departments, bureaus, commissions, boards of trustees and other persons in charge of institutions owned and controlled by the State Government, and directing the co-operation of the various State departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, board of trustees and other persons in charge of institutions owned and controlled by the State," approved the seventeenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, has filed a report with the General Assembly embodying certain recommendations in the interest of economy and efficiency in the management of the affairs of the State Government; and

Whereas, In the interest of public policy and for their guidance and enlightenment, the members of the Senate feel that they should have before them all possible information concerning the investigations of the Economy and Efficiency Commission;

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved, That the members of the Economy and Efficiency Commission be and are hereby directed to send to the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania not later than Tuesday, April tenth, the full report submitted to them by their solicitors who conducted their investigations and based his recommendations upon his intimate knowledge of the management of public affairs obtained thereby.

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITIZENS ENGAGED IN AGRICULTURE IN THIS COMMONWEALTH TO USE EVERY WISE EFFORT TO STIMULATE THE PRODUCTION OF FOOD SUPPLIES UPON THEIR FARMS.

Mr. R. E. SMITH offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Whereas, The United States of America being now involved in the mightiest armed conflict of the world's history, and one which calls for the efficient marshaling of the resources of the nation and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

Whereas, In view of the starving multitudes in Belgium and parts of France and in view of the present shortage of food stuffs throughout this country and the world, it is of the utmost importance that the production of the same be increased to the greatest possible extent in order to meet the requirements of the nation and its allies engaged in this struggle for free government; therefore

Be it resolved (if the House concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania that those of our citizens engaged in agriculture in this Commonwealth be hereby urged to use every wise effort to stimulate the production of food supplies upon their farms, and the General Assembly does hereby appeal to the agriculturalists of this Commonwealth to accept the responsibility for producing, so far as possible, greater food resources as an imperative and a patriotic duty, the fulfillment of which is of vital importance to the welfare of our people and to the effective prosecution of the war.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to proper committee, be dispensed with, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO COMPLETION OF THE TRANS-PENNSYLVANIA THOROUGHFARES.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to lie over one day, be dispensed with, in order that the Senate may now proceed to the consideration of resolution of the House of Representatives No. 12, reported from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways this morning, as follows:

Whereas, An effort is being made throughout the United States of America to amply prepare this country against any contingency which may arise and defend it against the invasion of any foe, therefore

Be it resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, That it is the sense of this body that one of the first steps toward the protection of this Commonwealth and the rendering of aid to the Federal Government will be the completion of those trans-Pennsylvania thoroughfares which are part of the transcontinental systems connecting the eastern and western coasts the construction of which would aid materially in the transportation of troops and munitions of war if the occasion of such transportation arose.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 53, as follows:

An Act authorizing trustees guardians and other fiduciaries to sell assign alter modify or supplement coal mining leases with the approval of the court having jurisdiction of their accounts

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act any trustee guardian or other fiduciary having an interest in any coal mining lease may sell assign and with the consent of the lessees thereof alter or modify or such supplement coal mining lease with the approval of the court having jurisdiction of the accounts of such fiduciary

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 325, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for the sale, distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of unclaimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FNIAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 375, as follows:

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eleven hundred and thirty of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1130 The minimum salary of each assistant county superintendent shall be twelve hundred dollars ($1,200.00) per year which shall be paid out of the State appropriation for public schools in such payments and manner as the county superintendents are paid The salaries of additional assistant county superintendents whose appointments may be authorized as herein provided shall be fixed by the convention of school directors which provides for their appointment and together with any additional salary granted by said convention to any required assistant county superintendent shall be paid from the school appropriation apportioned among the several school districts under the supervision of the county superintendent before the same is distributed The salaries of assistant county superintendents shall be paid quarterly" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1130 The minimum salary of each assistant county superintendent shall be eighteen hundred dollars ($1,800.00) per year which shall be paid out of the State appropriation for public schools in such payments and manner as the county superintendents are paid The salaries of additional assistant county superintendents whose appointments may be authorized as herein provided shall be fixed by the convention of school directors which provides for their appointment and together with any additional salary granted by said convention to any required assistant county superintendent shall be paid from the school appropriation apportioned among the several school districts under the supervision of the county superintendent before the same is distributed The salaries of assistant county superintendents shall be paid monthly

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 376, as follows:

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" as amended.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section eleven hundred and twenty-one of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" as amended by an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-three) entitled "An Act to amend section eleven hundred twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled 'An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1121 The annual salary of each county superintendent elected or appointed under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the State from appropriation made for this purpose or from the appropriations for the public schools and shall be fifteen dollars ($15.00) for each of the first one hundred schools within his jurisdiction at the time of his election and five dollars ($5.00) for each such additional school Provided That the salary of a county superintendent shall not be less than fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00) per annum or more than two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) per annum but a convention of school directors assembled for the purpose of electing a county superintendent may vote him a salary greater than the amount he would receive by this act such increase to be paid in all cases out of the school fund apportioned to the school districts over which such county superintendent has supervision before the same is distributed The salaries of county superintendents shall be paid monthly" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 1121 The annual salary of each county superintendent elected or appointed under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the State from appropriations made for this purpose or from the appropriations for the public schools and shall be fifteen dollars ($15.00) for each of the first one hundred schools within his jurisdiction at the time of his election and ten dollars ($10.00) for each such additional school Provided that the salary of a county superintendent shall not be less than two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) per annum nor more than twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500.00) per annum but a convention of school directors assembled for the purpose of electing a county superintendent may vote him a salary greater than the amount he would receive by this act such increase to be paid in all cases out of the school fund apportioned to the school districts over which such county superintendent has supervision before the same is distributed The salaries of county superintendents shall be paid monthly

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 598 (House Bill No. 364), as follows:

An Act relative to the sale in bulk of the whole or a large part of the stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or of goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures not in the ordinary course of business providing certain requirements therefor and imposing certain duties upon the seller and buyer and making their violation a misdemeanor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be the duty of every person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or any goods or merchandise of any kind and fixtures in bulk for cash or on credit before paying to the vendor or his agent or representative or delivering to the vendor or his agent any part of the purchase price thereof or any promissory note or other evidence therefor to demand of and receive from such vendor or agent or if the vendor or agent be a corporation then from the President Vice-President Secretary or Managing Agent of such corporation a written statement sworn to substantially as hereinafter provided of the names and addresses of all the creditors of the said vendor to whom said vendor may be indebted together with the amount of the indebtedness due or owing and to become due or owing by said vendor to each of such creditors And it shall be the duty of said vendor or agent to furnish said statement which shall be verified by an oath to the following effect

State of Pennsylvania ss

County of

Before me personally appeared (vendor or agent as the case may be) who being by me first duly sworn upon his oath does depose and say that the foregoing statement contains the names of all the creditors of (the name of the vendor) together with their addresses and that the amount set opposite each of said respective names is the amount now due and owing and which shall become due and owing by (vendor) to such creditors and that there are no creditors holding claims due or which shall become due for or on account of goods wares or merchandise purchased upon credit or on account of money borrowed to carry on the business of which said goods are a part other than as set forth in said statement and in this affidavit are within the personal knowledge of affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of

(Title of officer taking oath)

Section 2 Thereupon it shall be the duty of the person who shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or of any goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures in bulk at least ten (10) days before the completion of said purchase or the payment therefor to notify personally or by registered mail each of said creditors of the said vendor of said proposed sale the price to be paid therefor the terms and conditions thereof and a copy of the statement of creditors provided for in Section 1 of this Act

Section 3 Whenever any person shall bargain for or purchase any stock of goods wares or merchandise of any kind or any goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures in bulk for cash or on credit and shall pay any part of the purchase price or execute or deliver to the vendor thereof or to his order or to any person for his use any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness for said purchase price or any part thereof without first having demanded and received from said vendor or from his agent the statement provided for in Section 1 of this Act and verified as there provided and without paying or seeing to it that the purchase money of said property is applied to the payment of the bona fide claims of the creditors of the vendor pro rata as shown upon such verified statement and without first having sent the notices of said sale and said statement of creditors as provided for in Section 2 of this Act then such sale or transfer shall be fraudulent and void Provided however that no proceeding at law or equity shall be brought against the purchaser to invalidate any such sale after the expiration of ninety days from the consummation thereof

Section 4 Any vendor of any stock of goods fixtures wares or merchandise of any kind in bulk or any person who is acting for or on behalf of any vendor who shall knowingly or wilfully make or deliver or cause to be made or delivered a statement as provided for in Section 1 of this Act which shall not include the names of all of the creditors of such vendor with the correct amount due and to become due to each of them or which shall contain any false or untrue statement shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding Five Thousand ($5,000) Dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding six months or both or either at the discretion of the court

Section 5 A sale and transfer or attempted sale and transfer in bulk in contemplation of this act shall be deemed to be any sale or transfer in bulk of the whole or a large part of any stock of goods wares or merchandise or of goods wares or merchandise of any kind and fixtures otherwise than in the ordinary course of trade and in the regular and usual prosecution of the seller's business Provided however that if such vendor produces and delivers a written waiver of the provisions of this Act from his creditors as shown by such verified statements then in that case the provisions of this Act shall not apply

Section 6 Nothing contained in this act shall apply to sales made under any order of a Court or to any sales made by executors assignees for the benefit of creditors administrators receivers or any public officer in his official capacity or by any officer of a Court

Section 7 Provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent or hinder the vendor from demanding and receiving security from any purchaser or vendee to insure faithful performance of the contract prior to the furnishing the list of creditors as hereinabove set forth

Section 8 Any person or persons firm or corporation or any person or persons acting for or on behalf of any firm or corporation who shall procure from any seller or vendor a list of creditors as hereinabove set forth through fraud misrepresentation or deceit for the purpose of injuring said seller or vendor in his business and not for the purpose of securing the creditors of such seller or vendor as contemplated by this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars

Section 9 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—39.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	McConnell,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Eyre,	McKee,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Stewart,
Burke,	Graff, W. P.,	Patton,	Vare,
Catlin,	Hackett,	Phipps,	Warner,
Craig,	Haldeman,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Hindman,	Semmens,	Weaver,
Crow,	Homsher,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Daix,	Jones,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Kline,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—2.

Jenkins, Leiby,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 615, as follows:

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the fourth section of an act entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth" approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight (Pamphlet Laws three) which reads as follows

"Section 4 The fees of the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall be as follows to wit

"Venire for and swearing grand jury to be paid by the county ninety cents

"Filing and entering if necessary all papers relating to one prosecution where true bills are found including arraignment of defendant entering pleas and stationery one dollar and fifty cents

"The same services where bill is returned ignoramus including discharge by proclamation seventy-five cents

"Calling recognizance and entry of forfeiture twenty cents

"Taking recognizance in court each person twenty-five cents

"Respiting or discharging forfeited recognizance and motion therefor fifteen cents

"Every motion and rule twenty-five cents

"Continuance ten cents

"Entering retraction of pleas or nolle prosequi twenty cents

"Entering submission and judgment sixty cents

"Swearing jury witnesses constable and entering verdict and judgment sixty cents

"All services in cases of surety of the peace except subpoenas or attachments or for taking recognizances sixty cents

"Process on indictment docket entry and return seventy-five cents
"Copy of rule or order of court with certificate and seal forty cents
"Filing petition and order thereon twenty cents
"Filing petition for a view or re-view of a road or bridge and order under seal ninety cents
"Recording return of viewers and confirmation for every eight words one cent
"Order to open road under seal one dollar and twenty-five cents
"Certificate for pay of road or bridge viewers to be paid by the county each case thirty cents
"Constable's bond twenty-five cents
"Receiving and entering constable's return to be paid by county fifteen cents
"Filing and recording returns of boroughs and township elections each person elected to be paid by the county ten cents
"Issuing subpoena under seal thirty cents
"Each name after the first two cents
"Issuing attachment entering motion therefor and return forty cents
"Copy of record or of any paper filed for every eight words one cent
"Certificate and seal thirty cents
"Every search where no other service is performed to which any fee is attached fifteen cents
"Taxing costs other than the clerk of the sessions twenty-five cents
"Re-taxing parties' bill of costs and making report fifty cents
"Making return to writ of error one dollar
"Entering proceedings of supreme court forty cents
"Entering appeals from justices forty cents
"Certificate for pay of jurors crier and constables paid by the county seventy-five cents
"Issuing notice to defaulting jurors each twenty-five cents
"Issuing fi fa against defaulting jurors fifty cents
"Filing any paper not relating to any suit pending and not hereinbefore provided for fifteen cents
"All proceedings in tavern or eating house licenses except certificate one dollar
"All proceedings on peddler's license one dollar
"Every warrant of seizure and proceedings thereon one dollar
"The fees for services not herein specially provided shall be the same as for similar services" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 The fees of the several clerks of the court of quarter sessions of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall be as follows

Venire for and swearing grand jury to be paid by the county one dollar
Venire for and swearing petit jury to be paid by the county one dollar
Venire for and swearing special jury to be paid by the county one dollar
Filing and entering if necessary all papers relating to one prosecution where true bills are found including arraignment of defendant entering pleas and stationery one dollar and fifty cents
The same services where bill is returned ignoramus including discharge by proclamation seventy-five cents
Calling recognizance and entry of forfeiture twenty cents
Taking recognizance in court each person twenty-five cents
Respiting or discharging forfeited recognizance and motion therefor fifteen cents
Every motion and rule twenty-five cents
Continuance ten cents
Entering retraction of pleas or nolle prosequi twenty cents
Entering submission and judgment sixty cents
Swearing jury witnesses constable and entering verdict and judgment sixty cents
All services in cases of surety of the peace and desertion two dollars
Process on indictment docket entry and return seventy-five cents
Copy of rule or order of court with certificate and seal forty cents
Filing petition entry and order thereon seventy-five cents
Filing and docketing petition for the appointment of viewers filing report and confirmation five dollars
Recording return of viewers and confirmation for every one hundred words twenty-five cents
Order to open road under seal two dollars
Certificate for pay of road or bridge viewers to be paid by the county each case fifty cents
Constable's bond one dollar
Receiving and entering constable's return to be paid by the county twenty-five cents
Filing and recording returns of borough and township elections each district to be paid by the county three dollars
Issuing subpoena under seal thirty cents
Each name after the first two cents
Issuing attachment entering motion therefor and return one dollar
Copy of record or of any paper filed for every hundred words twenty-five cents
Certificate and seal fifty cents
Every search where no other service is performed to which any fee is attached twenty-five cents
Taxing costs other than the clerk of the sessions twenty-five cents
Re-taxing parties' bill of costs and making report fifty cents
Making return to writ of error one dollar
Entering proceedings of supreme court one dollar
Entering proceedings of superior court one dollar
Entering appeals from justices forty cents
Certificate for pay for jurors each juror to be paid by the county fifty cents
Certificate for pay for constables each constable to be paid by the county fifty cents Issuing notice to defaulting jurors each twenty-five cents
Issuing fi fa against defaulting jurors fifty cents
Filing any paper not relating to any suit pending and not hereinbefore provided for twenty-five cents
All proceedings in tavern or eating house licenses except certificate one dollar
All proceedings on peddler's license one dollar
Every warrant of seizure and proceedings thereon one dollar
Tax bond one dollar
Bail piece one dollar
Bench warrants one dollar
Commitment to county prison fifty cents
Commitment to State Penitentiary one dollar
Commitment to House of Refuge one dollar
Commitment to Protectory one dollar
Certificate for constable fifty cents
Certificate for school directors fifty cents
Notifying election officers of their election to be paid by the county each fifty cents
Certificate for sheriff to draw grand petit jurors one dollar
Certificate for sheriff to draw special jurors one dollar
Commission on lunacy swearing commission filing and recording et cetera two dollars and fifty cents
Certified copy or record bill of indictment two dollars
Certified copy of docket entries one dollar
Certified copy of docket entries in road cases one dollar
Dog registry one dollar
Discharge on ignored bill fifty cents
Discharge on bail entered fifty cents
Discharge prisoner from dock twenty-five cents
Exemplification of the record homicide cases four dollars
Exemplification of the record general cases two dollars
Filing and entering reasons for new trial fifty cents
Filing and entering motions in arrest of judgment fifty cents
Entering a nolle prosequi one dollar
Seal in every case twenty-five cents
Filing and entering inquisitions to be paid by the county fifty cents
Filing and entering election expenses statements to be paid by the county fifty cents
Entering any order of the court minimum fifty cents
Filing and docketing any petition not herein provided for two dollars and fifty cents
Filing and docketing appeal from award or of road jury one dollar and twenty-five cents
Certificate for road damages fifty cents
Entering rule to take depositions fifty cents
Services of each minute clerk during sessions of the court to be paid by the county per day four dollars
Report to Board of Public Charities five dollars
Precipe for argument twenty-five cents
Filing and entering opinion and docket entries one dollar
Filing and entering financial statements of surety companies one dollar
Filing and entering auditor's report one dollar
Placing case on argument list twenty-five cents
Filing and entering appointments made by the court to be paid by the county two dollars and fifty cents
Certificates of appointment to be paid by the county fifty cents
Filing and entering appeal from report of auditors two dollars and fifty cents
Reporting election of supervisors to the State Highway Department to be paid by the county each fifty cents
Preparing files and records for cases on trial or argument list to be paid by the county each case fifty cents
Filing and entering notes of testimony fifty cents
Filing and entering plan of topographic survey one dollar
Filing Commonwealth bill of costs twenty-five cents
Filing and entering prison report one dollar
Filing and entering poor directors' report one dollar
Receiving and paying out moneys in desertion and non-support cases to be paid by the county per case per annum one dollar
Filing and docketing juvenile cases per case two dollars and fifty cents
Filing entering and docketing petitions for discharge from reformatories per case to be paid by the county two dollars and fifty cents
The fees for services not herein specially provided shall be the same as for similar services

Section 2 The fifth section of said act which reads as follows

"Section 5 All services performed in any one prosecution where a bill is found except for subpoenas attachments for witnesses or process on indictment four dollars
"When bill is returned ignoramus one dollar and twenty-five cents
"For subpoenas attachments seal and certificate and capias and other services not herein provided for same fees

as are allowed to clerk of quarter sessions" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 All services performed in any one prosecution where a bill is found except for subpoenas attachments for witnesses or process on indictment four dollars

When bill is returned ignoramus two dollars

For subpoenas attachments seal and certificate and capias and other services not herein provided for same fees as are allowed to clerk of quarter sessions

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 648 (House Bill No. 905), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred ninety-one, entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessors for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 655, as follows:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article three section six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteen article thereof

That section six of article three be amended so as to read as follows

Section 6 No law shall be revived amended or the provisions thereof extended or conferred by reference to its title only but so much thereof as is revived amended extended or conferred shall be re-enacted and published at length and the subject of the amendment or supplement and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—40.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Beales,	Hindman,	Patton,	Stewart,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Salus,	Vare,
Burke,	Jones,	Sassaman,	Warner,
Catlin,	Kline,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, W. P.,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,	
Hackett,	Miller,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 818, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 19th day of June, 1911, entitled "An Act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 688, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of county treasurers in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present, for the purpose of introducing a companion bill, and also for the purpose of conferring with City Treasurer McCoach as to the salaries in his office.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 742, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 91, as follows:

An Act protecting employes against false charges as to collection of transportation money

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That every person who shall by any letter mark sign or designation whatever or by any verbal statement falsely or without reliable proof report to any railroad or any other company or corporation or to any individual or individuals or to any of the officers servants agents or employes of any such corporation individual or individuals that any conductor brakeman engineer fireman station agent or other employes of any such railroad company corporation individual or individuals have received any money for the transportation of persons or property or who shall falsely report or report without reliable proof that any conductor brakeman engineer fireman station agent or other employes of any such railroad company corporation individual or individuals neglected failed or refused to collect any money for transportation of persons or property when it was their duty so to do the person making such false report or a report without reliable proof shall upon conviction be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100.00)

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 122, as follows:

An act to repeal section three of an act aproved June second eighteen hundred and eighty-seven entitled "An Act supplmentary to an act approved April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled 'An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' amending the thirty-fourth section thereof extending its provisions to fuel companies providing for their capital stock and regulation and giving them the power of eminent domain"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section three of an act approved June two one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven entitled "An Act supplementary to an act approved April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' amending the thirty-fourth section thereof extending its provisions to fuel companies providing for their capital stock and regulation and giving them the power of eminent domain" which reads as follows

"Section 3 That clause three of section thirty-four of said act of April twenty-ninth Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four which reads as follows 'The right to have and enjoy the franchises and privileges of such incorporation within the district or locality covered by its charter shall be an exclusive one and no other company shall be incorporated for that purpose until the said corporation shall have from its earnings realized and divided among its stockholders during five years a dividend equal to eight per centum per annum upon it capital Provided That the said corporation shall at all times furnish pure gas and water and any citizen using the same may make complaint of impurity or deficiency in quantity or both to the court of common pleas of the proper county by bill filed and after hearing the parties touching the same the said court shall have power to make such order in the premises as may seem just and equitable and may dismiss the complaints or compel the corporation to correct the evil complained of' be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows The right to have and enjoy the franchise and privileges of such corporations for the manufacture of gas for light only shall be an exclusive one within the district or locality covered by its charter and no other company shall be incorporated for the manufacture of gas to supply light only to the public until the said corporation shall have from its earnings realized and dividend among its stockholders during five years a dividend equal to eight per centum per annum upon its capital stock Provided That said corporations shall at all time furnish pure gas and water and any citizens using the same may make complaint of impurity or deficiency in quantity or both to the court of common pleas of the proper county by bill filed and after hearing the parties touching the same the said court shall have power to make such order in the premises as may seem just and equitable and may dismiss the complaints or compel the corporation to correct the evil complained of" be and the same is hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 122, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 134, as follows:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article Nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the Eighteenth Article thereof

Amend Article Nine by adding the following section

The State or any municipality thereof acquiring or appropriating property or rights over or in property for public use may in futherance of its plans for the acquisition and public use of such property or rights and subject to such restrictions as the legislature may from time to time impose appropriate an excess of property over that actually to be occupied or used for public use and may thereafter sell or lease such excess and impose on the property so sold or leased any restrictions appropriate to preserve or enhance the benefit to the public of the property actually occupied or used

And said bill having been read at length the second time. and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 343, as follows:

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That where any real estate in this Commonwealth heretofore held by or for any corporation or corporations not having the right to own and hold the same has been conveyed to any ctiizen of the United States or to any corporation authorized by the laws of this Commonwealth to hold the same such citizen or corporation grantee as aforesaid shall hold and may convey such title

and estate indefeasibly as to any right of escheat in this Commonwealth by reason of such real estate having been sold by or for a corporation not authorized to hold the same by the laws of this Commonwealth

Section 2 This act shall not apply to escheat cases now in litigation.

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 554 (House Bill No. 359), entitled

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

The first and second sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases now pending or which may hereafter be brought where a writ of foreign attachment has been or shall be dissolved or quashed or the court has refused or shall refuse to dissolve or quash the same the party against whom such order is or has been made or whose interest is affected thereby may appeal to the Supreme or to the Superior Court as in other cases In the case of a refusal to dissolve or quash the right to appeal shall be immediate without waiting for the final judgment in the case

Section 2 When the appeal is from an order made dissolving or quashing the writ of attachment and is taken within ten days after such order is made such appeal shall operate as a supersedeas and the attachment shall continue to bind the property attached In all such cases bail shall be entered with sufficient surety in an amount to be fixed by the court which will properly secure the damages if any by reason of the detention of the property attached Such bail shall be conditioned that the appeal shall be prosecuted with effect and that if the appellant be unsuccessful therein he will pay such damages and costs

The third section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 3 Upon the hearing of any such appeal the evidence on which the case was heard and disposed of in the court below together with the opinion of the court thereon shall constitute a part of the record The court to which such appeal is taken shall consider the same and dispose of the case according as the law and the facts shall be found therefrom

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move to amend section 3, page 2, line 1, by inserting after the word "appeal" the words "either now pending or hereafter to be brought."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The fourth section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 564, as follows:

An Act requiring the several prothonotaries and clerks of the courts of quarter sessions to keep certain dockets and to enter therein all matters coming before the respective courts concerning lunatics weak-minded persons and persons committed to institutions and requiring county commissioners to furnish such dockets at the expense of the county

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the prothonotaries of the several courts of common pleas in the various counties shall keep a separate docket to be called "lunacy docket" in which shall be indexed ad sectum the names of the lunatics or weak-minded persons and which docket shall contain all the docket entries of the individual cases concerning lunatics and weak-minded persons which may come before said court Each such proceeding shall have a separate number in the appropriate term of the court The docket shall also contain all appointments of guardians or committees and all proceedings instituted to commit persons to institutions for the care of the insane or feeble-minded

Section 2 The clerks of the several courts of quarter sessions of the various counties shall keep a docket to be called "Quarter Sessions Lunacy Docket" in which shall be indexed ad sectum all proceedings for the commitment of persons to institutions orders made upon relatives liable for the support and maintenance of such persons and all other proceedings thereupon Each such case shall be kept separate and distinct and have full docket entries and a number to the appropriate term

Section 3 The dockets herein provided for shall be furnished by the county commissioners at the cost of the respective counties

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 565, as follows:

An Act requiring service of notice of all petitions for the appointment of guardians and committees for lunatics and weak-minded persons notice of confirmation of accounts of such guardians and committees and notice of all audits to be served upon the Attorney General

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all proceedings by petition for the appointment of guardians or committees for lunatics or weak-minded persons it shall be the duty of the petitioner to serve a notice in writing upon the Attorney General at least ten days before the day fixed for a hearing and proof of such service or acceptice thereof must be furnished to the court at the time of hearing

Section 2 Copies of all accounts of guardians or committees or other persons having in charge the estate of a lunatic or weak-minded person shall be served by the person filing such account upon the Attorney General at least ten days prior to the time when the account is brought before the court for confirmation nisi Proof of such service shall be produced at the time that confirmation nisi of such account is asked and failure to produce such proof of service shall be a bar to such confirmation

Section 3 All auditors appointed to audit the accounts of guardians committees or other persons having charge of the estates of lunatics or weak-minded persons shall service written notice of the time and place of hearing upon the Attorney General at least fifteen days before any audit of any such account Proof of service of such notice shall be contained in the auditor's report and the same shall not be confirmed nisi by the court unless accompanied with such proof of service

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 566, as follows:

An Act relating to the audit and distribution of estates of lunatics and weak-minded persons

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any creditor of the estate of a lunatic or weak-minded person shall have power to petition the court wherein has been filed the account of the guardian committee trustee or other person having charge of the estate of a lunatic or weak-minded person for the appointment of an auditor to distribute the balance shown by said account to the parties thereto entitled It shall be the duty of said court thereupon to ascertain whether the creditor thus petitioning has a prima facia claim upon the said estate and if so either to hear the matter in open court or to appoint an auditor to distribute

the estate of such person to any and all creditors who shall prove their claims at said audit and award the balance back to the accountant for further accounting

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 600 (House Bill No. 461), entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred thirty-seven), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class; providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 608 (House Bill No. 300), entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 612 (House Bill No. 847), entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 622, entitled

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred three, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments and the reassessment between the period of the triennial assessment of property and fixing the time for the return thereof," by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of a triennial assessment.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and ninety-two Number two hundred twenty-four) entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments and the reassessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property and fixing the time for the return thereof" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall issue their precepts to make the triennial assessment of property to the assessors of their respective townships boroughs wards and districts on or before the second Monday of September and the said assessors are hereby required to complete the said assessment and make their return thereof not later than the thirty-first day of December Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three and triennially thereafter" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 That the commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth shall during the month of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty and quadriennially thereafter issue their precepts to make the quadrennial assessment of property to the assessors of their respective townships boroughs wards and districts and the said assessors are hereby required to complete the said assessments and make their returns thereof not later than the thirty-first day of December in the year in which said precepts were issued

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 10, by striking out "trinnial" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "triennial"; also line 25, by striking out "assesments" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "assessments"; also line 18, by inserting after the word "Commissioners" the following: "and the board for the assessment and revision of taxes."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 That section two of said act which as amended by the act approved the thirteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws sixty-four number sixty-two) entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the twenty-third day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three entitled 'An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments and the reassessments between the periods of the triennial assessment of property and fixing the time for the return thereof' by requiring assessors to make returns of reassessment not later than ninety days from the date of issuing prrcepts" reads as follows

"Section 2 The said commissioners shall issue their precepts to the assessors aforesaid to make the reassessment of property between the periods of the triennial assessments on or before the second Monday of September and the said assessors are hereby required to complete the said reassessment and to make their return thereof not later than ninety days from the date of the issuing of said precepts" is hereby further amended to reads as follows

Section 2 The said commissioners shall issue their precepts to the assessors aforesaid to make the reassessment of property between the periods of the quadrennial assessments during the month of August and the said assessors are hereby required to complete the said reassessment and to make their return thereof not later than ninety days from the date of the issuing of said precepts

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 3, line 22, by inserting after the word "Commissioners" the following: "and the board for the assessment and revision of taxes."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third and fourth sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 3 The triennial assessments made in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen shall be and remain in force until and including the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty and the triennial assessment now required by law to be made in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen shall not be made by said assessors nor shall precepts therefor be issued by the county commissioners of the several counties

All laws now in force relating to triennial assessments shall remain in force and shall apply with like force

and effect to the making of quadrennial assessments as herein provided for

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand nine hundred and three, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments and the reassessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property and fixing the time for the return thereof" by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of triennial assessment.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 647 (House Bill No. 855). entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expense thereof' approved the fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise."

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 687, as follows:

An Act defining how and when borough and township auditors shall audit borough township and school accounts providing for the publication of the same in one or more newspapers of the county and providing a penalty

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the auditors of every borough and township within this Commonwealth shall meet at their respective places of meeting and audit settle and adjust the different accounts over which they have lawful supervision at the following stated periods

(a) For the auditing of all township accounts on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in December of each year.

(b) For all borough accounts on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of each year

(c) For all fourth class school district accounts on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in July of each year

Section 2 At such times as indicated in section one the auditors shall meet and proceed to examine settle and audit the accounts of the supervisors or commissioners road masters treasurers and tax collector of each township the accounts of the tax collectors treasurer and all other officers of the borough and the accounts of the tax collector and treasurer of each and every school district of the fourth class in the following manner No bill shall be accepted by the auditors or passed upon which shall not have been ordered paid by the township supervisors or commissioners borough council or school board through vouchers properly signed by the President and attested by the secretary thereof and such vouchers shall be carefully examined by the auditors before they are accepted or rejected

Section 3 The statement shall be made up in full itemized form giving name of drawee of each voucher and for what purpose said voucher was intended to cover together with its amount This full and itemized statement shall then be published by the respective auditors in at least one newspaper having the largest circulation in the borough or township for which said statement is prepared once a week for three successive weeks following the completion of the audit

Any township or borough auditor violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars or in default of payment shall undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for a term of ninety days

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. SEMMENS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 690 (House Bill No. 738), on second reading. entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads, improved and maintained by such counties, the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth, for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads, and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon, and for the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers, and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 692, entitled

An Act authorizing tenants in common and coparceners of land to pay their proportionate share of the taxes assessed against the land and providing that the sale thereof for unpaid taxes shall not impair or divest the title of those who have paid their respective shares of such taxes

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the undivided interest of any tenant in common or coparcener of any seated lands in this Commonwealth shall not be sold or title thereto be divested by any treasurer's or sheriff's sale for the failure of any of said tenants in common or coparceners to pay their pro rata share of the taxes assessed against said land if such tenant in common or coparcener has paid to the proper collector of taxes his or her proportionate amount of taxes chargeable against such land and the sale of such lands shall divest and pass title to such undivided shares or interest only in such land as is held by such persons who have failed or neglected to pay their proportionate part of such taxes

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 And any such tenant in common or coparcener shall have the right to pay him or her proportionate part of such taxes at any time before the sale of the land under any lien entered in the prothonotary's office or before any treasurer's sale to the prothonotary or county treasurer and it shall be the duty of the prothonotary or county treasurer to receive the same for the district levying the tax and the sale of the residue of the shares or interest in such lands on which the taxes remain unpaid shall in no way effect the right title or interest of those who have paid their proportionate share of such taxes for which the land is sold

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 2, line 6, by striking out the word "him" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "his;" also line 14, by striking out the word "effect" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "affect."

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act authorizing tenants in common and coparceners of land to pay their proportionate share of the taxes assessed against the land and providing that the sale thereof for unpaid taxes shall not impair or divest the title of those who have paid their respective shares of such taxes

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 704 (House Bill No. 773), as follows:

An Act authorizing trustees of the insane or directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the trustees of the insane or directors or overseers of the poor of any poor district are authorized to provide a building or rooms in any building separate and apart from the insane department of such poor district in which to care for treat and maintain persons committed to their care who are temporarily mentally deranged but whose condition does not warrant their classification as an insane person or their commitment to the insane department of said poor district

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 706, entitled

An Act to fix the pay and mileage of witnesses and jurors in actions before magistrates aldermen and justices of the peace

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all actions civil or criminal before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace in this Commonwealth within their respective jurisdiction each witness shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of one dollar per day when subpoenaed or sworn and mileage at the rate of three cents per mile circular

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 6, by inserting after the word "witness" the words "subpoenaed or sworn;" also line 8, by striking out the words "when subpoenaed or sworn."

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second and third sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 In all counties wherein juries may be summoned in any case civil or criminal before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace each juror summoned and sworn shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of two dollars per day and mileage at the rate of three cents per mile circular

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to fix the pay and mileage of witnesses and jurors in actions before magistrates aldermen and justices of the peace

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 717, as follows:

An Act prohibiting the erection of sewage disposal plants within the vicinity of intakes of water works or systems of water supply and providing for the issuing of injunctions to prevent violations of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any individual partnership association or corporation or for any city borough town or township to locate and build or erect any sewage disposal plant within two thousand feet of the intake of any water-works or the intake of any system of water supply Authority is hereby conferred upon courts of common pleas to prohibit by injunction the location building or erection of sewage disposal plants contrary to the provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 721 (House Bill No. 734). entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited"

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 722 (House Bill No. 735), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census"

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 724, on second reading, entitled

An Act authorizing the board of public accounts to consider petitions for the return of moneys erroneously or inadvertantly paid or covered into the State Treasury and to make such order thereon as shall seem just and proper providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of such claims and claims heretofore adjusted and making an appropriation

be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BEALES. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 753, as follows:

A Supplement to the act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws forty-six) entitled "An act fixing the number and salaries of clerks and other employes in the Auditor General's Department" creating a Bureau of Economy and Efficiency in said Department fixing the number and salaries of its clerks and employes and prescribing its powers and duties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That there is hereby created in the Auditor General's Department a Bureau of Economy and Efficiency

hereinafter called the "bureau" The bureau shall be under the direction of a chief to be appointed by the Auditor General at a salary of five thousand dollars per annum

There shall also be a clerk at a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum two stenographers at a salary of one thousand two hundred dollars per annum each and such other clerks and employes as may be assigned to the bureau by the Auditor General

Section 2 The Bureau of Economy and Efficiency shall investigate the number character of duties and compensation of all persons in the employ of the State It shall ascertain and recommend what changes if any are necessary to secure greater uniformity economy and efficiency in the work of the various departments branches bureaus commissions boards of trustees and other persons in charge of institutions owned and controlled by the State. The bureau shall also prepare and compile data statistics of comparative costs and the methods for disbursing and accounting for State funds in the various departments branches bureaus commissions boards of trustees and other persons in charge of institutions owned and controlled by the State and shall make such suggestions and recommendations in relation thereto as it may deem proper

The head of each department bureau commission board of trustees and other persons in charge of institutions owned and controlled by the State and any other branch of the Government shall afford the bureau ample opportunity and facilities for the performance of its work

Section 3 On or before December first in each even numbered year the head of each department bureau board commission or other division of the State Government shall file with the bureau a detailed statement of its estimated financial needs for the next biennium together with the reasons for such needs The bureau may also from time to time and in its discretion require any such State officers departments bureaus divisions boards or commissions to report to it with regard to such other fiscal affairs as the bureau deems necessary for the proper compilation of the tabulation provided for in section four of this act

Section 4 The bureau shall digest prepare and report to the Governor and the General Assembly at the commencement of each biennial session and not later than January fifteenth

(a) A full and detailed statement of the condition of the revenues of the State and the amount of the expenditures for the two fiscal years preceding

(b) A full and detailed statement of the public debt

(c) A full and detailed estimate of revenues and expenditures for the two next succeeding years

(d) Such plans as the bureau deems expedient for the support of public credit for lessening the public expenses for using the public money to the best advantage for promoting frugality and economy in public offices and generally for the better management and more perfect understanding of the financial affairs of the State

(e) A tabular statement showing separately the whole amount of each appropriation of money made by the last session of the General Assembly the amount paid under the same and the balance; unexpended

(f) A tabular statement showing separately the amount of money received into the treasury from all sources in the two preceding fiscal years the amount received from each county and the sources of revenue in each county for State purposes'

Section 5 The bureau shall furnish to the General Assembly at the commencement of each session estimates of the expenses of the State Government and the rates of taxation necessary to pay the same for the two years next succeeding the close of the fiscal year with a scheme in the form of a complete revenue bill to sustain such estimates

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 756 (House Bill No. 376), entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 761 (House Bill No. 900), entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 765, as follows:

An Act requiring assessors and assistant assessors in boroughs to keep account of days actually employed and make return thereof to county commisioners and fixing their compensation

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That each assessor and assistant assessor in boroughs shall keep an account of the several days by him actually employed in the performance of his duties and to make return of the same to the commissioners of the county verified by his oath or affirmation and for each day necessarily so employed he shall receive the sum of three dollars and fifty cents

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 766, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Trevorton Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields situate in the Township of Coal near Shamokin Northumberland County Pennsylvania for deficiency in maintenance for the two fiscal years commencing June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary be and the same is hereby specifically appropriated to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Trevorton Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields situate in the Township of Coal near Shamokin Northumberland County Pennsylvania for the following purpose

For deficiency in maintenance for the two fiscal years commencing June first one thousand nine hundred and fifteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 770, entitled

An Act to further amend an act, entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Bureau and providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said Bureau and providing pen-

alties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith" by providing for further instruction prior to examination for licensure; clarifying section five (5) and twelve (12).

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section five of an act entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said bureau and providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith" approved the third day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said bureau and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith" approved the twenty-fifth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen which reads as follows

"Applicants for licensure under the provisions of this act shall furnish prior to any examination by the said bureau satisfactory proof that he or she is twenty-one years of age is of good moral character is not addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol or narcotic drugs and has a general education of not less than a standard four years' high school course or its equivalent and not less than one year of college credits in chemistry biology and physics all of which have been received before admission to medical study and have attended four graded course of not less than thirty-two weeks of not less than thirty-five hours each of actual work in didactic laboratory and clinical study in different calendar years in some reputable and legally incorporated medical school or college or colleges recognized as such by the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure of the State of Pennsylvania the dean or proper officer of which college having certified that the applicant has successfully passed each of said respective courses and shall have completed a year as intern in a hospital which shall have at least twenty-five beds to each intern devoted to the treatment of medical surgical gyneacological and special diseases shall maintain or establish co-operation with a maternity department or hospital in which each intern shall have not less than six weeks service or the equivalent thereof during which time he shall have attended or participated in the attendance upon not less than six confinements shall maintain a thoroughly equipped modern pathological and clinical laboratory proportionate to the necessities of the hospital and the records on file of the cases treated in said hospitals shall give evidence of the laboratory work so done by the intern shall maintain a department of anaesthesia consisting of one or more anaesthetists who shall have supervision over all the anaethesia given in the institution and whose duty it will be to instruct all interns in the administration of anaethetics Nothing in this act however shall be construed as applying to hospitals employing on salary graduate interns whose service is confined exclusively to the said institution A school or college to be reputable under the meaning of this act must conform to the standard required in section three of this act

Applicants from countries foreign to the territory of the United States who desire to be licensed by said bureau shall before examination furnish similar proof as to age moral character use of alcohol and narcotics and shall present a certificate or diploma indicating the completion of a preliminary and medical and surgical education equivalent to the above Each application to the said bureau for examination or licensure shall have attached thereto the affidavit or affirmation of the applicant as to its verity Any applicant stating any fact in his application which shall thereafter be proven to be false shall be deemed guilty of perjury and on conviction shall be subject to its penalties" is hereby amended to read as follows

Applicants for licensure under the provisions of this act shall furnish prior to any examination by the said bureau satisfactory proof that he or she is twenty-one years of age is of good moral character is not addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol or narcotic drugs and has a general education of not less than a standard four years' high school course or its equivalent and not less than one year of college credits in chemistry biology and physics all of which have been received before admission to medical study and have attended four graded course of not less than thirty-two weeks of not less than thirty-five hours each of actual work in didactic laboratory and clinical study in different calendar years in some reputable and legally incorporated medical school or college or colleges recognized as such by the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure of the State of Pennsylvania the dean or proper officer of which college having certified that the applicant has successfully passed each of said respective courses and shall have completed not less than a year as an intern in an approved hospital which shall have at least twenty-five beds to each intern devoted to the treatment of medical surgical gynaecological and special diseases shall maintain or establish coperation with a maternity department or hospital in which each intern shall have not less than six weeks' service or the equivalent thereof during which time he shall have attended or participated in the attendance upon not less than six confinements shall maintain a thoroughly equipped modern pathological and clinical laboratory proportionate to the necessities of the hospital and the records on file of the cases treated in said hospitals shall give evidence of the laboratory work so done by the intern shall maintain a department of anaesthesia consisting of one or more anaesthetists who shall have supervision over all the anaesthesia given in the institution and whose duty it will be to instruct all interns in the administration of anaethetics and shall have received an approved three months' field course and service in military medicine Nothing in this act however shall be construed as applying to hospitals employing on salary graduate interns whose service is confined exclusively to said institution A school or college to be reputable under the meaning of this act must conform to the standard required in section three of this act

Applicants from countries foreign to the territory of the United States who desire to be licensed by said bureau shall before examination furnish similar proof as to age moral character use of alcohol and narcotics and shall present a certificate or diploma indicating the completion of a preliminary and medical and surgical education equivalent to the above Each application to the said bureau for examination or licensure shall have attached thereto the affidavit or affirmation of the applicant as to its verity Any applicant stating any fact in his application which shall thereafter be proven to be false shall be deemed guilty of perjury and on conviction shall be subject to its penalties

Section twelve which reads "The Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure shall refuse to grant a license to practice medicine or surgery to an applicant upon the presentation to said Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure of a court record showing the conviction in due course of law of said persons for producing or aiding or abetting in producing a criminal abortion or miscarriage by any means whatsoever and further the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure upon such evidence and proof shall cause the name of such convicted person if a licentiate to be removed from the record in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

The Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure may refuse revoke or suspend the right to practice medicine or surgery in this State for any or all of the following reasons to wit The conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits or stimulants narcotics or any other substance which impairs intellect and judgment to such an extent as to incapacitate for the performance of professional duties

Any person who is a licentiate under this act or who is an applicant for examination for licensure to practice medicine or surgery in this State against whom are preferred any of the foregoing charges for causing the revocation or suspension of license or for causing refusal of the right to be examined for licensure shall be furnished by the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure with a copy of the complaint and shall have a hearing before the Bureau or by attorney and witnesses may be examined by said bureau respecting the guilt or innocence of said accused The suspension of license of any licentiate under this act shall be removed when said narcotic or vicious habit herein before specified shall have been adjudged by the said bureau to be cured or overcome and said suspended licentiate deemed capable of practicing his or her profession" is hereby amended to read as follows

The Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure shall refuse to grant a license to practice medicine and surgery or any of its branches to an applicant upon the presentation to said Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure of a court record showing the conviction in due course of law of said person for producing or aiding or abetting in producing a crimnial abortion or miscarriage by any means whatsoever and further the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure upon such evidence and proof shall cause the name of any physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or any of its branches in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be removed from the record in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

The Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure may refuse revoke or suspend the right to practice medicine and surgery or any of its branches in this State for any or all of the following reasons to wit The conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits or stimulants narcotics or any other substance which impairs intellect and judgment to such an extent as to incapacitate for the performance of professional duties

Any person who is licensed to practice medicine and surgery or any of its branches in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or who is an applicant for examination for licensure to practice medicine and surgery or any of its branches in this State against whom are preferred any of the foregoing charges for causing the revocation or suspension of license or for causing refusal of the right to be examined for licensure shall be furnished by the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure with a copy of the complaint and shall have a hearing before the bureau or by

attorney and witnesses may be examined by said bureau respecting the guilt or innocence of said accused The suspension of license of any person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or any of its branches shall be removed when said narcotic or vicious habit herinbefore specified shall have been adjudged by the said bureau to be cured or overcome and said suspended licentiate deemed capable of practicing his or her profession

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 2, line 17, by inserting after the word "eleven" the words "which as"; also by striking out the words "to read" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "by an act entitled 'An Act to amend title and sections three and four and five and six and nine and eleven of an act entitled"; also page 3, line 2, by inserting before the word "branches" the word "minor"; also line 6, by inserting before the word "by" the word "given"; also by striking out the word violations" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "violation"; also line 8, by inserting after the word "therewith" and within the quotation, the words "approved the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven"; also line 9, by striking out the word "which"; also line 11, by inserting before the word "applicants" the following: "Section 5"; also line 15, by striking out "intemeperate" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "intemperate"; also line 21, by striking out the word "course" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "courses"; also page 4, line 16, by striking out "insitution" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "institution"; also page 5, line 9, by inserting before the word "Applicants" the following: "Section 5"; also page 6, line 17, by inserting after the word "and" the words "in the case of applicants of acceptable age and otherwise acceptable to the Federal Government"; also page 7, line 9, by striking out the words "Section twelve which reads" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Section 2 Section twelve of said act which reads as follows"; also page 9, line 27, by striking out the word "of" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to further amend an act, entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Bureau and providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said Bureau and providing penalties for violations thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith" by providing for further instruction prior to examination for licensure; by clarifying section five (5) and twelve (12).

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, page 1, line 13, by striking out "amended to read" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "as amended by an act approved the twenty-fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled 'An Act to amend title and sections three and four and five and six and nine and eleven of an act entitled"; also page 1, line 1, by inserting before the word "entitled" the following: "approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven"; also page 2, line 1, by inserting before the word "branches" the word "minor"; also line 5, by inserting after the word "licenses" the word "given"; also line 6, by striking out the word "violations" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "violation"; also line 7, by inserting after the word "therewith" and within the quotation the following: "approved the third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven".

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 771, entitled

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one thousand four hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1405 The board of school directors of every school district in this Commonwealth shall for the purpose of designating the schools to be attended by the several pupils in said district subdivide the same in such manner that all the pupils in each school district shall be assigned to and reasonably accommodated in one of the public schools in said school district Provided That the board of school directors may upon cause shown permit any pupil or pupils in any school district to attend such other school in said district as the board may deem proper or may classify and assign the pupils in the district to any such school or schools therein as it may deem best in order to properly educate the same Provided further That hereafter it shall be unlawful for any school director superintendent or teacher to make any distinction whatever on account of or by reason of the race or color of any pupil or scholar who may be in attendance upon or seeking admission to any public school maintained wholly or in part under the school laws of the Commonwealth" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1405 Tme board of school directors of every school district in this Commonwealth shall for the purpose of designating the schools to be attended by the several pupils in said district sub-divide the same in such manner that all the pupils in each school district shall be assigned to and reasonably accommodated in one of the public schools in said school district Provided That the board of school directors may upon cause shown permit any pupil or pupils in any school district to attend such other school in said district as the board may deem proper or may classify and assign the pupils in the district to any such school or schools therein as it may deem best in order to properly educate the same

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 3, line 7, by striking out after the word "any" the word "pupils" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "pupil."

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to

establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 778, as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the seventh day of July one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled an act relating to and regulating motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and licensing of certain operators by the State Highway Department prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated or without the consent of the owner forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles or licensing of any operator or regulating the speed of motor vehicles by any county borough city incorporated town or township establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section two of an act entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and licensing of certain operators by the State Highway Department prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated or without the consent of the owner forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles or licensing of any operator or regulating the speed of motor vehicles by any county borough city incorporated town or township establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder" which reads as follows

"Section 2 The term 'motor vehicle' as used in this act shall apply to all wheeled vehicles operated or propelled by any form of engine motor or mechanical power including traction-engines and vehicles trailing after or propelled by vehicles operated by any form of engine motor or mechanical power excepting road-rollers and agricultural machinery not self-propelled and vehicles which move upon or are guided by a track The term 'motor cycle' as used in this act shall apply to all two and three wheeled motor vehicles of the bicycle or tricycle type" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 The term "motor vehicle" as used in this act shall apply to all wheeled vehicles operated or propelled by any form of engine motor or mechanical power vehicles operated by power received from any source other than from engine motor or mechanical power forming part of such vehicle excepting traction-engines road-rollers agricultural machinery and vehicles which move upon or guided by a track The term "motor cycle" as used in this act shall apply to all two three or four wheeled motor operated vehicles of the bicycle tricycle or four-wheeled type whether the motive power be a part thereof or attached thereto The terms of this act shall apply to vehicles trailing after or propelled by a motor vehicle

Section 2 That section three which reads as follows

"Section 3 Application for registration of motor vehicles shall be made to the State Highway Department The application shall contain the full name and residence of the owner or owners with a brief description of the motor vehicle the name the manufacturer's number the character of the motive power and the horse-power and if equipped with sold or metal tires the gross maximum weight of load and vehicle For registration purposes the horse-power of motor vehicles equipped with other than solid or metal tires except those propelled by steam or electricity shall be computed by the following formula Diameter of bore in inches squared times the number of cylinders times four-tenths (.4) The accepted horse-power for registration of motor vehicles propelled by steam or electricity shall be that given and certified to by the manufacturer The said application shall be made upon a blank provided for the purpose by the State Highway Department It shall be signed by the owner or owners in case of joint ownership and be verified by oath or affirmation Upon receipt of the application and the proper fee the State Highway Department shall except as hereinafter provided register the said motor vehicle in a book to be kept for that purpose and shall issue to the owner or owners a registration certificate which shall entitle the holder or holders to lawfully operate any motor vehicle showing the name and address of the owner or owners the name type horse-power and manufacturers' number of the motor vehicle and the registration number thereof also two (2) number tags having thereon the registration number the figures of which shall not be less than five inches in height the maker's number of the vehicle the abbreviated name of the State and the year except in the case of motor cycles the tags of which shall have letters not less than three and one-half (3½) inches in height The number tags of motor vehicles equipped with solid tires shall bear in the corner or corners thereof a star or stars indicating the classification of the vehicle for which it is issued as provided for in section fourteen Applicants for registration or license who reside outside of this State shall in addition to the above reqnirements designate in their application the State Highway Commissioner as their authorized agent upon whom process may be served" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 Application for registration of motor vehicles shall be made to the State Highway Department The application shall contain the full name and residence of the owner or owners with a brief description of the motor vehicle the name the manufacturer's number the character of the motive power and the horse-power and if equipped with solid or metal tires the gross maximum weight of load and vehicle For registration purposes the horse-power of motor vehicles equipped with other than solid or metal tires except those propelled by steam or electricity shall be computed by the following formula Diameter of bore in inches squared times the number of cylinders times four-tenths (.4) The accepted horse-power for registration of motor vehicles propelled by steam or electricity shall be that given and certified to by the manufacturer The said application shall be made upon a blank provided for the purpose by the State Highway Department It shall be signed by the owner or owners in the case of joint ownership and be verified by oath or affirmation Upon receipt of the application and the proper fee the State Highway Department shall except as hereinafter provided register the said motor vehicle in a book to be kept for that purpose and shall issue to the owner or owners a registration certificate showing the name and address of the owner or owners the name type horse-power and manufacturers' number of the motor vehicle and the registration number theerof also two (2) number tags having thereon the registration number the figures of which shall be not more than five (5) inches in height the abbreviated name of the State and the year—except in the case of motor cycles the tags of which shall have letters not more than three and one-half (3½) inches in height The number tags for motor vehicles equipped with solid tires shall bear in the corner or corners thereof a star or stars indicating the classification of the vehicle for which it is issued as provided for in section six Applicants for registration or licenses who reside outside of this State shall in addition to the above requirements designate in their application the State Highway Commissioner as their authorized agent upon whom process may be served No motor vehicle owned by a resident of Pennsylvania shall be operated in this State under the registration of any other State territory federal district or country

Any person or persons removing altering or obliterating the manufacturers' plate or number on any motor vehicle or any person or persons aiding or abetting in such removing altering or obliterating for the purpose of destroying the identiy of said motor vehicle or any such person or persons receiving or purchasing any motor vehicle upon which the manufacturers' plate or number has been removed altered or obliterated without the knowledge that the said manufacturers' plate or number was not removed altered or obliterated with the intent of destroying the identity of said motor vehicle shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) or more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court and the clerk of the court in which such conviction is had shall certify such conviction to the State Highway Commissioner of Pennsylvania who shall forthwith revoke the license of any licensee so convicted

Section 3 That section four which reads

"Section 4 Motor vehicles owned or kept by manufacturers or dealers for the purpose of demonstrating testing or selling shall be exempt from the necessiting of individual registration provided said manufacturer or dealer registers with the State Highway Department in "dealers' class" Applications for such registration shall be made upon a blank provided for the purpose by the State Highway Department which shall set forth the full name and business address of the applicant and shall be verified by oath or affirmation Upon receipt of the application accompanied by the proper fee for each certificate and paid of number tags desired the State Highway Department shall except as hereinafter provided issue to the applicant as many certificates of registration and pairs of number tags as may be desired such tags having thereon the number of the registration in figures not less than five (5) inches in height the year and the words "Pennsylvania Dealer" or an abbre-

viation thereof the first numeral of such number shall be an X It shall be unlawful under any circumstances to operate a motor vehicles under a dealer's registration unless both number tags are displayed as is provided in this act Provided That not more than ten certificates and sets of tags shall be applied for on any single application and where a greater number of certificates and tags are desired the necessary additional applications shall be made" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 Motor vehicles owned or kept by manufacturers or dealers solely for the purpose of demonstrating testing or selling shall be exempt from the necessity of individual registration provided said manufacturer or dealer registers with the State Highway Department in the "Dealers' Class" Applications for such registration shall be made upon a blank provided for the purpose by the State Highway Department which shall set forth the full name and business address of the application and shall be verified by oath or affirmation Upon receipt of the application accompanied by the proper fee for each certificate and pair of number tags desired the State Highway Department shall issue to the applicant as many certificates of registration and pairs of number tags as may be desired such tags having thereon the number of the registration in figures not more than five (5) inches in height or in the case of dealers in motor cycles three and one-half (3½) inches in height the year and the words "Pennsylvania Dealer" or an abbreviation thereof It shall be unlawful under any circumstances to operate a motor vehicle under a dealer's registration unless both number tags are displayed as is provided in this act It shall be unlawful to use or permit the use of the tags issued under a dealer's registration on any motor vehicle other than those owned and operated by such dealer or his employes or for any other purposes than those set forth in this section

Section 4 That section five which reads

"Section 5 Upon the transfer of ownership or destruction of any motor vehicle its registration shall expire The original owner may however by proper affidavit accompanying his application register another motor vehicle upon payment of a fee of one dollar ($1) provided such motor vehicle be of equal or less horse-power or classification as that originally registered or upon payment of a fee of one dollar ($1) and the difference between the fee paid originally and that due if the motor vehicle be proprly registerable in a higher class and such owner shall be assigned the number previously issued to him unless destroyed" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 5 Upon the transfer of ownership or destruction of any motor vehicle its registration shall expire The original owner may however by proper affidavit accompany his application register another motor vehicle upon payment of a fee of one dollar ($1) provided such motor vehicle be of equal or less horse-power or classification as that originally registered or upon payment of a fee of one dollar ($1) and the difference between the fee paid originally and that due if the motor vehicle be properly registerable in a higher class and such owner shall be assigned the number previously issued to him unless destroyed

In the event of change of tires (only) from pneumatic to solid or vice versa the owner shall made affidavit to that effect upon a blank furnished by the State Highway Department and shall forward a fee of one dollar ($1) to pay for a set of license tags under the new classification together with additional fee required for increased horsepower or weight where transfer to new car of opposite classification is made transfer application to be executed and forwarded the State Highway Department together with one dollar ($1) transfer fee one dollar ($1) for set of new tags and added horse-power or weight of new vehicle if any

Section 5 That section six which reads

"Section 6 The fee for registration of a motor cycle shall be three dollars

"The fee for the registration of motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires except motor cycles and as is provided for in the dealer's class (when registration is issued prior to July of any year) shall be

"Five dollars for each motor vehicle of less than twenty horse-power

"Ten dollars for each motor vehicle of twenty and less than thirty-five horse-power

"Fifteen dollars for each motor vehicle of thirty-five and less than fifty horse-power

"Twenty dollars for each motor vehicle of fifty horse-power or more

"The fee for the registration of motor vehicles equipped with solid tires other than traction-engines shall be

"Five dollars for each motor vehicle of less than four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

"Ten dollars for each motor vehicle of four thousand pounds and less than five thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

"Fifteen dollars for each motor vehicle of five thousand and less than ten thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

"Twenty dollars for each motor vehicle of ten thousand and less than fifteen thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

"Twenty-five dollars for each motor vehicle of fifteen thousand and not more than twenty-four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle The fees for registration of vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles shall be three dollars for each such vehicle of less than ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined and five dollars for each such vehicle of more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds and less than twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined

"The fee for the registration of traction engines equipped with metal wheels shall be ten dollars up to and including twenty thousand (20,000) pounds gross weight and twenty dollars over twenty thousand (20,000) pounds and not exceeding twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds gross weight

"But no motor vehicle shall be registerable which shall exceed ninety (90) inches outside over all width of vehicle and load combined except that motor busses for carrying passengers to be used within the city limits only in cities of the first second and third classes may be registered up to one hundred (100) inches outside over all width of vehicle and load combined or shall exceed a maximum of twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load combined or shall exceed eighteen thousand (18,000) pounds maximum gross weight of vehicle and load combined upon any axle or shall exceed seven hundred and fifty (750) pounds maximum gross weight of vehicle and load combined upon any one wheel for each nominal inch of width of solid tire upon the wheel No motor vehicle self-propelled and equipped with metal tires shall be licensed as aforesaid but the owner shall upon application to the Highway Commissioner upon payment of the proper fee be given a special license subject to the rules and requirements to be established by the Highway Commissioner as provided by law Any violation of such rules shall constitute sufficient cause for revocation of such special permit

"Provided however That the Highway Commissioner shall not make restrictions prohibiting the use of traction-engines of less than twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds gross weight and one hundred inches (100) in width over all and equipped with metal cleats of width of not less than two and one-half (2½) inches and of a height not to exceed one and one-fourth (1¼) inches so placed on the drivers that not less than two (2) cleats shall touch the ground at all times

"The fees for registration when issued on or after July first shall be one-half those required above All registration shall expire after December thirty-first of the year for which issued

"The fee shall be ten dollars for each certificate and pair of number tags issued to persons registered in the dealers' class

"No license to operate shall be required nor shall any fee be charged for the registration of motor ambulances owned and used by any hospital or cruelty society nor for motor fire engines or other fire apparatus motor patrol wagons motor cycles and motor ambulances owned and used by the United States the State of Pennsylvania or any city county incorporated town borough township or duly authorized volunteer fire departments but all such vehicles shall be registered and shall display number tags as provided for in case of privately owned vehicles" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 6 The fee for registration of a motor cycle of the two or three wheeled type shall be three dollars and of the four wheeled type five dollars

The fee for the registration of motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires except motor cycles and as is provided for in the dealers' class (when registration is issued prior to July of any year) shall be

Ten dollars ($10) for each motor vehicle of less than thirty-five (35) horse-power

Fifteen dollars ($15) for each motor vehicle of thirty-five (35) and less than fifty (50) horse-power

Twenty dollars ($20) for each motor vehicle of fifty (50) horse-power or more

Fee for the registration of motor vehicles equipped with solid tires shall be

Ten dollars ($10) for each motor vehicle of less than five thousand (5,000) pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

Fifteen dollars ($15) for each motor vehicle of five thousand (5,000) and less than ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

Twenty dollars ($20) for each motor vehicle of ten thousand (10,000) and less than fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

Twenty-five dollars ($25) for each motor vehicle of fifteen thousand (15,000) and not more than twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle

The fees for registration of vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles shall be three dollars ($3) for each such vehicle of less than ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle combined and five dollars ($5) for each such vehicle of more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds and less than twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle combined

The term "pneumatic tire" as used in this section shall be construed to mean any tire containing air at greater pressure than the surrounding atmosphere and all other tires shall be considered as solid tires

No motor vehicle shall be registered which shall exceed ninety (90) inches outside over all width of vehicle and load combined except that motor busses for carrying passengers to be used within the city limits only in cities of the first second and third classes may be registered up to one hundred (100) inches outside over all width of vehicle and load combined or shall exceed a maximum of twenty-four thousand pounds (24,000) gross weight of vehicle and load combined or shall exceed eighteen thousand (18,000) pounds maximum gross weight of vehicle and load combined upon any axle or shall exceed seven hundred and fifty (750) pounds maximum gross weight of

vehicle and load combined upon any one wheel for each nominal inch of width of solid tire upon the wheel No motor vehicle self-propelled and equipped with metal tires shall be licensed as aforesaid but the owner shall upon application to the Highway Department upon payment of the proper fee be given a special license subject to the rules and requirements to be established by the Highway Commissioner provided by law Any violation of such rules shall constitute sufficient cause for revocation of such special permit

The fee shall be fifteen dollars ($15) for each certificate and pair of number tags issued to persons registered in the dealers' class except for dealers in motor cycles for whom the fee shall be five dollars ($5)

The fees for registration when issued on or after July first except for motor cycles and dealers' shall be one-half (½) those required above All registrations shall expire after December thirty-first of the year for which issued

No fee shall be charged for the registration of motor ambulances motor fire-apparatus motor patrol wagons and motor cycles used by police officers owned and used by any city county incorporated town borough township duly authorized volunteer fire department hospital humane society or anti-cruelty society nor for any motor vehicle owned by the State of Pennsylvania or the United States but all such vehicles shall be registered and shall display number tags as provided for in case of privately owned vehicles

Section 6 That section seven which reads

"Section 7 No motor vehicle except motor cycles shall be operated upon any public street or highway unless the number tags are displayed conspicuously one on the front and the other on the rear of the motor vehicle in such a manner that they may be easily read They shall at all times be parallel to the axle of the motor vehicle and shall be kept free from oil grease dirt or other substances likely to impair their legibility and shall not be defaced in any manner and between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise the rear number tag shall be illuminated so that the number can be plainly distinguished Provided however That motor cycles must display on the rear thereof the plate or marker to be furnished by the State Highway Department and to be so fastened as to be entirely unobscured and to be kept reasonably clean

Only one set of number tags shall be displayed upon any motor vehicle and except as otherwise provided in this act for non-residents no number tag shall be displayed other than that issued by the State Highway Department In case of the loss of one or both number tags or badge a new pair of tags or badge of another number than that of the lost tag or badge shall be supplied by the State Highway Department A new tag or tags or badge shall be obtained by filing with the State Highway Department upon a blank furnished by said department an affidavit reciting the loss or destruction of said tag or badge accompanied by a fee of one dollar No owner or operator of a motor vehicle shall be subject to fine or arrest by reason of one number tag or badge being missing provided that he shall make affidavit that the same has been lost destroyed or removed without his knowledge and consent within one week and that application for new tags or badge be properly made" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 7 No motor vehicle except motor cycles shall be operated upon any public street or highway unless the number tags are displayed conspicuously one on the front and the other on the rear of the motor cycle in such a manner that they may easily be read They shall at all times be parallel to the axle of the motor vehicle and shall be kept free from oil and grease dirt or other substances likely to impair their legibility and shall not be defaced in any manner and between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise the rear number tag shall be illuminated so that the number can be plainly distinguished Provided however That motor cycles must display on the rear thereof the plate or marker to be furnished by the State Highway Department and to be fastened so as to be entirely unobscured and to be kept reasonably clean

Only one set of number tags shall be displayed upon any motor vehicle and except as otherwise provided in this act for non-residents no number tag shall be displayed other than that issued by the State Highway Department In case of the loss of one or both number tags or badge a new pair of tags or badge of another number than that of the lost tag or badge shall be supplied by the State Highway Department Upon the receipt of the new tags the applicant shall return to the Highway Department for cancellation the tag or tags in his possession which were originally issued him A new tag or tags or badge shall be obtained by filing with the State Highway Department upon a blank furnished by said department an affidavit reciting the loss or destruction of said tag or badge accompanied by a fee of one dollar No owner or operator of a motor vehicle shall be subject to fine or arrest by reason of one number tag or badge being missing providing that he shall make affidavit that the same has been lost destroyed or removed without his knowledge and consent within one week and that application for new tags or badge be promptly made

Section 7 That section nine which reads

"Section 9 Every person desiring to operate a motor vehicles as a paid operator or who is an employee of the owner or custodian thereof shall first obtain a driver's license Application for the license shall be made upon a blank furnished by the Highway Department and shall contain the full name of the applicant with his place of residence and shall state that said applicant is over eighteen years of age and is qualified to operate a motor vehicle It shall be signed by the applicant and verified by oath or affirmation

"Upon receipt of the application and fee of two dollars ($2) the State Highway Department shall issue to the applicant a driver's license and badge The license shall contain the licensee's name and residence and the date and number of the license It shall be carried by the licensee at all times when operating a motor vehicle Upon the badge shall be the words "Pennsylvania Licensed Driver" the year and the number of the license which it accompanies It shall not be less than two and one-half (2½) inches in its greatest diameter and shall be conspicuously worn on the front of the outer garment of the licensee at all times when said licensee is operating a motor vehicle All such licenses shall expire after December thirty-first of the year issued

"Every person other than a paid operator owner custodian or employe desiring to operate a motor vehicle shall make application to the State Highway Department upon a blank furnished by the department for a license card which shall be furnished free of charge to the applicant and which shall expire upon the thirty-first day of December of the year in which it was issued" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 9 Every person desiring to operate a motor vehicles as a paid operator or who is an employee of the owner or custodian thereof shall first obtain a driver's license Application for the license shall be made upon a blank furnished by the Highway Department and shall contain the full name of the applicant with his place of residence and shall state that said applicant is eighteen (18) years of age or over is qualified to operate a motor vehicle is not mentally or physically incapacitated and shall clearly set forth any physical defect or disability which might disqualify the applicant from operating a motor vehicle It shall be signed by the applicant and verified by oath or affirmation

Upon receipt of the application and fee of two dollars ($2) the State Highway Department shall issue to the applicant a driver's license and badge The license shall contain the licencee's name and residence and the date and number of the license but shall not be valid until the licensee's signature is attached thereto It shall be carried by the licensee at all times when operating a motor vehicle Upon the badge shall be the words "Pennsylvania Licensed Driver" the year and the number of the license which it accompanies It shall be not more than two and one-half (2 1-2) inches in its greatest diameter and shall be conspicuously worn on the front of the outer garment of the licensee at all times when said licensee is operating a motor vehicle All such licenses shall expire after December thirty-first of the year issued

Every person other than a paid operator desiring to operate a motor vehicle shall make application to the State Highway Department upon a blank furnished by the department which shall contain the full name of the applicant with his place of residence shall state that said applicant is sixteen years of age or over is qualified to operate a motor vehicle is not mentally or physically incapacitated and shall clearly set forth any physical defect or disability which might disqualify him from operating a motor vehicle It shall be signed by the applicant and verified by oath or affirmation

Upon receipt of the application and fee of one dollar ($1) the State Highway Department shall issue to the applicant a driver's license which shall expire after the thirty-first day of December of the year in which it was issued Such license shall not be valid until the licensee's signature is attached thereto

The Highway Commissioner shall issue Learners' Permits to persons sixteen (16) years of age or over desiring to learn to operate a motor vehicle Such permits shall be issued for a period of thirty (30) days but shall be valid only while such person is accompanied by a licensed driver The charge for such permit shall be fifty (50) cents

Section 8 That section eleven which reads

"Section 11 The Highway Commissioner may at his discretion revoke or suspend upon hearing after due notice in writing mailed to his address as stated in his application of the proposed revocation and the grounds therefor for any period up to one year the registration of any car or the license of any driver upon reasonable grounds for improper conduct in operating a motor vehicle No person to whom the registration of a motor vehicle has been refused or revoked shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon the public highways of this State No person shall knowingly permit any motor vehicle which he may own to be driven by any other person whose license has been revoked or by any person to whom registration for a motor vehicle has been refused or whose registration of a motor vehicle has been revoked

"The State Highway Commissioner shall issue printed monthly bulletins giving name and address of each applicant for license together with the number of license issued to said applicant and shall furnish same free of charge to mayors burgesses police magistrates chiefs of police aldermen and justices of the peace and shall furnish at a nominal fee said bulletins to all other applicants for the same" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 11 The Highway Commissioner may at his discretion revoke or suspend upon hearing after due notice in writing mailed to his address as stated in his application of the proposed revocation and the grounds therefor the registration of any car or the license of any driver upon reasonable grounds for improper conduct in operating a motor vehicle and may also refuse to issue a license to any applicant who in his estimation is an improper person to operate a motor vehicle No person

to whom the registration of a motor vehicle has been refused or revoked shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon the public highways of this State No person shall knowingly permit any motor vehicle which he may own to be driven by any other person whose license has been revoked or by any person to whom registration for a motor vehicle has been refused or whose registration of a motor vehicle has been revoked

The State Highway Commissioner shall issue printed monthly bulletins giving name and address of each applicant for license together with the number of license issued to said applicant and the name and manufacturers' number of the vehicle registered and shall furnish same free of charge to mayors burgesses police magistrates chiefs of police aldermen and justices of the peace and shall furnish at a nominal fee said bulletin to all other applicants for the same

Section 9 That section twelve which reads

"Section 12 The provisions of the foregoing sections relative to license and registration and the display of number tags shall not apply to a motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this State other than a foreign corporation doing business in the State Provided That the owner thereof shall have complied with the provisions of the law of the foreign country State territory or federal district of his residence relative to the registration of motor vehicles and the display of number tags thereon and shall conspicuously display the registration numbers as required thereby The provisions of this section however shall be operative as to a motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this State only to the extent that under the laws of the foreign country state territory or federal district of his residence like exemption and privileges are granted to motor vehicles duly registered under the laws of and owned by residents of this State No person who is mentally or physically incapacitated shall be permitted to operate a motor vehicle on the public highways of this State and if any such person shall have obtained a license it shall be void" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 12 The provisions of the foregoing sections relative to license and registration and the display of number tags shall not apply to motor vehicles owned by a non-resident of this State other than a foreign corporation doing business in the State Provided That the owner thereof shall have complied with the provisions of the law of the foreign country State territory or federal district of his residence relative to the registration of motor vehicles and the display of number tags thereon and shall conspicuously display the registration numbers are required thereby The provisions of this section however shall be operative as to a motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this State only to the extent that under the laws of the foreign country State territory or federal district of his residence like exemption and privileges are granted to motor vehicles duly registered under the laws of and owned by residents of this State No person who is mentally or physically incapacitated shall be permitted to operate a motor vehicle on the public highways of this State Any person who has lost one hand or both qr who has lost the use of one hand or both or who has lost both feet or who has lost the use of both feet or whose eyesight is so impaired that with the aid of glasses he cannot distinguish objects clearly at a distance of one hundred and fifty (150) feet or who shall have lost within twenty (20) per cent of normal visage or who shall have less than two (2) per centum of normal hearing shall be considered physically incapacitated and if any such person shall have obtained a license it shall be void Provided That the Highway Commissioner may at his discretion issue special licenses to persons otherwise disqualified under the term of this act to operate specially constructed motor vehicles

Section 10 That section thirteen which reads

"Section 13 Every motor vehicle shall be provided when in use with good and sufficient brakes and with a horn bell or other signal device Motor vehicle shall from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise show at least two white lights visible not less than two hundred (200) feet in the direction in which the motor vehicle is proceeding Providing however That motor cycles need display only one white light visible in the direction in which they are proceeding

"Every operator of a motor vehicle shall sound his horn bell or signal device giving reasonable warning of his approach whenever necessary to insure the safety of other users of the highways and also when aproaching a street or road crossings dangerous curve in any of the cities boroughs or townships of this Commonwealth where the proper authorities shall have erected signs easily readible from the highway and at right angles thereto bearing therein in letters at least five (5) inches in height the words "Danger blow your horn" The unnecessary sounding of bells horns or other signal devices the unnecessary use of muffler cut outs of their use when approaching or passing any other vehicle or animal of draft or burden is prohibited When signaled to do so by the driver of any horse or other animal of draft or burden the operator of a motor vehicle shall stop if circumstances require it shall stop his engine until the danger has been avoided When overtaken by any other vehicle legally traveling at a greater speed the operator or driver of any motor vehicle when signaled to do so shall turn reasonably to the right of the center of the highway allowing the other vehicle free passage to the left No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth having metal spurs or lugs or other metal projections more than three-fourths (¾) of an inch in length upon the tires thereof except upon natural earth roads or when the streets are covered with ice or snow so that the safety of other users of the highway makes it necessary" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 13 Every motor vehicle shall be provided when in use with good and sufficient brakes and with a horn bell or other signal device

Every motor vehicle that is so constructed or so covered as to prevent the driver or operator thereof from having a sufficient view of the traffic shall be equipped with some device that will show the driver the road to the rear

Motor vehicles shall from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise whether standing or in motion upon any public highway show at least two white lights visible not less than two hundred (200) feet in the direction in which the motor vehicle is proceeding Provided however That motor cycles to which no side car is attached need display only one white light visible in the direction in which they are proceeding

Every motor vehicle including motor cycles shall also display one red light visable from the rear but if a trailer qr trailers is attached to such motor vehicle a red light shall be displayed on such trailer or on the last trailer if there be more than one and the registration tag on the rear of every motor vehicle shall be clearly illuminated from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise

Whenever there is not sufficient light within the limits of the highway to clearly reveal persons vehicles or substantial objects within the limit of one hundred and fifty feet (150) the front light on every motor vehicle shall when the vehicle is in motion clearly illuminate the road for a distance of at least one hundred and fifty (150) feet in front of such vehicles and for five (5) feet to the side of such vehicle at a point ten (10) feet ahead of the lamps On no motor vehicle shall there be displayed more than two lights equipped with reflectors in which electric bulbs of more than forty (40) candle-power are used and such lights shall be so arranged designed or deflected that no portion of the beam of reflected light when measured seventy-five (75) feet or more ahead of the lamps, shall arise above forty-two (42) inches from the level surface on which the vehicle stands

No movable searchlight or spotlight with focused rays shall be used on the left side of any motor vehicle The rays of light from any such light shall not extend to the left of the center of the highway and shall not illuminate the roadway for a greater distance than fifty (50) feet ahead of the vehicle to which it is attached

The term "beam of reflected light" as used in this section shall be construed to mean the approximately parallel focalized rays gathered and projected by a reflector lens or other device

Every operator of a motor vehicle shall sound his horn bell or signal device giving reasonable warning of his approach whenever necessary to insure the safety of other users of the highways and also when approaching a street or road crossing dangerous curve in any of the cities boroughs or townships of this Commonwealth where the proper authorities shall have erected signs easily readable from the highway and at right angles thereto bearing thereon in letters at least five inches in height the words "Danger blow your horn" provided that such signs may not be erected at street or road crosssings where a full view to the right and the left is unobstructed

The unnecessary sounding of bells horns or other signal devices and the unnecessary use of muffler cutouts or their use when approaching or passing any other vehicle or animal of draft or burden is prohibited When signaled to do so by the driver of any horse or other animal of draft or burden the operator of a motor vehicle shall stop and if circumstances require it shall stop his engine until the danger has been avoided When meeting or when overtaken by any other vehicle legally traveling at a greater speed the operator or driver of any motor vehicle when signaled to do so shall turn reasonably to the right of the center of the highway allowing the other vehicle free passage to the left No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth having metal spurs or lugs or other metal projections more than three-fourths (¾) of an inch in length upon the tires thereof except upon natural earth roads or when the streets are covered with ice or snow so that the safety of other users of the highway makes it necessary

No person shall hang on to or ride on the rear end of of any motor vehicle and no person on a bicyle roller skates or any similar device shall hold fast to or hitch on to any moving motor vehicle No unauthorized person shall blow the horn handle the leavers or in any way tamper with or deface any motor vehicle standing upon any public highway

Section 11 That section fifteen which reads

"Section 15 No city county borough incorporated town or township shall adopt enforce or maintain any ordinance rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the terms of this Act or fix a rate of speed lower than that permitted by this act or require of any person any license tax upon or registration fee for any motor vehicle or any permit or license to operate motor vehicles upon the public highways except that in parks the proper authorities may restrict the speed of motor vehicles to such a rate as may seem reasonable provided said rate of speed shall not be less than that allowed other vehicles and that legible signs shall be conspicuously placed indicating the rate of speed permitted Operators of motor vehicles shall have the same rights upon the public streets and highways as the drivers of any other vehicles and no public road open to horsedrawn

vehicles shall be closed to motor vehicles" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 15 No city county borough incorporated town or township shall adopt enforce or maintain any ordinance rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the terms of this act or fix a rate of speed lower than that permitted by this act or retain any fines for violation of the provisions of this act except as provided in section twenty-two of the act to which this is an amendment or require of any person any license tax upon or registration fee for any motor vehicle or any permit or license to operate motor vehicles upon the public highways except that in parks the proper authorities may restrict the speed of motor vehicles to such a rate as may seem reasonable provided said rate of speed shall not be less than that allowed other vehicles and that legible signs shall be conspicuously placed indicating the rate of speed permitted

Operators of motor vehicles shall have the same rights upon the public streets and highways as the drivers of any other vehicle and no public road open to horse drawn vehicles shall be closed to motor vehicles

Section 12 That section sixteen which reads

"Section 16 Any person operating a motor vehicle when intoxicated shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment for not more than one year or both at the discretion of the court" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 16 Any person operating a motor vehicle when intoxicated or under the influence of any narcotic or habit producing drug or any person taking any part in any race or speed contest for a prize or wager or otherwise upon any public highway or attempting to establish or lower any speed record upon any public highway shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment for not more than one (1) year or both at the discretion of the court and upon the certification of such conviction by the clerk of the court to the State Highway Commissioner he shall revoke the license of any person so convicted or the registration of the car owned by him

Section 13 That section seventeen which reads

"Section 17 Any person operating a motor vehicle under any other number than that of its registration or any person operating any motor vehicle without the consent of the owner thereof or any person operating a motor vehicle the registration of which has been revoked or suspended shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 17 Any person operating a motor vehicle under any other number than that of its registration or displaying altered or false registration tags or any person whether an employe or not operating any motor vehicle without the consent of the owner thereof or any person operating a motor vehicle the registration of which has been revoked or suspended shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court and upon certification of such conviction by the clerk of the court to the State Highway Commissioner he may revoke the license of any person so convicted provided such person is a licensee

Section 14 That section eighteen which reads

"Section 18 All operators of motor vehicles shall upon request or signal of any constable or police officer who shall be in uniform or shall exhibit his badge or other sign of authority stop and exhibit their registration certificate or license if so required and shall furnish to any legally constituted authority all information in their possession as to the identity of the operator or owner of any motor vehicle" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 18 All operators of motor vehicles shall upon request or signal of any constable agent of the Highway Department or police officer who shall be in uniform or who shall exhibit his badge or other sign of authority stop and exhibit their registration certificate or license if so required and shall furnish to any legally constituted authority all information in their possession as to the identity of the operator or owner of any motor vehicle

Section 15 That section twenty which reads

"Section 20 In any proceeding for the violation of provisions of this act the registered number displayed on the motor vehicle shall be prima facie evidence that the owner of said vehicle was then operating the same Provided however that if at any hearing or proceeding the owner shall testify under oath or affirmation that he was not operating the said car at the time of the alleged violation of this act and shall submit himself to an examination as to who at that time was operating the car and reveal the name of the person if known then the prima facie evidence arising from the registered number shall be overcome and removed and the burden of proof shifted" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 20 In any proceeding for the violation of the provisions of this act the registered number displayed on the motor vehicle shall be prima facie evidence that the owner of the said vehicle was then operating the same Provided however That if at any hearing or proceeding the owner shall testify under oath or affirmation that he was not operating the said car at the time of the alleged violation of this act and shall submit himself to an examination as to who at that time was operating the car and reveal the name of the peson if known or shall forward to the magistrate or justice of the peace an affidavit setting forth these facts then the prima facie evidence arising from the registered number shall be overcome and removed and the burden of proof shifted

Section 16 That section twenty-one which reads

"Section 21 Any person—except as provided in sections sixteen and seventeen—violating any of the provisions of this act shall be subject to a fine or penalty of not less than ten dollars ($10) nor more than twenty-five dollars ($25) to be collected by summary conviction before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace as like fines and penalties are now by law collected or in case of non-payment of a fine within forty-eight (48) hours bail in double the amount of fine and costs being first entered to undergo an imprisonment in the county prison for a period not exceeding ten (10) days Provided That any person so accused may waive such summary trial or hearing and secure the right of trial by jury before the court of quarter sessions of the peace for the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed by depositing with the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace to whom complaint has been made or before whom he is taken a sum in double the amount of the fine and costs which might be imposed or by entering security to pay the same Any person or persons previously convicted before a court of quarter sessions or magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of this Commonwealth for any violation of the provisions of this act shall upon conviction of a second offense within a period of one year be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25) nor more than fifty dollars ($50) or in case of non-payment of such fine to undergo an imprisonment in the county prison for a period not exceeding twenty (20) days Any person or persons previously convicted before a magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of this Commonwealth for any violation of the provisions of this act shall upon conviction of a third or subsequent offense within a period of one year be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50) nor more than two hundred dollars ($200) or in case of non-payment of such fine to undergo an imprisonment in the county prison for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days Any person or persons accused of a second or subsequent offense shall have the right to a trial by jury in the same manner and upon the same condition as is provided for in the case of persons accused of a first offense Provided That if after convicion before a magistrate alderman or justice of the peace the accused desires to appeal to the court of quarter sessions he shall be entitled to do so according to law as in other cases of summary conviction provided he gives a bond conditioned upn securing and prosecuting the appeal with affect or otherwise to secure payment of the fine imposed Proceedings under this act may also be commenced by the issuance of a warrant in the name of the Commonwealth which warrant may be served by a constable policeman or other officer having authority to serve warrants in any part of the Commonwealth and a copy of the affidavit or information shall be served with such warrant Any officer serving such warrant shall take the defendant before a magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of the county in which the defendant is found who shall take bail for his appearance before the magistrate or justice of the peace who issued the warrant or for a trial by jury in accordance with the provisions of this act.

"All money articles of value or motor vehicles deposited with any magistrate or justice of the peace as provided in this act shall be returned to the defendants upon the termination of the cause or upon the certificate of the district attorney of the county in which the action is brought" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 21 Any person except as provided in section three sixteen seventeen and this section violating any of the provisions of this act shall be subject to a fine or penalty of not less than ten dollars ($10) nor more than twenty-five dollars ($25) to be collected by summary conviction before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace as like fine and penaltie sare now by law collected or in case of non-payment of a fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county prison for a period not exceeding ten (10) days Provided That any person so convicted shall have the right of appeal as in other cases of summary conviction and Provided further That any person accused of violating any of the provisions of this act may waive the summary hearing and give bond in a sum not less than fifty dollars ($50) nor more than one hundred dollars ($100) for appearance for trial before a judge in the court of quarter sessions or in the county court or in the municipal court in counties where any such courts exist and thereupon said magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall within fifteen (15) days return the complaint or information to said court and if any person so accused shall be convicted in said court of the offense charged he shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten dollars ($10) nor more than twenty-five ($25) or in case on non-payment of such fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding ten (10) days

Any person previously convicted of violating any of the provisions of this act upon conviction of any second or subsequent violation within a period of six (6) months of such first conviction shall be sentenced by the magistrate alderman justice of the peace or court to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25) nor more than

fifty dollars ($50) or in case of non-payment of such fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding twenty (20) days Provided That any person so accused of any second or subsequent violation of the provisions of this act shall have the same right of appeal or may waive summary hearing in the same manner and upon the same conditions as is provided in cases of first violation Proceedings under this act may be commenced by warrant issued in the name of the Commonwealth which may be served by a constable policeman or other officer having authority to serve warrants in any part of the county in which the violation is alleged to have occurred but if the person charged cannot be served within the county at the time such warrant is issued then the constable policeman or officer to whom the said warrant is directed shall deputize a constable policeman or other officer having legal authority to serve warrants of the county wherein the person charged resides or may be found who shall serve such warrant and for such service shall receive the usual fees and expenses therefor as is allowed by law for such service

A copy of the information shall be served with such warrant and the officer serving such warrant shall take the defendant before the nearest magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of the county in which the defendant is found who shall take appeal either for the defendant's appearance before the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace who issued the warrant or for the defendant's appearance for trial in the proper court if a summary hearing is waived

All informations charging violations of any of the provisions of this act except as provided in sections three sixteen seventeen and this section shall be brought within two weeks after the commission of the alleged violation and not after and within the period of seven days thereafter said magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall mail to the person so charged at the proper residence address as shown by the records of the State Highway Department a notice in writing of the issuing of the warrant together with a copy of the information and if the person named in the warrant shall not within ten (10) days thereafter voluntarily appear the warrant may be served as herein provided within thirty (30) days after the mailing of said notice Provided That if any person named in such warrant shall be absent from his place of residence or cannot be found then such warrant may be served at any time within ten (10) days after his return to his place of residence

All money articles of value or motor vehicles deposited with any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace or court as provided in this act shall be returned to the defendant immediately upon the termination of the cause

No alderman magistrate or justice of the peace shall try any case except upon warrant duly prepared in the form required by law which shall be preserved with the other papers pertaining to his office and no such alderman magistrate or justice of the peace shall collect any fine or costs in any case involving a violation of this act until he has completed the entries pertaining therto in his docket kept for the making of his records and all such dockets shall be preserved and be subject to inspection by any person upon demand.

Aldermen magistrates and justices of the peace shall deliver without charge to the accused a receipt showing in detail the amount of fine and costs imposed upon and paid by such accused

No alderman magistrate or justice of the peace shall divide the fines of his office with any constable sheriff or other officer or with any individual not a constable or officer who may assist in making an arrest or furnishing evidence in a case arising under this act

No constable shall under any circumstances receive or attempt to collect any fine charge or deposit of collateral for appearance in any case involving a violation of this act

Any alderman magistrate justice of the peace constable or other officer violating any provision of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor in office and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred ($100) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500) or imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding sixty (60) days or both at the discretion of the court also to removal from office

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 622, entitled

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred three, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessment and the reassessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property and fixing the time for the return thereof," by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of a triennial assessment.

be recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 130, entitled

An Act to transfer from the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace and grant exclusively to the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth and in counties having a population of more than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants to an excise commission to be appointed by the judges of the courts of common pleas the power to grant, renew, extend, transfer and revoke licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous, spirituous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof, providing for and directing the granting of licenses by such county commissioners or excise commissioners and the issuance of the same by the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace, limiting the number of new licenses to be granted by the said county commissioners or excise commissioners, fixing the compensation of the said county commissioners for the additional services required of them under this act and the compensation of the excise commissioners, authorizing the said county commissioners or excise commissioners to employ and pay for clerical assistance to keep a record of proceedings and to make rules of procedure to enable them to carry out the provisions hereof and directing mercantile appraisers and constables to make their returns regarding liquor licenses to said county commissioners or excise commissioners instead of to the courts of quarter sessions of the peace.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 551 (House Bill No. 262), entitled

A supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies," approved the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 725, entitled

An Act requiring cities of the second class to give an increase of at least one hundred and fifty dollars per year to all employes now drawing a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum or less and providing a method to enforce the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 728, entitled

An Act conferring upon certain corporations the right to take and appropriate lands and waters for the erection of dams and reservoirs and the transportation of water for irrigating farm lands.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 741, entitled

An Act to provide for a stadium in cities of the first class.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 767, entitled

An Act defining consolidation of schools; providing for the establishment and regulation of consolidated schools and providing for State aid for the transportation of pupils to and from consolidated schools.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 784, entitled

An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to appoint one clerk who shall be an expert stenographer and four stenographers and fixing their salaries.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL ON FIRST READING.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 782 (House Bill No. 775), entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with Article five Section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth

be read the first time.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 782 (House Bill No. 775), entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas of the County of Philadelphia in accordance with Article five Section seven of the Constitution of this Comonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the first time.

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION PLEDGING THE RESOURCES OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA IN ORDER TO CARRY ON WAR AGAINST THE IMPERIAL GERMAN GOVERNMENT AND TO BRING THE CONFLICT TO A SUCCESSFUL TERMINATION.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced presented for concurrence resolution from the House of Representatives as follows:

In the House of Representatives, April 10, 1917.

Whereas, The Imperial German Government has committed repeated acts of war against the Government and the people of the United States of America; and

Whereas, The Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled have formally declared that a state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government exists; therefore be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That in order to carry on war against the Imperial German Government and to bring the conflict to a successful termination all the resources of the State of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged by this Legislature

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee, be dispensed with, in order that the resolution may be considered at this time.

Mr. P. W. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 10, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

John M. Davies, Pittsburgh, April 15, 1917.
George R. Cain, Pittsburgh, April 29, 1917.

BUCKS COUNTY.

Edward T. Clucas, Falls Township., April 16, 1917.

BUTLER COUNTY.

Calvin P. Hawks, Slippery Rock, April 13, 1917.

ERIE COUNTY.

C. R. Powell, Corry, April 23, 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 10, 1917.

The Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation

ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

J. W. Cree, Jr., Pittsburgh.
Paris B. Reeves, Pittsburgh.

CHESTER COUNTY.

H. Morgan Ruth, Malvern.

LUZERNE COUNTY.

William H. Poad, Wilkes-Barre.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

William J. Seymour, Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Carlo A. Battaglini, E. Bethlehem Twp.

YORK COUNTY.

Stephen T. Bastian, Hanover.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. VARE,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—47.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Graff, W. P.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CROW offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April sixtenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvenes on Monday evening April sixteenth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SPROUL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 819, entitled

An Act to amend an act aproved the 25th day of July, A. D. 1913, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of the Pennsylvania Historical Commission; defining its powers and duties; and making an appropriation for its work," by enlarging its powers and duties and providing for publishing its report, etc.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 820, entitled

An Act authorizing manufacturing corporations now or hereafter organized under the laws of this State to engage in the production of necessary raw materials for such manufacturing purposes

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 821. entitled

An Act authorizing corporations now or hereafter organized under the laws of this Commonwealth for the purpose of manufacturing to own and operate certain conveyances for the transportation of raw materials and the products manufactured therefrom

Which was committed to the Committee on Corporations

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 822, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the 25th day of July, 1913, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State institution for the detention, care and treatment of inebriates, or persons habitually addicted to the use of alcoholic drink or intoxicating drugs, to be called the State Institution for Inebriates, and making an appropriation therefor," making an appropriation and providing for the admission of patients to said institution

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 394 (House Bill No. 266), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act, approved the fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register, clerks and employes in the office of Register of Wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over,' so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register clerks and employes of the office of Register of Wills of said counties.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. SCHANTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 768, entitled

An Act providing a method of establishing title to land acquired at a sale for unpaid taxes

RECESS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 745, entitled

An Act to validate affidavits, acknowledgments and other notarial acts, heretofore performed by notaries public of this Commonwealth, within three months after the expiration of the time for which they have been commissioned to act.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 817, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act establishing in counties containing a population of from eight hundred thousand to one million four hundred thousand, a Board for the Assessment and Revision of Taxes for State and County purposes, prescribing the method of their appointment, their powers and duties; fixing their salary, to be paid by the proper county ;and abolishing the office of ward, borough and township assessors, in so far as respects the assessment of State and county taxes;" by changing the pay of subordinate assessors from four to five dollars per day.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 813, entitled

An Act relating to the assessment and payment of damages to owners of property abutting on State Highways in certain counties, damaged by a change of the existing lines and location of such State Highway; imposing certain powers and duties upon the Highway Commissioner and the county commissioners, and providing for the payment of such damages by such counties.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE TO GUARD AND PROTECT THE CAPITOL BUILDING.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to offer a resolution at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BUCKMAN offered the following resolution, which was twice read as follows:

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly that during this unsettled condition resulting from the state of war with the government of Germany, the State Capitol building should be efficiently guarded and protected, and to that

end it directs the Department of State Police to detail a sufficient number of State Constabulary to properly and efficiently guard and protect the Capitol building.

Mr. BUCKMAN. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committees, be dispensed with, in order to consider the resolution just read.

Mr. CROW. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 818, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Mr. DAIX. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. DAIX, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 797, entitled

An Act to ascertain and fix the fees to be received by the several clerks of the courts of oyer and terminer, general jail delivery, and quarter sessions of the peace of this Commonwealth in counties having a population of over one million five hundred thousand.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 553 (House Bill No. 295), entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-four) entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,' " as amended, by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. CATLIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 823, entitled

An Act validating proceedings by town councils in boroughs for the paving and curbing of public highways, and validating municipal liens filed therefor

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 676, on third reading postponed for the present, entitled

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth providing for a review by the Courts of Common Pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and the filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the fire marshals

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 676, entitled

An Act conferring certain powers upon fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth providing for a review by the Courts of Common Pleas of the orders of the fire marshals and the filing of liens for the cost of removal of nuisances regulating the adjustment of fire losses and providing fines and penalties for violations of the orders of the fire marshals

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 677, on third reading postponed for the present, entitled

An Act conferring upon the County Commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal has been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals and to furnish necessary equipment stationery and clerk hire therefor

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 677, entitled

An Act conferring upon the County Commissioners in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal has been established under existing laws the power to provide suitable offices for said fire marshals and to furnish necessary equipment stationery and clerk hire therefor

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 678, on third reading, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy and assistant fire marshals and to fix the salaries of the fire marshals and the deputies and assistant fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 678, entitled

An Act to provide for the appointment of deputy and assistant fire marshals and to fix the salaries of the fire marshals and the deputies and assistant fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth wherein the office of fire marshal shall have been established under existing laws.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now resume the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 679, on third reading, postponed for the present, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate resumed the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 679, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering fire marshals in counties in this Commonwealth to designate and appoint a solicitor prescribing the duties of such solicitor and fixing his term of appointment and salary

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I move that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 12:27 o'clock P. M. until Wednesday morning, April 11, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, April 10, 1917.

The House met at 11 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Rev. T. T. Mutchler, of Philadelphia, offered the following prayer:

Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the privilege of living at this time with the opportunities that are before us and the responsibilities that rest upon us. May each one of us be conscious that we are not only living but that we must give an account for what we do while amid this life.

Direct us by Thy counsel and may we do the things that will meet Thy approval as well as our own.

We ask Thy blessing upon the President of this United States and all associated with him; direct them that they shall act wisely and well. May Thy blessing rest upon the Speaker of this House and all associated in this legislative body.

Lead us by Thy counsel; guide us by Thy word; direct us in what we shall do by Thy spirit; and, when we shall finish this little life below, gather us at home in the celestial city.

This, with all else we need, we ask for Jesus sake. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. McVicar, the further reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. WOBENSMITH. House Bill No. 1379.

An Act making an apprpriation to the Providence General Hospital located at Germantown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DEAN. House Bill No. 1380.

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to provide revenue by taxation."

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CANON. House Bill No. 1381.

An Act validating certain borough ordinances providing for certain street improvements and the liens and bonds imposed and issued in pursuance thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 1382.

An Act to increase the food supply of Pennsylvania during the continuance of the present food shortage, by authorizing the Governor to appoint a commission to purchase and distribute certain seeds to farmers and planters; providing for the return of such seed or its equivalent in cash and for the sale of returned seed; and making an appropriation.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. DELL. House Bill No. 1383.

An Act authorizing supervisors of townships of the second class, with the assent of the electors' thereof, to erect fire hydrants.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. SARIG. House Bill No. 1384.

An Act making an appropriation for the purchase of a collection of Indian relics for the Pennsylvania State Museum.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. McCURDY. House Bill No. 1385.

An Act to prohibit the shooting, maiming or wounding pigeons thrown or liberated from a trap.

Referred to the Committee on Law and Order.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 1386.

An Act to amend article thirteen of the act aproved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such a revenue and repealing all laws general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto sections thirteen hundred twenty-five, thirteen hundred twenty-six and thirteen hundred twenty-seven.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SARIG. House Bill No. 1387.

An Act providing for the payment of the cost of the erection, maintenance and repair of County bridges entirely on the route of a State highway by the Commonwealth and the respective Counties; and requiring the State Highway Department to erect, maintain and repair all such bridges.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 1388.

An Act amending chapter seven, article six, sections fourteen, sixteen, seventeen and twenty-one of an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws there hundred twelve), entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs and revising, amending and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. POWELL. House Bill No. 1389.

An Act establihsing in the several jails, prisons and penitentiaries the Bertillion methods for the identification of criminals; imposing certain duties upon the warden of the Western Penitentiary;and authorizing county commissioners to provide measuring instruments and cabinets for the filing of cards and photographic plates at the expense of the county.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. House Bill No. 1390.

An Act authorizing Cambria County to bring suit against the Commonwealth in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. MILNER. House Bill No. 1391.

An Act to amend section five of an act, approved the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred seventy-nine, entitled "An Act relating to mutual saving fund, building and loan associations, regulating the mode of charging premiums, bonus or interest in advance, of withdrawals, of re-payment and collection of loans, also restricting the power of levy excessive fines, and defining the rights and liabilities of married women stockholders, and prescribing the non-application to these associations of the bonus tax and registry laws for corporations.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. BOVEE. House Bill No. 1392.

An Act to amend article twenty of the act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such a revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" by adding thereto section two thousand and forty.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. McCAIG. House Bill No. 1393.

An Act making an appropriation tothe Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania for the purpose of co-operating with the Government of the United States in making investigations, examinations and surveys and in preparing plans and estimates of cost with a view of devising and carrying into effect plans for controlling the flood waters of rivers of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EDGAR R. SMITH. House Bill No. 1394.

An Act to amend section eight of an act, approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. COOK. House Bill No. 1395.

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the counties of York and Cumberland.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 1396.

An Act to amend Article six of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," by adding thereto section six hundred and forty-one.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 1397.

An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. SINCLAIR. House Bill No. 1398.

An Act to amend an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. FOWLER. House Bill No. 1399.

An Act making an appropriation to St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CORBIN. House Bill No. 1400.

An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

Referred to the Committee on Judicial Apportionment.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 1401.

An Act to provide for the regulation of rag shops, second hand paper shops and junk shops, in cities of the first class and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. FRANKLIN. House Bill No. 1402.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to permit of the relocation of certain portions of the track of street passenger railway companies, with the consent of the local authorities," approved the ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Referred to the Committee on Electric Railways.

By Mr. RININGER. House Bill No. 1403.

An Act defining the water resources of the Commonwealth; providing for the making of a comprehensive survey thereof by the Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania; vesting in said Commission certain powers and duties; providing penalties for violation of this act, and making an appropriation to carry the same into effect.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. JENNINGS. House Bill No. 1404.

An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of an animal rescue league in and for any city, borough or township within this Commonwealth; prohibiting and city, borough or township in and for which an animal rescue league is incorporated from collecting and disposing of lost and stray animals and animals running at large; and authorizing any such city, borough or township to make appropriations to the animal rescue league in and for the same.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 1405.

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations,' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, providing for the incorporation and regulation of electric light, heat and power companies," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, by giving to electric light, heat and power companies the right of eminent domain.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 1406.

An Act imposing a tax on premiums of insurance and reinsurance in foreign insurance companies and associations not registered in this Commonwealth; providing the method of collection of such tax, and imposing penalties.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. GANS. House Bill No. 1407.

An Act fixing the salaries of deputies, clerks, solicitors, stenographers, janitors and other empolyes of the sheriff in counties containing a population of more than one million four hundred thousand inhabitants

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 1408.

An Act to amend sections one and three of an act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred nine, entitled "An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; prescribing penalties for its violation, and repealing an act, entitled 'An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; providing for its enforcement, and prescribing penalties for its violation,' approved the twenty-fifth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one."

Referred to the Committe on Agriculture.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. HORNE. House Bill No. 1282.

An Act to fix, regulate and establish the fees to be charged and received by constables in this Commonwealth.

Re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. SIGGINS. House Bill No. 1378.

An Act to amend sections thirteen and seventeen of an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at election with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," by changing the time of deciding the tie votes, and the time permitted for the withdrawal of candidates.

Re-referred to the Committee on Elections.

REPORT OF ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.

The SPEAKER. The Chair presents the Report of the Economy and Efficiency Commission which will be read by the Clerk.

The Clerk then read the report as follows:

Harrisburg, April 9, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In accordance with the provisions of a resolution of the General Assembly approved June 17, A. D. 1915, P. L. 1082, I have the honor to herewith transmit a report of the Economy and Efficiency Commission of Pennsylvania.

(Signed) MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH,
Chairman.

The SPEAKER. Ths report will be noted in to-day's Journal, and printed in the Appendix of the Legislative Journal.

(For report see Appendix.)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BENCHOFF, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 1375, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of county commissioners in the counties of this Commonwealth.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 1144, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of the several counties, or the town councils of the several boroughs, of this Commonwealth, or both, to appropriate annually a sufficient sum of money to each Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, in their respective counties or boroughs, to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day," as amended; by requiring the commissioners to make appropriations also to Memorial Day or similar organizations where there was heretofore an established post.

Mr. DAWSON, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 418, entitled

An Act fixing the fees of the recorder of deeds in counties containing a population of not less than two hundred thousand, nor more than five hundred thousand inhabitants.

Mr. CHRISTMAN, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as amended House Bill No. 946, entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to repay moneys collected on forfeited recognizances in certain cases.

Mr. CHRISTMAN, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 589, entitled

An Act to amend section eight of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred thirty-six), entitled "An Act for the taxation of dogs and the protection of sheep."

Mr. CHRISTMAN, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 758, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the clerk of the county commissioners in counties having a population between one hundred thousand and one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants.

Mr. LANIUS, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 902, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the third day of May, one thousand nine hundred nine, entitled "An Act amending an act, entitled 'An Act fixing salaries of county poor directors, in counties of over one hundred and fifty thousand population,' approved the eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven; by providing for compensation according to population, and granting power to employ counsel."

Mr. LANIUS, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as committed House Bill No. 903, entitled

An Act authorizing prothonotaries in counties containing over one hundred and fifty thousand and less than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint deputy prothonotaries; fixing their salary and prescribing their duties.

Mr. RUDDY, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported as amended House Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act authorizing township commissioners and township supervisors to adopt certain roads, streets and highways as public roads, and providing for their maintenance, improvement and repair.

Mr. STRAUSS, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported with negative recommendation House Bill No. 73, entitled

An Act to amend section forty-one of an act approved the fifteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred thirty-four, entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships, and county and township officers."

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Counties and Townships, reported with negative recommendation House Bill No. 163, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of county commissioners in counties of this Commonwealth.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1288, entitled

An Act to reimburse certain counties for rewards and bounties heretofore paid by such counties in good faith for the destruction of noxious animals and birds; and directing the Auditor General to draw his warrant for the payment of the same.

RESOLUTION PLEDGING THE RESOURCES OF THE STATE FOR THE SUCCESSFUL TERMINATION OF THE WAR.

Mr. SARIG offered the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Whereas, The Imperial German Government has committed repeated acts of war against the Government and the people of the United States of America; and

Whereas, The Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled have formally declared that a state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government exists; therefor be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That in order to carry on war against the Imperial German Government and to bring the conflict to a sucessful termination all the resources of the State of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged by this Legislature.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 221, entitled

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof," by including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—186.

Albee,	Fowler,	McPeake,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Baker,	Gans,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mervine,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, L.,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Black,	Gransback,	Milner,	Snyder,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Sterling,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Stites,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Clements,	Horne,	Perry,	Strauss,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Conner,	Howarth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Corbin,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wagner,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rich,	Walker,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Richards,	Wallace,
Dell,	Lohr,	Ringler,	Walter,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Robertson,	West,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wickman,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Eby,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Erdman,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Fackler,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Scott,	Zanders,
Flynn,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1111 (Senate Bill No. 492), entitled

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-minded of Western Pennsylvania at Polk, Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. RININGER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance for a further hearing

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. THEODORE CAMPBELL called up from page 10 of to-day's calendar, House Bill No. 866, File Folio 1819, bills on final passage postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 866, entitled

An Act to regulate the practice of Pharmacy and Sale of Poisons and Drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof defining the words "Drug" and "Poison" and providing for the appointment of a Board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law, and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality strength and purity.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—176.

Albee,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Gans,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Bell,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Benchoff,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Bennett,	Graham,	Milner,	Sones,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Helt,	Neary,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stern,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brumbaugh,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Taylor,
Clements,	Hough,	Reichenbacker,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Howarth,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Cook,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Corbin,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Cox,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walker,
Crosby,	Lanius,	Richards,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Walter,
Curry,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lohr,	Ross,	West,
Dawson,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dell,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Williams, G. W.
Dewey,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McCaig,	Scott,	Wylie,
Dunn,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McKay,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Siggins,	Speaker.

NAYS—2.

Rininger, Wood,

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Mr. STERN called up House Bill No. 659, File Folio 1797, from page 9 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,

The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 659, entitled

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act providing for the confiscation of certain machines and making an appropriation.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I request the sponsor of this bill to explain its provisions.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I am glad to be asked for an explanation of this bill. I will give it briefly: This bill provides an annual tax of one dollar on all slot machines that take in pennies and coins of that denomination; an annual tax of two dollars on all machines that take in over a penny up to five cents, and five dollars that take in over or from five cents up. The idea is that there are thousands of machines automatically vending merchandise, or giving service of some description, all through the State of Pennsylvania that belong to individuals and corporations most of whom are not paying any taxes, or many of them, to the State of Pennsylvania. Some of them do, but when they have these machines they pay no man, they pay no wages and the machine is put there, to do, automatically, that which a living human being would be compelled to do, so that a machine takes the place of a person. This bill is a revenue raiser and after being in discussion with the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee I am told that we have not yet sufficient revenues raised for the State whereby the appropriation of the State can be properly taken care of.

This bill, as I am told, and nobody can get any definite figures on it, will yield the State somewhere between three and five million dollars annually. The tax is a very nominal tax, is a graded tax, depending upon the amount of money that these machines take in. As an illustration let me say that this bill was prompted by reason of the fact that several weeks ago I went down to the Pennsylvania Railroad station, and was washing my hands. I was compelled to pay five cents to get soap and a towel. I then found that the machines were owned by somebody in New York State. They were vending merchandise here without paying any wages, without paying any men, and they were getting a profit, and therefore I thought that it would be a good idea to tax these people, making the tax nominal. It is not intended to put them out of business, because we only want tax for revenue. It is a revenue raiser, and therefore I hope the gentlemen of the House will pass the bill.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, yes sir.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman if this act would in any wise legalize illegal gambling slot machines which are now in use throughout the State of Pennsylvania?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, the bill specifically excludes any illegal machines.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, in what section?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I do not know the section at this time.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, it says "or any other devise operated."

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, section seven, I am told.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I listened attentively to the explanation of the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Stern. As a revenue raiser, I have no doubt that this act applies to the persons to whom Mr. Stern intends it to apply. If this act provided for a taxation on the corporations leasing the machines and not the individual, I would not oppose it. It would then be a tax raiser, imposing a tax upon persons qualified, Mr. Speaker, to pay it, but if you will look at the second section of this act you will find that there the lessee of the slot machines will be compelled to pay this tax. Now, you and I know that throughout the State of Pennsylvania, in small cigar stores, in candy stores located in our various neighborhoods, are slot machines where chewing-gum, candy and various other things are ejected from a machine for which persons for a penny, two pennies or what not, obtain cakes and various other things to eat. Now, gentlemen, all of these machines are leased, with very few exceptions, and you will find that the revenue from this so-called revenue raiser must come from those men and women who keep candy stores and little shops from which they make a living, and as an accommodation to the children and the people of their neighborhood. I submit to you, Mr. Speaker, that this would be harsh upon those poor people. I ask the gentleman now if he will withdraw consideration of this act in order that you may go among your neighbors and find out whether or not what I am saying is true. If it is true, then you will defeat this act; if it is not true, you can let it pass, but you will find upon investigation that this is not a revenue raiser in the true sense of the word, because a revenue raiser which raises revenue from the poor people who have enough expenses to pay without being taxed for material of this kind, is not a revenue raiser which the State of Pennsylvania wants. I submit to you, gentlemen, that this is an unfair measure and should be defeated by you.

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, it seems there is a feature with reference to this bill which has not yet been brought out. In this bill, a tax will be imposed upon all automatic gas meters used by many of the small homes of the City of Philadelphia, where twenty-five cents is put in at a time. This proposed measure would effect thousands of meters of the large cities, and furthermore, all the automatic telephone machines in public places for long distance calls would lose by this taxation at the rate of five dollars a year. Now, I have no particular interest in any corporation or corporations, but it does seem to me that this Legislature ought to consider whether or not it is fair to these great public service corporations to have a charge of five dollars taxed on them, on each of the machines which they place in public places and in small homes, for the convenience and benefit of the householder and the use of the public. I think it is a very questionable measure, as to whether or not this taxation is not unjust to the people. It seems to me that the benefits that may accrue by reason of the revenue or otherwise from this bill are very largely outweighed by the consideration which I have just indicated.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—122.

Albee,	Gormley,	Michel,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Graeff,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Graham,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Hess,	Murphy,	Spangler,
Boulton, H.,	Hibshman,	Musser,	Speicher,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hoffman,	Neary,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hollern,	Ogden,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Stern,
Brady,	Horne,	Phillips,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hough,	Pickering,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Howarth,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Canon,	Jack,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Christman,	Jennings,	Reichenbacker,	Ulsh,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vickerman,
Dawson,	Lanius,	Rich,	Vogdes
Dean,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Dell,	Lauler,	Ross,	Weimer,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Rothenberger,	West,
Drake,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Whitaker,
Fitzgibbon,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Wickman,
Flynn,	Luppert,	Scott,	Wobensmith,
Fowler,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wood,
Franklin,	McArdle,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Gans,	McCaig,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Goodnough,	Mearkle,	Siggins,	Speaker.
Goodwin,	Mervine,	Sinclair,	

NAYS—39.

Arthur,	Curry,	Isherwood,	Reynolds,
Baldi,	Dunn,	Malie,	Ringler,
Black,	Eby,	McCurdy,	Robertson,
Burnett,	Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Rudisill,
Chestnut,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Sampsel,
Clements,	Fackler,	Miller, C. G.,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Conner,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sterling,
Corbin,	Golder,	Milner,	Stites,
Cox,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Helt,	Palmer,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to Senate for concurrence.

Mr. DELL asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 696, File Folio 1147, on the third reading postponed calendar, page 8.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 696, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to amend section two of an act entitled 'An Act authorizing and requiring county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to have the county bridges of their respective counties painted, and the bolts of the same tightened as often as may be necessary,' approved the twenty-first day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and three," so that said bridges may be painted and the bolts thereof tightened without advertising for bids, if done under the supervision of the county commissioners.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present on account of the absence of the sponsor of the bill, and this being the last day for its consideration.

Mr. SIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE.

Mr. WEST asked and obtained unanimous consent to call up House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), File Folio 1409, on the final passage postponed calendar, page 9.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the consideration on final passage of House Bill No. 333 (Senate Bill No. 58), entitled

At Act to amend the first section of an act, entitled "An Act to amend the second section of an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the sale and conveyance of real estate' approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, extending the provisions thereof to real estate upon which are limited vested remainders which are liable to open and let in after born children and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of lands and tenements subject to such remainders" approved the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (Pamphlet Laws page 144), extending the provisions thereof to real estate held by one or more persons for life and validating sales of real estate heretofore made by proceedings under said act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three and its amendment of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven of lands and tenements held by one or more persons for life.

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. WEST. Mr. Speaker, I move that further consideration of the bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. C. A. SHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. STEEDLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time in lieu of the absence of my colleague, Mr. Simpson, House Bill No. 282, File Folio 267, from page 7 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed for the present.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 282, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act entitled "An Act creating the office of county controller in counties of this Commonwealth containing one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over prescribing his duties and abolishing the office of county auditor in said counties" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. STEEDLE. Mr. Speaker, I move the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. ALBEE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 439, File Folio 995, on page 8 of to-day's calendar, bills on tihrd reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 439, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. ALBEE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. BOULTON. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up at this time House Bill No. 424 (Senate Bill No. 9), File Folio 281, on page 8 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the consideration on third reading of House Bill No. 424 (Senate Bill No. 9), entitled

An Act to provide for the change of object of the corporate existence and authorizing and providing a mode for the dissolution and surrender of charters of fire companies.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. DITHRICH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the sponsor, Mr. McPeake, I desire to call up House Bill No. 694, File Folio 1409, on page 8 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading postponed.

Agreeably to order,
The House resumed the consideration on Third Reading of House Bill No. 694, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred forty-four), entitled "An Act providing for the original location laying out and construction of public roads or highways in the several counties of Commonwealth and for the permanent improvement of certain public roads or highways therein making such originally constructed or improved roads and highways county roads authorizing the relocation opening straight-

ening widening extension and alteration of the same and the vacation of so much of any road as may thereby become unnecessary; providing that the county commissioners of any county may prescribe rules regulating the use of roads constructed or maintained by the various counties and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the taking of property for such improvement, the compensation to be paid therefor and the payment of damages resulting from such taking and the manner in which such damages may be determined; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of such construction or improvement and in thereafter repairing and maintaining said roads; authorizing the levy of a tax or the issuing of bonds to provide a fund for the expense thereof; prescribing a method for improving a county road lying within or traversing a borough and apportioning the cost of such improvement and authorizing the vacation of any county road," authorizing boroughs, towns and townships to enter into contracts to aid in the construction and maintenance of such roads or highways.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the further consideration of this bill be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCURDY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

MR. RAMSEY IN THE CHAIR.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1038 (Senate Bill No. 156), entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—190.

Albee,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Arthur,	Fretz,	McPeake,	Siggins,
Aston,	Gans,	McVicar,	Simpson,
Baker,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Milner,	Spangler,
Black,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hess,	Murphy,	Sterling,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Horne,	Perry,	Swartz,
Clements,	Horton,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Pickering,	Taylor,
Conner,	Howarth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rich,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ringler,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rininger,	Wells,
Dell,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Ross,	Williams, G. W.
Donneley,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Mangan,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Rudisill,	Wood,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Eby,	McArdle,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Erdman,	McCullough,	Scott,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shattuck,	Speaker.
Flynn,	McKinney,		

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 783 (Senate Bill No. 147), entitled

An Act to further amend section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws two hundred seventy-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses prescribing their duties prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof" as amended by fixing the term of city and county inspectors at four years and regulating the term of inspectors now in office

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. GOLDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 957 (Senate Bill No. 148), entitled

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws authorizing the appointment of the commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Showalter,
Aston,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Glass,	Mervine,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Black,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Stern,
Brady,	Helt,	Neary,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hess,	Ogden,	Stofflet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Patterson,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Swartz,
Chestnut,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Clements,	Horton,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Conner,	Howarth,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Walker,

Cox,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Rininger,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Leary,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lewis,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Eby,	Marvin,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	Maurer,	Scott,	Speaker.
Erdman,	McArdle,	Shaffer, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1110 (Senate Bill No. 487), entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the township of New Garden in the county of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—180.

Albee,	Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Aston,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Baker,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Mehring,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Geary,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Golder,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bell,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Haight,	Milner,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Black,	Hecht,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hess,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Sterling,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Neary,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hoffman,	Ogden,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Canon,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horton,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Howarth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Lafferty,	Rich,	Wallace,
Curry,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Leary,	Robertson,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dell,	Lohr,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Fackler,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 958 (Senate Bill No. 196), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three), entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—181.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCurdy,	Siggins,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Simpson,
Aston,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Baker,	Fowler,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Barner,	Gans,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Bell,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Snowden,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Milliron,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Mitchell,	Sones,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Morgan, T.,	Spangler,
Beyer,	Graham,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Black,	Haldeman,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Musser,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Neary,	Sterling,
Bovee,	Helt,	Ogden,	Stern,
Boyd,	Hess,	Palmer,	Stites,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Patterson,	Stofflet,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Phillips,	Strauss,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Pickering,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Powell,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Reichenbacker,	Taylor,
Christman,	Horton,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Conner,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Jack,	Rich,	Walker,
Cox,	Jennings,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rininger,	Walter,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rogers,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ross,	West,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lohr,	Sampsel,	Williams, J. P.,
Dewey,	Luppert,	Sarig,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wood,
Donneley,	Marvin,	Scott,	Woodward,
Drake,	Maurer,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Shattuck,	Wynne,
Eby,	McCaig,	Showalter,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 934 (Senate Bill No. 205), entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County, for the amount of such part, if any, of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by, and paid by him to, the Treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia, in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—183.

Albee,	Fackler,	McCullough,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fitzgibbon,	McCurdy,	Showalter,
Aston,	Flynn,	McKay,	Shunk,
Baker,	Fowler,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McNichol,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	McVicar,	Sinclair,

Barner,	Gans,	Mearkle,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Geary,	Mehring,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, O. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Spangler,
Black,	Haldeman,	Milliron,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Milner,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Morgan, T.,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Sterling,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Richards,	Stites,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Christman,	Horne,	Phillips,	Swartz,
Clements,	Horton,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Powell,	Taylor,
Conner,	Howarth,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Jones,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cummins,	Kennedy,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rich,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wells,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rininger,	West,
Dawson,	Leary,	Robertson,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rogers,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lohr,	Ross,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Ruddy,	Wood,
Drake,	Malie,	Rudisill,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Eby,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Scott,	Baldwin,
Erdman,	McCaig,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 938 (Senate Bill No. 219), entitled

An Act to authorize counties cities boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men and providing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—186.

Albee,	Flynn,	McCurdy,	Scott,
Arthur,	Fowler,	McKay,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Franklin,	McKinney,	Showalter,
Baldi,	Fretz,	McNichol,	Shunk,
Baldridge,	Gans,	McVicar,	Siggins,
Barner,	Geary,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Bechtold,	Glass,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Bell,	Golder,	Mervine,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Goodnough,	Michel,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Graeff,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bidelspacher,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Black,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sprowls,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Murphy,	Steedle,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Musser,	Sterling,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stites,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Clements,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Swartz,
Conner,	Horton,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Cook,	Hough,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Crosby,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Cummins,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Curry,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Dale,	Kennedy,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Lafferty,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lanius,	Rich,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Laucks,	Ringler,	Wells,
Dell,	Lauler,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dewey,	Leary,	Rinn,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Lewis,	Robertson,	Williams, J. P.,
Donneley,	Lohr,	Rogers,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Luppert,	Ross,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Rothenberger,	Woodward,
Dunn,	Marvin,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Eby,	Maurer,	Rudisill,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	McArdle,	Sampsel,	Zanders,
Fackler,	McCaig,	Sarig,	Baldwin,
Fitzgibbon,	McCullough,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendment.

SPEAKER BALDWIN IN THE CHAIR.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 936 (Senate Bill No. 212), entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—184.

Albee,	Franklin,	McVicar,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Shunk,
Aston,	Gans,	Mehring,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Geary,	Mervine,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Glass,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Golder,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, F. I.,
Bell,	Goodwin,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Benchoff,	Gormley,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Graeff,	Milliron,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milner,	Snyder,
Beyer,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Somerman,
Bidelspacher,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Sones,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T. J.,	Speicher,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Murdoch,	Sprowls,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murphy,	Stadtlander,
Bovee,	Hess,	Musser,	Steedle,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Stern,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Palmer,	Stofflet,
Canon,	Hollingsworth,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Chestnut,	Horne,	Perry,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horton,	Phillips,	Sweitzer,
Conner,	Hough,	Pickering,	Thomas,
Cook,	Howarth,	Powell,	Ulsh,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Ramsey,	Urich,
Cox,	Jack,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Reitzel,	Vogdes,
Cummins,	Jones,	Reynolds,	Walker,
Curry,	Lanius,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Rich,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Richards,	Weimer,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Ringler,	West,
Dell,	Lohr,	Rininger,	Whitaker,
Dithrich,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Wickman,
Donneley,	Malie,	Rogers,	Williams, J. P.,
Drake,	Marvin,	Ross,	Wobensmith,
Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rothenberger,	Wood,
Dunn,	McArdle,	Ruddy,	Woodward,
Eby,	McCaig,	Rudisill,	Wylie,
Ehrhardt,	McCullough,	Sampsel,	Wynne,
Fackler,	McCurdy,	Sarig,	Zanders,
Fitzgibbon,	McKay,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Baldwin,
Flynn,	McKinney,	Scott,	Speaker.
Fowler,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,	

NAYS—2.

Campbell, J. O., Hoffman.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, that the Clerk return the same to the Senate with information that the House has passed it without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1099 (Senate Bill No. 355), entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move you that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. SCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, this is a bill to increase the salary of the Workmen's Compensation Referees. In 1915, when they fixed the salary of the Compensation Referee, it was simply a haphazard guess as to what that salary ought to be. They had no idea as to the volume of business and the time required in the duties which were connected with the appointment of the Workmens' Compensation Referee. Hundreds of cases, miles of traveling, requiring the most careful kind of labor, requiring the closest application to duty, is required by the men who have been appointed to this office. Now they are trying to make just exactly what seems to be an adequate salary; that is all. The men who have had anything to do at all with the Workmen's Compensation Referee business will tell you that the volume of business and the duties which are called for simply are registered in this bill as an adequate salary for these men.

Now, this House has had no misgivings on any general salary raising. Why do you stop at this particular time and try to stop a salary raiser of that department of the State government work which has done more and which means more to the men and women in Pennsylvania than any other measure which has been produced for your consideration? Why would you put the bill back? Why would you recommit it? What is the matter with the bill? Is it recommitted because it is not fair? It increases the salary from $2,500 to $5,000, and this is a fair proposition. Two thousand five hundred dollars is inadequate.

As I said, they give up all their time on this proposition and it requires hard work. In the rank and file of jobs which we have increased on this floor many of them have been jobs in name only, attaching with them a certain responsibility. This bill not only attaches a great responsibility but it requires hard work and long hours, day and night. There are only five men in the whole State to take up these claims. surely there can be no partisanship in this measure. Why would you want to have the bill recommitted? Gentlemen of the House, let us answer to this proposition; let us have a roll call and let us consider this bill now; let us see whether or not we believe in, whether or not we are consistent in the general salary raising and especially on a good proposition, the best you have had in all the salary raising. Why, if you vote down this bill you will never have any good grounds again, in all the sessions of the Legislature that meet, for the increasing of a salary.

I ask you to vote down this motion and go on record for this bill.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, the purpose of the motion to recommit this bill is that the members of this House who are interested in this proposition might better understand it. Last week there was a proposiiton among a good many members of this House that this increase of salary was too great and we attempted at that time to have those interested in the increase consider an amendment. They failed to want to go into that proposition. To-day we are asking this House not to defeat this increase of salary but to place this bill back in the Judiciary General Committee that we might better understand it; that if there is a chance to increase these mens' pay we may—perhaps, not to what it is now proposed.

Let me say that all the talk of increasing salaries and being consistent is not the best way to handle these propositions. You must look at each of them as an individual proposition. I might possibly say that perhaps some of the members who want this increase may vote against other increases. The proposition to recommit this bill, gentlemen, is that it might have a better understanding among some of the members, that we might know just exactly who and what and how many of these men there are. It is not the purpose of the members who are back of this recommitment to kill this proposition and we don't want to go on record against it. We want to give it a chance and we are going to ask you to recommit it for that purpose.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Delaware presents an argument in order to further look into the matter. Why, the bill has been introduced for weeks; it has been on your calendar for three successive days and longer due to the fact that we have not covered all the third reading calendar bills. If you don't understand it now you will never understand it. Is it not fair? Is it not true? Why would you put it back to the commitee? Why, you have had weeks of time on this proposition. According to that argument of the gentleman from Delaware the bills presented in this House must go along through and then be recommitted to the committee and then be on your calendar for three more successive days, and if that is the fact, then let us move that every one of them on this calendar and every other calendar be recommitted back to the committees so that we can start today to do what we ought to have done at the time when this bill was presented. Is that fair argument?

Mr. STITES. Mr. Speaker, I would like to add my testimony as a man in the witness box this morning as to some of the features of this bill. I know in one of these cases of the referees of the Workmen's Compensation Bureau in the City of Philadelphia, where one referee has had no less than two hundred and five cases to consider, and when you contemplate what one of these referees is required to do, that he has to take the work home at night and write out his opinions, it may be assumed that he is very hard at work all the time in making up his records as they are important records that sometimes must go up to an appellate court. In many cases the awards are taken out of the hands of one person and put into the hands of another, and I believe, honestly, that this position in the Workmen's Compensation Bureau, the position of referee, requires at least a five thousand dollar man. It is not a picayune proposition. I think the gentleman from Schuylkill is quite right in asking that this House pass on the merits of this question at this time.

Mr. WALLACE. Mr. Speaker, I don't wish to be understood as being unfriendly to this bill, as a general proposition, but I think the members of this House are entirely familiar with it, and the reason why I think this bill should be recommitted is in order that we may amend it and make that salary a little bit lower. As the bill stands I will have to vote against it, but if it is amended to make it thirty-five hundred dollars or four thousand dollars, which I think is a very substantial and reasonable increase in salary for these gentlemen, then I shall support it. I would ask the gentlemen of this House to recommit this bill, not in order that we may further understand it but in order that we may have it amended so that it will not be in a position that will compel us to vote against it.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Palmer and Mr. Milner, and were as follows:

YEAS—84.

Albee,	Drake,	Luppert,	Scott,
Bechtold,	Fretz,	Marvin,	Shattuck,
Bell,	Gans,	McArdle,	Shunk,
Benninger,	Goodnough,	McCaig,	Siggins,
Beyer,	Gormley,	McCurdy,	Smith, J. W.,
Boulton, H.,	Graham,	McKinney,	Smith, L.,
Bouton, V. B.,	Gransback,	Miller, A. D.,	Snowden,
Bovee,	Haight,	Morgan, T.,	Snyder,
Brady,	Hefferman,	Musser,	Spangler,
Burnett,	Hess,	Neary,	Speicher,
Campbell, J. O.,	Heyburn,	Perry,	Stadtlander,
Campbell, T.,	Hibshman,	Pickering,	Stern,
Canon,	Hoffman,	Powell,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Ramsey,	Taylor,

Coldsmith,	Horne,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Hough,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Isherwood,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Ross,	Walter,
Davis, W.,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	West,
Dean,	Lewis,	Rudisill,	Wickman,
Dell,	Lohr,	Sampsel,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—87.

Aston,	Fackler,	McKay,	Ruddy,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	McNichol,	Sarig,
Baldridge,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Benchoff,	Fowler,	Mervine,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Bennett,	Franklin,	Michel,	Sinclair,
Bidelspacher,	Geary,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, E. R.,
Black,	Glass,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, F. I.,
Boyd,	Golder,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Christman,	Graeff,	Milner,	Steedle,
Clements,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Sterling,
Conner,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Cox,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Stofflet,
Cummins,	Hollern,	Murphy,	Strauss,
Curry,	Howarth,	Ogden,	Thomas,
Davis, D. F.,	Jack,	Palmer,	Vickerman,
Dawson,	Jennings,	Patterson,	Walker,
Dithrich,	Jones,	Phillips,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Lanius,	Reichenbacker,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Leary,	Reynolds,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Malie,	Rich,	Wynne,
Ehrhardt,	Mangan,	Ringler,	Zanders,
Erdman,	Maurer,	Robertson,	

So the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Palmer.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Palmer, permit himself to be interrogated?

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Speaker, yes, sir.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, do I understand the gentleman to say that there are five referees?

Mr. PALMER. If you did, it is wrong; it should be ten.

Mr. MILLIRON. Thank you.

Mr. PALMER. You are welcome.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, do I understand the gentleman to say that this is only an increase of the referees' salary, or does it include the salaries of the clerks.

Mr. PALMER. The clerks' salaries also.

Mr. MILLIRON. That makes it clear.

Mr. PALMER. That makes you for the bill?

Mr. MILLIRON. Yes, sir.

Mr. PALMER. Right you are.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third reading?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—117.

Albee,	Erdman,	McNichol,	Shaffer, C. A.,
Aston,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Shattuck,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Sinclair,
Baldridge,	Flynn,	Mehring,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Fowler,	Michel,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Franklin,	Miller, Allan,	Smith, L.,
Bennett,	Geary,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Glass,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Sones,
Bidelspacher,	Golder,	Milliron,	Spangler,
Black,	Graeff,	Milner,	Stadtlander,
Boulton, H.,	Haight,	Mitchell,	Steedle,
Bouton, V. B.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Helt,	Murdoch,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hess,	Murphy,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hibshman,	Ogden,	Strauss,
Clements,	Hoffman,	Palmer,	Taylor,
Conner,	Hollern,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Corbin,	Hough,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Cox,	Howarth,	Powell,	Urich,
Cummins,	Isherwood,	Reichenbacker,	Vickerman,
Curry,	Jack,	Reitzel,	Walker,
Davis, D. F.,	Jennings,	Reynolds,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	West,
Dawson,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Wickman,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Ringler,	Wobensmith,
Donneley,	Luppert,	Robertson,	Wood,
Drinkhouse,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Wylie,
Dunn,	Mangan,	Sarig,	Wynne,
Eby,	Maurer,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Zanders,
Ehrhardt,	McKay,	Scott,	

NAYS—51.

Beyer,	Gormley,	McArdle,	Shunk,
Campbell, J. O.,	Graham,	McCurdy,	Siggins,
Campbell, T.,	Gransback,	McKinney,	Smith, J. W.,
Canon,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Snowden,
Chestnut,	Heffernan,	Musser,	Snyder,
Coldsmith,	Heyburn,	Neary,	Speicher,
Cook,	Hollingsworth,	Perry,	Stern,
Crosby,	Horne,	Pickering,	Sweitzer,
Dean,	Lanius,	Ramsey,	Vogdes,
Dell,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Wallace,
Drake,	Lauler,	Rothenberger,	Walter,
Fretz,	Lewis,	Rudisill,	Baldwin, Speaker.
Gans,	Lohr,	Sampsel,	
Goodnough,	Marvin,	Showalter,	

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 889, entitled

An Act providing for the payment by State Hospitals for the insane of the traveling expenses from said hospitals to their homes respectively of indigent inmates of said hospitals discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities and for the reimbursement to such hospitals of the amounts so paid.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—167.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	Mangan,	Shattuck,
Aston,	Erdman,	Marvin,	Showalter,
Baker,	Fackler,	McArdle,	Siggins,
Baldi,	Fitzgibbon,	McCaig,	Simpson,
Baldridge,	Flynn,	McCullough,	Sinclair,
Barner,	Fowler,	McCurdy,	Smith, E. R.,
Bechtold,	Franklin,	McKay,	Smith, F. I.,
Benchoff,	Fretz,	McKinney,	Smith, J. W.,
Bennett,	Gans,	McNichol,	Smith, L.,
Benninger,	Geary,	McVicar,	Smith, O. W.,
Beyer,	Glass,	Mearkle,	Snowden,
Bidelspacher,	Golder,	Mehring,	Snyder,
Black,	Goodwin,	Michel,	Sones,
Boulton, H.,	Gormley,	Miller, Allan,	Spangler,
Bouton, V. B.,	Graham,	Miller, C. G.,	Speicher,
Bovee,	Gransback,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stadtlander,
Boyd,	Haight,	Milliron,	Steedle,
Brady,	Haldeman,	Milner,	Sterling,
Burnett,	Hecht,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Campbell, J. O.,	Helt,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Campbell, T.,	Hess,	Murdoch,	Strauss,
Canon,	Heyburn,	Musser,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Swartz,
Christman,	Hoffman,	Perry,	Sweitzer,
Clements,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Coldsmith,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Thomas,
Conner,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Ulsh,
Cook,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Isherwood,	Rich,	Wallace,
Cummins,	Jack,	Ringler,	Walter,
Curry,	Jennings,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Davis, D. F.,	Jones,	Robertson,	West,
Davis, W.,	Kennedy,	Rogers,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lanius,	Ross,	Wickman,
Dean,	Laucks,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lauler,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Dithrich,	Leary,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drake,	Lewis,	Sarig,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Lohr,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Luppert,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	Malie,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin, Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 886, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Comonwealth to hold and con-

vey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—171.

Albee,	Ehrhardt,	McCurdy,	Shattuck,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKay,	Shunk,
Aston,	Fitzgibbon,	McKinney,	Siggins,
Baker,	Flynn,	McNichol,	Sinclair,
Baldi,	Fowler,	McVicar,	Smith, E. R.,
Baldridge,	Franklin,	Mearkle,	Smith, F. I.,
Barner,	Fretz,	Mehring,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Michel,	Smith, L.,
Bell,	Geary,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Miller, C. G.,	Snyder,
Bennett,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Somerman,
Benninger,	Gormley,	Milliron,	Sones,
Beyer,	Graham,	Milner,	Spangler,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Mitchell,	Speicher,
Black,	Haldeman,	Morgan, T.,	Sprowls,
Boulton, H.,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stadtlander,
Bouton, V. B.,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Steedle,
Bovee,	Helt,	Musser,	Sterling,
Boyd,	Hess,	Neary,	Stern,
Brady,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Stites,
Burnett,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Stoffiet,
Campbell, J. O.,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Strauss,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Perry,	Sullivan,
Chestnut,	Hollingsworth,	Pickering,	Swartz,
Christman,	Horne,	Powell,	Taylor,
Clements,	Horton,	Ramsey,	Thomas,
Coldsmith,	Hough,	Reitzel,	Ulsh,
Conner,	Jack,	Reynolds,	Urich,
Corbin,	Jennings,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Vickerman,
Cox,	Jones,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Vogdes,
Crosby,	Kennedy,	Rich,	Walker,
Cummins,	Lanius,	Ringler,	Wallace,
Curry,	Laucks,	Rininger,	Walter,
Davis, D. F.,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Weimer,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rogers,	West,
Dawson,	Lohr,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dean,	Luppert,	Rothenberger,	Wickman,
Dewey,	Malie,	Ruddy,	Williams, J. P.,
Dithrich,	Mangan,	Rudisill,	Wobensmith,
Drake,	Marvin,	Sampsel,	Woodward,
Drinkhouse,	McArdle,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Wynne,
Dunn,	McCaig,	Scott,	Zanders,
Eby,	McCullough,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Baldwin,
			Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the third reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1087, entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, considered and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—172.

Albee,	Erdman,	McCurdy,	Sinclair,
Arthur,	Fackler,	McKay,	Smith, E. R.,
Aston,	Flynn,	McKinney,	Smith, F. I.,
Baker,	Fowler,	McNichol,	Smith, J. W.,
Baldi,	Franklin,	McPeake,	Smith, L.,
Baldridge,	Fretz,	Mearkle,	Smith, O. W.,
Bechtold,	Gans,	Mehring,	Snowden,
Bell,	Geary,	Mervine,	Somerman,
Benchoff,	Golder,	Michel,	Sones,
Bennett,	Goodwin,	Miller, A. D.,	Spangler,
Benninger,	Graeff,	Miller, Allan,	Speicher,
Beyer,	Graham,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Stadtlander,
Bidelspacher,	Gransback,	Milliron,	Steedle,
Black,	Haight,	Milner,	Sterling,
Boulton, H.,	Haldeman,	Mitchell,	Stern,
Bovee,	Hecht,	Morgan, T. J.,	Stites,
Boyd,	Heffernan,	Murdoch,	Stoffiet,
Brady,	Helt,	Musser,	Strauss,
Burnett,	Hess,	Neary,	Sullivan,
Campbell, T.,	Heyburn,	Ogden,	Swartz,
Canon,	Hibshman,	Palmer,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Hoffman,	Patterson,	Thomas,
Christman,	Hollern,	Phillips,	Ulsh,
Clements,	Hollingsworth,	Powell,	Urich,
Conner,	Horne,	Ramsey,	Vickerman,
Cook,	Hough,	Reynolds,	Vogdes,
Corbin,	Howarth,	Rhoads, H. L.,	Walker,
Cox,	Jack,	Rhodes, W. M.,	Wallace,
Crosby,	Jennings,	Rich,	Walter,
Cummins,	Jones,	Rininger,	Weimer,
Curry,	Kennedy,	Robertson,	Wells,
Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Rogers,	West,
Davis, W.,	Laucks,	Ross,	Whitaker,
Dawson,	Lauler,	Ruddy,	Wickman,
Dean,	Leary,	Rudisill,	Williams, J. P.,
Dell,	Lewis,	Sampsel,	Wobensmith,
Dewey,	Lohr,	Sarig,	Wood,
Dithrich,	Malie,	Schaeffer, A. C.,	Woodward,
Drake,	Mangan,	Scott,	Wylie,
Drinkhouse,	Marvin,	Shaffer, C. A.,	Wynne,
Dunn,	Maurer,	Shattuck,	Zanders,
Eby,	McArdle,	Shunk,	Baldwin,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Siggins,	Speaker.

NAYS—0.

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 112

An Act authorizing Charles S. Grubb a resident of Dauphin county Pennsylvania to bring suit or suits against and to recover from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County any sum or sums of money legally or justly due him for personal injuries received while employed by the State Highway Department through alleged negligence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Senate Bill No. 104

An Act fixing the salaries of the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of State Police and fixing the number and salaries of the officers and the enlisted men of the State Police force.

Senate Bill No. 87

An Act authorizing Theodore Davis and Nellie May Davis his wife residents of Washington Township County of Erie to bring suits in the Court of Comon Pleas of Erie County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Senate Bill No. 33

An Act to amend article six of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" by adding thereto sections six hundred and thirty-five to six hundred and forty both inclusive.

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER in the presence of the House signed the same.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate.

Resolved (if the House of Representative concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly that during this unsettled condition resulting from the state of war with the government of Germany, the State Capitol building should be efficiently guarded and protected, and to that end it directs the Department of State Police to detail a suf-

ficient number of State Constabulary to properly and efficiently guard and protect the Capitol building.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April sixteenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representative adjourns this week it reconvenes on Monday evening April sixteenth, at nine o'clock.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives, as follows, viz:

In the House of Representative, April 10, 1917.

Whereas, The Imperial German Government has committed repeated acts of war against the Government and the people of the United States of American; and

Whereas, The Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled have formally declared that a State of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government exists; therefore be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That in order to carry on war against the Imperial German Government and to bring the conflict to a successful termination all the resources of the State of Pennsylvania are hereby pledged by this Legislature.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives as follows, viz:

In the House of Representatives.

Whereas, An effort is being made throughout the United States of America to amply prepare this country against any contingency which may arise and defend it against the invasion of any foe therefore

Be it Resolved (if the Senate concur) by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania That it is the sense of this body that one of the first steps toward the protection of this Commonwealth and the rendering of aid to the Federal Government will be the completion of those trans-Pennsylvania thoroughfares which are part of the transcontinental systems connecting the eastern and western coasts the construction of which would aid materially in the transportation of troops and munitions and war if the occasion for such transportation arose

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Whereas, The United States of America being now involved in the mightiest armed conflict of the world's history, and one which calls for the efficient marshalling of the resources of the nation and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

Whereas, In view of the starving multitudes in Belgium and parts of France and in view of the present shortage of food stuffs throughout this country and the world, it is of the utmost importance that the production of the same be increased to the greatest possible extent in order to meet the requirements of the nation and its allies engaged in this struggle for free government; therefor

Be it resolved (if the House concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania that those of our citizens engaged in agriculture in this Commonwealth be hereby urged to use every wise effort to stimulate the production of food supplies upon their farms, and the General Assembly does hereby appeal to the agriculturalists of this Commonwealth to accept the responsibility for producing, so far as possible, greater food resources as an imperative and patriotic duty, the fulfillment of which is of vital importance to the welfare of our people, and to the effective prosecution of the war.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows, viz:

House Bill No. 905

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

With information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1187, File Folio 2195, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment establishing an elective schedule of compensation and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder"

be recommitted to the Committee on Labor and Industry for the purpose of amendment and hearing.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 1.15 P. M.) the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, April 11, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. Clarence J. Buckman) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

The Chaplain, Rev. Thomas W. Davis, offered the following prayer:

Our kind Heavenly Father, we regret the distressing and terrible disaster visited upon our fellow citizens of this great Commonwealth at the Eddystone Munition Plant. We thank Thee for the co-operative sympathy of our people by which they hastened to relieve the awful distress brought about by this fearful accident. We pray Thy blessing may be with all those who have been thrown into a state of mourning because of the terrible losses. Grant Thy blessing upon the entire country and upon all the interests that are looking forward to the terrible and awful crisis through which we are passing. We ask these blessings in our Saviour's name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding session, when, on motion of Mr. SALUS, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. WASBERS asked and obtained leave of absence for the Senator from Clarion, Mr. Hindman.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE CONCURS IN RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE TO GUARD AND PROTECT THE CAPITOL BUILDING.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly that during this unsettled condition resulting from the estate of war with the government of Germany, the State Capitol building should be efficiently guarded and protected, and to that end it directs the Department of State Police to detail a sufficient number of State Constabulary to properly and efficiently guard and protect the Capitol building.

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITIZENS ENGAGED IN AGRICULTURE IN THIS COMMONWEALTH TO USE EVERY WISE EFFORT TO STIMULATE THE PRODUCTION OF FOOD SUPPLIES UPON THEIR FARMS.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Whereas, The United States of America being now involved in the mightiest armed conflict of the world's history, and one which calls for the efficient marshaling of the resources of the nation and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

Whereas, In view of the starving multitudes in Belgium and parts of France and in view of the present shortage of food stuffs throughout this country and the world, it is of the utmost importance that the production of the same be increased to the greatest possible extent in order to meet the requirements of the nation and its allies engaged in this struggle for free government; therefore

Be it resolved (if the House concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania that those of our citizens engaged in agriculture in this Commonwealth be hereby urged to use every wise effort to stimulate the production of food supplies upon their farms, and the General Assembly does hereby appeal to the agriculturalists of this Commonwealth to accept the responsibility for producing, so far as possible, greater food resources as an imperative and a patriotic duty, the fulfilment of which is of vital importance to the welfare of our people and to the effective prosecution of the war.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

He also presented communication from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate as follows:

In the Senate, April 10, 1917.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday evening, April sixteenth, at nine o'clock; and when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvenes on Monday evening, April sixteenth, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 148.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 148, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 156.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 156, entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly, declared unconstitutional, approved May 11th, 1909, entitled "An Act providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of public highways, bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth; authorizing the taking of property for such improvement, and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking; providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such taking providing for the payment of the cost and expenses incurred in such construction, operation, and maintenance, and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose," and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 196.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 196, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy

sheriffs on duty in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 205.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 205, entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner, a resident of Philadelphia County, State of Pennsylvania, to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the Treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 212.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 212, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 219.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act to authorize counties, cities, boroughs, towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection, alteration, addition and repair of public buildings.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 355.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 355, entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, 1915, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1915 by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into workmen's compensation districts, and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees, and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act; and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL NO. 487.

He also returned to the Senate Senate Bill No. 487, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

He also presented for concurrence bills of the House of Representatives, as follows:

House Bill No. 221 (Senate Bill No. 824), entitled:

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures; providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof by including instruments and devices for weighing at coal mines

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 386 (Senate Bill No. 825), entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

House Bill No. 659 (Senate Bill No. 826), entitled

An Act imposing a State license tax upon all automatic or slot vending or weighing or other slot machines or devices; imposing certain powers and duties upon the Auditor General; prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; providing for the confiscation of certain machines and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

House Bill No. 866 (Senate Bill No. 827), entitled

An Act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and sale of poisons and drugs and providing penalties for the violation thereof; defining the words "drug" and "poison" and providing for the appointment of a board which shall have in charge the enforcement of said law and the power to make rules and regulations for the enforcement of said law, and providing for the purchase of samples of drugs for determining their quality, strength and purity.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

House Bill No. 889 (Senate Bill No. 828), entitled:

An Act providing for the payment by State hospitals for the insane of the traveling expenses from said hospitals to their homes respectively of indigent inmates of said hospitals discharged by order of the Committee on Lunacy of the Board of Public Charities and for the reimbursement to such hospitals of the amounts so paid.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 1087 (Senate Bill No. 829), entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia; providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows:

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 11, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the dates set opposite their names, respectively:

LYCOMING COUNTY.

A. H. Stead, Williamsport, April 28, 1917.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Samuel Simpson, Philadelphia, April 12, 1917.
MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 11, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: In conformity with law I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate the following named persons to be Notaries Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the term of four years, to compute from the date of their confirmation:

BEAVER COUNTY.

Harry M. Stager, New Brighton.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

John St. Clair, Punxsutawney.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Miss A. Elizabeth Trout, Pottstown.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY.

Howard E. Hudson, Philadelphia.
Miss Elizabeth Liggett, Philadelphia.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

Chas. McLaughlin, Clearfield.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

By unanimous consent,

A motion was made by Mr. JENKINS,

That Rule 38, which requires nominations made by the Governor to be referred to proper committees, be dispensed with, and the Senate do now resolve itself into executive session, for the purpose of acting on the foregoing nominations,

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. JENKINS,

That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Hindman,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Jones,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
Daix,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

Two-thirds of all the Senators having voted "aye" 'the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. McCONNELL, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 623, entitled

An Act to amend the act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing for the creation and administration of a State fund for the insurance of compensation for injuries, to employes of subscribers thereto; declaring false oaths by the subscribers to be misdemeanors; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 829 (House Bill No. 1087), entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the municipal court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the City of Philadelphia; providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the municipal court of Philadelphia, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Mr. J. FRANK GRAFF, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 757 (House Bill No. 451), entitled

An Act exempting free from the claims of all creditors the proceeds of certain life insurance and annuity contracts bona fide taken out by any person not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

Also from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 506, entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved June second, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating policies of insurance against liability arising under article three of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; providing for the regulation of premium rates thereof and providing penalties for the violation thereof so as to provide an agency for the application of a system of merit rating.

Also from the Committee on Insurance reported as committed Senate Bill No. 531, entitled

An Act authorizing insurance companies upon any increase of capital to issue the same at a price in excess of par to require payment of such price as a condition to the right to subscribe and also to sell in such manner as the board of directors may prescribe for not less than such price any unsubscribed stock.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 630, entitled

An Act defining fraternal benefit societies and their status authorizing such societies to create subordinate lodges and to pay benefits upon the sickness disability or death of their members from funds collected and regulating such benefits. Providing for the organization of such societies and for their licensing supervision regulation and examination by the Insurance Commissioner and for the admission of foreign societies. Designating tables of mortality as a basis of rates of contribution. Requiring all societies to make annual reports and all foreign societies to appoint the Insurance Commissioner as attorney for service of process. Providing penalties for any violation of the act. Exempting such societies from taxation and certain other societies from its provisions and requiring beneficial associations other than fraternal benefit societies to report to and be supervised by the Insurance Commissioner and repealing existing laws.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Insurance, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 507, entitled

An Act to provide reserves for outstanding liability of insurance companies transacting the business of insuring any one against loss or damage resulting from accident to or injury suffered by an employe or other person for which the person insured is liable and also for outstanding losses incurred under the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and repealing existing laws.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 226 (House Bill No. 69), entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of employes in the Department of Banking, and providing for the appointment of an additional clerk.

Mr. EYRE, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 690 (House Bill No. 738), entitled

An Act vesting in the persons appointed by the county commissioners of the several counties of this Commonwealth to inspect and repair county roads improved and maintained by such counties the power and authority now vested by law in the constables of the several cities, boroughs and townships of this Commonwealth for the preservation of the peace in and along such roads and for the enforcement of acts of Assembly regulating the speed of automobiles and other vehicles thereon and for the enforcement of rules and regulations governing the use of such roads, designating such persons county road caretakers and providing for badges evidencing their authority.

Mr. VARE, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 523 (House Bill No. 392), entitled

An Act to amend an act, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the better government of cities of the first class in this Commonwealth,' approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, authorizing and establishing a board of recreation, for the creation, organization, care, management, conduct and supervision of recreation facilities of cities of the first class except as herein provided," approved the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred and thirty-nine, by changing the number of the members of the board of recreation their length of term and the officers to be elected.

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 604, entitled

An Act to amend part of the fourth section of the act approved the 28th day of April, 1899, entitled "An Act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth with respect to their population into two classes and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class" as amended.

Mr. W. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 794, entitled

An Act authorizing the State Librarian to edit a revised edition of "The Report of the Commission to locate the Sites of the Frontier Forts of Pennsylvania" and providing for the printing, binding and distribution thereof."

Also from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 802, entitled

An Act regulating the time for advertising for and receiving proposals for furnishing paper, cardboard, cuts, plates and other supplies for the use of the Comonwealth for executing the Public Printing, and the time contracts for furnishing such supplies shall run.

Also from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 803, entitled

An Act to amend sections seven and forty-one of an act approved the seventh day of February, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding, to carry out the provisions of section twelve, article three of the Constitution, in relation to the public printing and binding, and the supply of paper and other materials therefor."

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 830, entitled

An Act to fix the compensation and salary of police officers and officers of the police force in cities of the first class.

Which was committed to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 831, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of Registers of Wills in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. ENDSLEY read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 832, entitled

An Act to fix the salaries of the supervising inspectors of the second grade in the Department of Labor and Industry.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. MILLER read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 833, entitled

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act defining public service companies, etc." known as "The Public Service Company Law," approved the twenty-sixth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and Thirteen, authorizing and empowering the Commission therein constituted, known as "The Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," to determine the number of men which shall constitute a train crew upon railroad trains within this Commonwealth and to repeal laws inconsistent herewith, including the Act approved June nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An act to promote the safety of travellers and employes upon railroads by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains."

Which was committed to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. MARTIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 834, entitled

An Act making it a misdemeanor for a parent wilfully to neglect to support a child born out of lawful wedlock whether such child shall have been begotten or shall have been born within or without this Commonwealth (or whether such child shall have been begotten before or after the taking effect of this act) providing punishment therefor and empowering the court to make an order for support and to enforce the same, and making it a misdemeanor to make false declarations as to who is the parent of the child and providing punishment therefor.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Mr. LYNCH read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 835, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Pennsylvania State Oral School for the Deaf, at Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 836, entitled

An Act giving jurisdiction to the Orphans' Courts of this Commonwealth to order and approve of private sales of decedents' real estate, where shown that the same cannot be divided without injury to and spoiling the whole, and must be sold to give the heirs the proceeds thereof, and that the private price offered is fair and adequate and more than likely to be bid at a public sale thereof, and providing for advertising such sales, with the offer made, for a specified time, and that if, meantime, a higher price is offered authorizing the court to order and approve of the sale to the highest and best bidder and to validate any such sales heretofore made.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also (by request of Mr. Buckman) read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 837, entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the courts of common pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Mr. McCONNELL read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 838, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the 1st day of May, 1909, entitled "An Act to classify the fish in the waters within this Commonwealth; declaring which are game fish, which are food fish and which are bait fish; and to regulate the catching and sale and encourage the propogation of the same; to protect the waters within this Commonwealth from unfair, improper, wasteful and destructive fishing; and to protect fish from being destroyed or injured by destructive means; to provide for the appointment of fish-wardens and to declare their official powers and duties; to encourage and regulate the propogation of fish within this Commonwealth and regulate the free distribution of the same by the Department of Fisheries in the waters within the same; to define powers and duties of the Department of Fisheries; to regulate the sale and shipment of fish artificially propogated for profit; to forbid the sale of unlawful devices for catching fish and to provide penalties and punishments for the violation of the provisions of this act and providing how and by whom the costs shall be paid."

Which was committed to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Mr. PATTON read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 839, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Saint John's Orphan Asylum, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 840, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to Saint Vincent's Home, Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 841, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the Union Home for Old Ladies, of West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BALDWIN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 842, entitled

An Act to establish as a State Highway a certain section of public road in the Counties of Potter and Tioga.

Which was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE CHANGING OF THE NAMES OF INSANE ASYLUMS.

Mr. McNICHOL offered the following resolution, which was twice read:

In the Senate, April 11, 1917.

Whereas, Many persons committed to insane or feeble-minded institutions are being cured of their diseases and are being returned to their homes and families; and

Whereas, Many persons so discharged from such institutions are often conscious of the fact that their neighbors and friends are aware that they were inmates of such insane or feeble-minded institutions; and

Whereas, In order to remove at least in some degree this conscious feeling of such persons, and to bring this Commonwealth in line with the modern thought as well as the idea of medical science, the names of such institutions should be changed; therefore be it

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly that the names of all State and semi-State and private institutions for insane and feeble-minded be changed by striking from such names the words, "insane, lunatics, feeble-minded" and similar words, which will materially aid in removing the possibility of having that stigma cast upon inmates thereof; and be it further

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the trustees, or directors of all insane and feeble-minded institutions be urged to take the proper steps to have the names of their respective institutions changed to conform with the ideas conveyed and objects desired to be accomplished by this resolution by naming them by amendment of the present laws or otherwise as "Institutions or Hospitals for the Treatment of Mental Diseases," or other appropriate names.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to lie over one day, be dispensed with in order to consider the resolution at this time.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 831, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of Registers of Wills in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 831, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of Registers of Wills in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth.

be read the first time.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 831, entitled

An Act fixing the compensation of Registers of Wills in counties containing a population of one million five hundred thousand and upwards for services rendered the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 829 (House Bill No. 1087), entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the city of Philadelphia providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

be read the first time.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No 829 (House Bill No. 1087), entitled

An Act to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Municipal Court of Philadelphia over all houses of detention established within the limits of the city of Philadelphia providing that the board of managers of the said houses of detention shall be appointed and removed by the judges of the Municipal Court of Philadelphia and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 91, on third reading, entitled

An Act protecting against false charges as to collection of transportation money.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 134, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. WEAVER. Mr. President, at the request of the sponsor of the bill, I ask that Senate Bill No. 325, on third reading, entitled

An Act providing for the sale distribution and use for the promotion of biological science and for the discovery of new methods of treatment in medicine and surgery of un-

claimed animals in the public pounds and providing penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this act.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 343, entitled

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—41.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 837, entitled

An Act authorizing appeals from the courts of common pleas to the Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 553 (House Bill No. 295), entitled

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eigth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred and forty-four), entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,		Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 554 (House Bill No. 359), as follows:

An Act allowing appeals from orders of court entered on motions to quash or dissolve writs of foreign attachment.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all cases now pending or which may hereafter be brought where a writ of foreign attachment has been or shall be dissolved or quashed or the court has refused or shall refuse to dissolve or quash the same the party against whom such order is or has been made or whose interest is affected thereby may appeal to the Supreme or to the Superior Court as in other cases In the case of a refusal to dissolve or quash the right to appeal shall be immediate without waiting for the final judgment in the case

Section 2 When the appeal is from an order made dissolving or quashing the writ of attachment and is taken within ten days after such order is made such appeal shall operate as a supersedeas and the attachment shall continue to bind the property attached In all such cases bail shall be entered with sufficient surety in an amount to be fixed by the court which will properly secure the damages if any by reason of the detention of the property attached Such bail shall be conditioned that the appeal shall be prosecuted with effect and that if the appellant be unsuccessful therein he will pay such damages and costs

Section 3 Upon the hearing of any such appeal either now pending or hereafter to be brought the evidence on which the case was heard and disposed of in the court below together with the opinion of the court thereon shall constitute a part of the record The court to which such appeal is taken shall consider the same and dispose of the case according as the law and the facts shall be found therefrom

Section 4 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Beales,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Burke,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Catlin,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Craig,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 564, entitled

An Act requiring the several prothonotaries and clerks of the courts of quarter sessions to keep certain dockets and to enter therein all matters coming before the respective courts concerning lunatics, weak-minded persons and

persons committed to institutions and requiring county commissioners to furnish such dockets at the expense of the county.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 565, entitled

An Act requiring service of notice of all petitions for the appointment of guardians and committees for lunatics and weak-minded persons; notice of confirmation of accounts of such guardians and committees and notice of all audits to be served upon the Attorney General.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 566, entitled

An Act relating to the audit and distribution of estates of lunatics and weak-minded persons.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 600 (House Bill No. 461), on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws two hundred and thirty-seven), entitled "An Act regulating the sale of milk and its fluid derivatives in cities of the first class; providing for the licensing of those engaged in that business and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 608 (House Bill No. 300), on third reading, entitled

An Act to regulate and restrain the hawking, vending and peddling of fish, fruit and vegetables and other merchandise in the cities of the first class in this Commonwealth.

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 612 (House Bill No. 847), entitled

An Act to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the third time,
On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 647 (House Bill No. 855), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the county of Allegheny, and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein, and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven; constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county, and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction, and powers therein and otherwise."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Washers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 687, entitled

An Act defining how and when borough and township auditors shall audit borough, township and school accounts; providing for the publication of the same in one or more newspapers of the county and providing a penalty.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,
On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—39.

Baldwin,	Endsley,	McConnell,	Semmens,
Beales,	Eyre,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Burke,	Hackett,	Miller,	Vare,
Catlin,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Warner,
Craig,	Homsher,	Patton,	Wasbers,
Croft,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Weaver,
Crow,	Jones,	Salus,	Whitten,
Daix,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Beidleman,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—3.

Leiby,	Smith, R. E.,	Stewart,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 692, as follows:

An Act authorizing tenants in common and coparceners of land to pay their proportionate share of the taxes assessed against the land and providing that the sale thereof for unpaid taxes shall not impair or divest the title of those who have paid their respective shares of such taxes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the undivided interest of any tenant in common or coparcener of any seated lands in this Commonwealth shall not be sold or title thereto be divested by any treasurer's or sheriff's sale for the failure of any of said tenants in common or coparceners to pay their pro rata share of the taxes assessed against said land if such tenant in common or coparcener has paid to the proper collector of taxes his or her proportionate amount of taxes chargeable against such land and the sale of such lands shall divest and pass title to such undivided shares or interest only in such land as is held by such persons who have failed or neglected to pay their proportionate part of such taxes

Section 2 And any such tenant in common or coparcener shall have the right to pay his or her proportionate part of such taxes at any time before the sale of the land under any lien entered in the prothonotary's office or before any treasurer's sale to the prothonotary or county treasurer and it shall be the duty of the prothonotary or county treasurer to receive the same for the district levying the tax and the sale of the residue of the shares or interest in such lands on which the taxes remain unpaid shall in no way effect the right title or interest of those who have paid their proportionate share of such taxes for which the land is sold

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—43.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 704 (House Bill No. 773), entitled

An Act authorizing trustees of the insane or directors or overseers of the poor to provide a building or rooms for the care treatment and maintenance of persons temporarily mentally deranged.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 706, as follows:

An Act to fix the pay and mileage of witnesses and jurors in actions before magistrates aldermen and justices of the peace

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in all actions civil or criminal before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace in this Commonwealth within their respective jurisdiction each witness subpoenaed or sworn shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of one dollar per day and mileage at the rate of three cents per mile circular

Section 2 In all counties wherein juries may be summoned in any case civil or criminal before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace each juror summoned and sworn shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of two dollars per day and mileage at the rate of three cents per mile circular

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to amend the title, page 1, line 2, by striking out the word "magistrates;" also section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out the word "magistrate;" also section 2, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out the word "magistrate;" also section 3, page 2, line 3, by inserting before the word "inconsistent" the words "general, special and local."

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third reading as amended?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill as amended be printed for the use of the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 717, entitled

An Act prohibiting the erection of sewage disposal plants within the vicinity of intakes of water works or systems of water supply and providing for the issuing of injunctions to prevent violations of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the third time,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill?

BILL POSTPONED.

Mr. SCHANTZ. Mr. President, I move that the question, together with the further consideration of the bill, be postponed for the present.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I second the motion upon the condition that we either agree upon an amendment that is satisfactory or that the bill be called up next week for final disposition.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 721 (House Bill No. 734), on third reading, entitled

An Act amending section one of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred one entitled "An Act to authorize the township commissioners in townships of the first class to lay out widen open and vacate streets and the highways within their respective townships at the expense of the township or the properties benefited"

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILLS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 722 (House Bill No. 735), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—38.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, C. A.,
Buckman,	Jenkins,	Nason,	Snyder, P. W.,
Burke,	Jones,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Kline,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Leiby,	Salus,	Warner,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Endsley,	Martin,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Semmens,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Smith, R. E.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,	McNichol,	Smith, W. W.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affrmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILLS SIGNED.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both Houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 148, entitled

An Act constituting a Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws authorizing the appointment of the Commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

Senate Bill No. 156, entitled

An Act validating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the act of Assembly declared unconstitutional, approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred nine entitled "An Act providing for the construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth authorizing the taking of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction operation and maintenance and authorizing the levy of a tax and issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purposes" and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said act was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Senate Bill No. 196, entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws nine hundred three) entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court room of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand or more than one million two hundred thousand."

Senate Bill No. 205, entitled

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia county State of Pennsylvania to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of Common Pleas of Dauphin county for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the Treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Senate Bill No. 212, entitled

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Senate Bill No. 219, entitled

An Act to authorize counties cities borough towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings.

Senate Bill No. 355, entitled

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau; authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees; defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants."

Senate Bill No. 487, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

House Bill No. 905, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the sixteenth day of June one thousand eight hunderd ninety-one entitled "An Act to authorize the election of assistant assessor for the purpose of registration of voters in the townships and boroughs containing more than one election district wherein but one assessor for valuation resides."

Whereupon,

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Mr. E. E. Beidleman) in the presence of the Senate signed the same.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 753, entitled

A Supplement to the act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws forty-six), entitled "An Act fixing the number and salaries of clerks and other employes in the Auditor General's Department," creating a Bureau of Economy and Efficiency in said Department, fixing the number and salaries of its clerks and employes and prescribing its powers and duties.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—15.

Baldwin,	McNichol,	Schantz,	Wasbers,
Buckman,	Miller,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Catlin,	Nason,	Smith, W. W.,	Beidleman,
Kline,	Sassaman,	Sproul,	Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—21.

Burke,	Haldeman,	Martin,	Salus,
Craig,	Jenkins,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,
DeWitt,	Jones,	McKee,	Snyder, C. A.,
Eyre,	Leiby,	Patton,	Snyder, P. W.,
Hackett,	Lynch,	Phipps,	Stewart,
			Vare,

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the negative.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 756 (House Bill No. 376), entitled

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Homsher,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jones,	Phipps,	Vare,
Croft,	Kline,	Salus,	Warner,
Crow,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Whitten,
Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,	

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 761 (House Bill No. 900), entitled

An Act amending section nineteen of an act, entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention," approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred eighty-three, so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 765, entitled

An Act requiring assessors and assistant assessors in boroughs to keep account of days actually employed and make return thereof to county commissioners and fixing their compensation.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—42.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,
DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 766, entitled

An Act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for Injured Persons of the Trevorton, Shamokin and Mount Carmel Coal Fields, situate in the Township of Coal near Shamokin, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, for deficiency in maintenance for the two years commencing June first, one thousand nine hundred fifteen.

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—45.

Baldwin,	Graff, J. F.,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Beales,	Hackett,	Miller,	Snyder, P. W.,
Buckman,	Haldeman,	Nason,	Sproul,
Burke,	Homsher,	Patton,	Stewart,
Catlin,	Jenkins,	Phipps,	Vare,
Craig,	Jones,	Salus,	Warner,
Croft,	Kline,	Sassaman,	Wasbers,
Crow,	Leiby,	Schantz,	Weaver,
Daix,	Lynch,	Semmens,	Whitten,

DeWitt,	Martin,	Smith, R. E.,	Beidleman,
Endsley,	McConnell,	Smith, W. W.,	Pres. pro tem.
Eyre,	McKee,		

NAYS—0.

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 770, on third reading, entitled

An Act to further amend an act entitled "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction; and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its minor branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act; and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," amended to read "An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and providing a Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure as a Bureau of the Department of Public Instruction, and means and methods whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act, and providing for revocation and suspension of licenses by said Bureau; and providing penalties for violations thereof, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," by providing for further instruction prior to examination for licensure; by clarifying sections five (5) and twelve (12).

go over in its order.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

BILL ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the third reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 771, as follows:

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one thousand four hundred and five of an act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine) entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1405 The board of school directors of every school district in this Commonwealth shall for the purpose of designating the schools to be attended by the several pupils in said district subdivide the same in such manner that all the pupils in each school district shall be assigned to and reasonably accommodated in one of the public schools in said school district Provided That the board of school directors may upon cause shown permit any pupil or pupils in any school district to attend such other school in said district as the board may deem proper or may classify and assign the pupils in the district to any such school or schools therein as it may deem best in order to properly educate the same Provided further That hereafter it shall be unlawful for any school director superintendent or teacher to make any distinction whatever on account of or by reason of the race or color of any pupil or scholar who may be in attendance upon or seeking admission to any public school maintained wholly or in part under the school laws of the Commonwealth" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1405 The board of school directors of every school district in this Commonwealth shall for the purpose of designating the schools to be attended by the several pupils in said district sub-divide the same in such manner that all the pupils in each school district shall be assigned to and reasonably accommodated in one of the public schools in said school district Provided That the board of school directors may upon cause shown permit any pupil or pupils to any school district to attend such other school in said district as the board may deem proper or may classify and assign the pupils in the district to any such school or schools therein as it may deem best in order to properly educate the same

And said bill having been read at length the third time, and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question.

Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—44.

Baldwin,	Eyre,	McConnell,	Smith, R. E.,
Beales,	Graff, J. F.,	McKee,	Smith, W. W.,
Buckman,	Hackett,	McNichol,	Snyder, C. A.,
Burke,	Haldeman,	Miller,	Sproul,
Catlin,	Homsher,	Nason,	Stewart,
Craig,	Jenkins,	Patton,	Vare,
Croft,	Jones,	Phipps,	Warner,
Crow,	Kline,	Salus,	Wasbers,
Daix,	Leiby,	Sassaman,	Weaver,
DeWitt,	Lynch,	Schantz,	Whitten,
Endsley,	Martin,	Semmens,	Beidleman, Pres. pro tem.

NAYS—1.

Snyder, P. W.,

A majority of all the Senators having voted "aye" the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL NO. 877 RECALLED FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives, being introduced, presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read, as follows, considered and agreed to:

In the House of Representatives, April 11, 1917.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That House Bill No. 877, entitled An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commission of judges learned in the law for the said districts.

be recalled from the Governor for the purpose of amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 778, on third reading, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing for their registration, and licensing of certain operators, by the State Highway Department; prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated, or without the consent of the owner; forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles, or licensing of any operator, or regulating the speed of motor vehicles, by any county, borough, city, incorporated town, or township; establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways, with relation to other vehicles; providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles, and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles; regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom; providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act; prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder."

be recommitted to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 130, as follows:

An Act to transfer from the several courts of quarter session of peace and grant exclusively to the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth and in counties having a population of more than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants to an excise commission to be appointed by the judges of the courts of common pleas the power to grant renew extend transfer and revoke licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof providing for and directing the granting of licenses by such county commissioners or excise commissioners and the issuance of the same by the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace limiting the number of new licenses to be granted by the said county commissioners or excise commissioners fixing the compensation of the said county commissioners for the additional services required of them under this act and the compensation of the excise commissioners authorizing the said county commissioners or excise commissioners to employ and pay for clerical assistance to keep a record of proceedings and to make rules of procedure to enable them to carry out the provisions hereof and directing mercantile appraisers and constables to make their returns regarding liquor licenses to said county commissioners or excise commissioners instead of to the courts of quarter sessions of the peace

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the power to grant renew extend transfer and revoke licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof now vested in the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace within this Commonwealth shall on and after the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be vested in the county commissioners of the several counties except in counties having a population of more than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants where such power to grant renew extend transfer and revoke such licenses shall be vested in an excise commission composed of three persons to be appointed annually before the first day of July in each year by the judges of the court of common pleas of such county

Section 2 The county commissioners or excise commissioners as the case may be of the several counties shall on and after the day aforesaid grant renew extend and transfer licenses for the sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof at retail upon the same terms under the same conditions and for the same period of time upon under and for which licenses are now granted renewed extended or transferred by the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace but the number of such licenses shall equal but not exceed in any city of the first class one for every one thousand of the population therein in any city of the second class one for every seven hundred and fifty of the population therein and in any city of the third class one for every five hundred of the population therein in any borough town or township one for every five hundred of the population therein and one for every additional five hundred of the population therein Provided however That the county commissioners or excise commissioners aforesaid shall not revoke any of the existing licenses or refuse to renew extend or transfer the same by reason of such limitation but shall refuse to grant any new license or licenses in any such city borough town or township until by reason of the increase of population therein the ratio herein authorized and provided for shall be actually attained

The said county commissioners and excise commissioners may revoke such licenses for the same causes for which the said courts are now by law empowered to revoke the same

Section 3 The county commissioners or excise commissioners of the several counties shall grant to individuals copartnerships or unincorporated associations licenses for the manufacture of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof or for the sale of such liquors under such licenses at wholesale or by brewers distillers rectifiers compounders bottlers storekeepers and agents having stores or offices within this Commonwealth dealing in such liquors and renew extend or transfer the same upon the same terms under the same conditions and for the same period of time upon under and for which such licenses can now be granted extended or transferred by the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace licenses thus granted may be revoked for the same causes for which licenses may now be revoked by the general courts of quarter sessions aforesaid

Section 4 The county commissioners or excise commissioners shall also grant to corporations organized for the purpose under the laws of this Commonwealth or authorized to do business therein licenses to manufacture or sell such liquors at wholesale or as brewers distillers rectifiers compounders or bottlers unless such corporations shall within three years prior to their application have been convicted of violating any of the laws of this Commonwealth relating to the manufacture or sale of such liquors Such licenses shall be renewed extended or transferred upon the same terms under the same conditions and for the same period of time upon under or for which such licenses are now granted extended or transferred by the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace

Section 5 The county commissioners or excise commissioners of each county shall have the power to appoint such clerical assistants as they may reasonably require to carry out the purposes of this act at such salary or compensation as they shall determine which salaries or compensation shall be paid out of the respective county or city treasury

Section 6 The county commissioners or excise commissioners shall keep an accurate record of all their proceedings and testimony taken when sitting for the purpose of hearing applications for licenses or for the renewal extension transfer or revocation thereof or remonstrances against the granting renewal extension or transfer of licenses and of all determinations and orders made by them and shall state their reasons for refusing or revoking the same

Section 7 All petitions remonstrances and other papers relating to the granting renewing extending transferring or revoking licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors shall be filed with the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace as heretofore The said clerks shall immediately on receiving any such petitions make a record of the same and promptly thereafter transmit them to the county commissioners or excise commissioners as the case may be of their respective counties All fees heretofore payable to the several clerks of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace by persons applying for a license to manufacture or sell vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or the renewal extension or transfer thereof shall continue to be payable to such clerks who shall make such disposition thereof as is now or may hereafter be required by law

Section 8 As compensation for the new duties hereby imposed upon them the county commissioners of the several counties shall each be entitled to receive out of their respective county treasuries in addition to the compensation now by law allowed them the following sums

In counties having a population of less than one hundred and fifty thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars per annum

In counties having a population of more than one hundred and fifty thousand and less than five hundred thousand one thousand five hundred dollars per annum

In counties having a population of more than five hundred thousand and less than one million two thousand dollars per annum

In counties having a population of more than one million and less than one million five hundred thousand two thousand five hundred dollars per annum

In counties having a population of more than one million five hundred thousand the excise commissioners shall receive a salary of five thousand dollars per annum to be from the city or county treasury

Section 9 The county commissioners or excise commissioners of each county shall sit for the purpose of hearing petitions for granting licenses or for the renewal thereof or for the transfer thereof from place to place once in each and every year and for the purpose of hearing petitions for the granting of transfers of licenses from person to person semi-annually Special meetings however may be held from time to time to transfer any such licenses due to the death of a licensee or whenever any such license may have been sold under bankruptcy proceedings or to revoke any license theretofore granted upon due and legal application or petition made therefor and properly filed of record with said county commissioners or excise commissioners as the same are now authorized and permitted under the existing laws or practice of the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace No transfers of licenses to be granted unless and until the creditors of the licensee are or have been protected

All license hearings before the county commissioners and excise commissioners shall be public

Section 10 Whenever the county commissioners or excise commissioners of any county shall have granted renewed extended or transferred any license as hereinbefore provided they shall certify their action to the clerk of the quarter sessions of the peace in and for such county who shall file the certificate therefor among the records of his office and shall thereupon issue such license under the seal of the court unto such person association or corporation and for such term as the certificate of the county commissioners or excise commissioners aforesaid may order and direct

Whenever the county commissioners or excise commissioners aforesaid shall revoke any license as hereinbefore authorized and provided such action shall likewise be certified to the clerk of the quarter sessions of the peace in and for such county who shall file the certificate of revocation among the records of the office and give immediate notice thereof by serving upon such license a certified copy of such certificate under the seal of said court and thereupon said license shall thereafter be null and void and of no effect Provided however That in any such case of refusal or revocation an appeal will lie and may be taken by any party thereto whose rights have been impaired destroyed or affected to the Supreme or Superior Courts of this Commonwealth to be heard and disposed of by said court in the manner and according to the method and practice now pursued under the present and existing law

Section 11 Whenever under the laws of this Commonwealth in force prior to the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen applicants for license for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof or for

renewal extension transfer or revocation of the same shall have been required to file any papers or make any advertisement within or for a period prior to the session of the court of quarter sessions of the peace at which the application is to be heard such paper or advertisement shall be made within or for the same period prior to the meeting of the county commissioners or excise commissioners of the proper county at which the said application is to be heard

Section 12 Every provision of the laws of this Commonwealth in force prior to the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen relating to license for manufacturing or selling vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof or for the renewal extension transfer or revocation thereof or to persons holding such licenses or to the amount and payment of fees or the bonds to be filed for such licenses when issued by the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace shall on and after the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen unless inconsistent with the provisions of this act or as herein modified apply to licenses granted renewed extended transferred or revoked by the county commissioners or excise commissioners of the several counties or to the persons holding the same as the case may be it being the intention of this act to transfer the power to grant renew extend or revoke licenses for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof from the several courts of quarter sessions of the peace to the county commissioners or excise commissioners exclusively as the case may be but to make no other change in the laws relating to licenses for the manufacture or sale of such liquors or any admixture thereof existing prior to the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen except such changes and modifications as are herein contained and such as shall be necessary for the proper administration of this act

Section 13 The procedure for applying for a license for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof or for the renewal extension transfer or revocation of such license or for a remonstrance against the granting renewal extension or transfer of a license shall be the same as shall have existed prior to the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen except as otherwise provided in this act but the county commissioners or excise commissioners as the case may be of the several counties shall have the power to make such rules of procedure not inconsistent with this act as they shall deem expedient for the proper administration of their duties hereunder

Section 14 The powers and duties of mercantile appraisers and constables with reference to license for the manufacture or sale of vinous spirituous malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof shall after the first day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be the same as theretofore except that they shall make their returns to the county commissioner or excise commissioners of their respective counties instead of to the courts of quarter sessions of the peace of their respective counties

Section 15 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 551 (House Bill No. 262), as follows:

An Act a supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies" approved the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five providing that corporations engaged in the business of supplying natural gas may manufacture or purchase and transport and supply manufactured fuel gas

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations engaged in supplying natural gas under the provisions of an act of Assembly approved the twenty-ninth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of natural gas companies" shall also have power to manufacture or purchase and to transport and supply manufactured fuel gas to the public through their transportation and distribution lines to and into any district in which they are authorized to do business provided however that such manufactured fuel gas shall not be supplied in any district not theretofore supplied with natural gas where an existing corporation has the right to supply and is supplying in any such district manufactured gas for light heat or fuel purposes or any of them except with the consent of such corporation

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 708, as follows:

A Supplement to an act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" approved the twenty-ninth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred seventy-four providing for the incorporation and regulation of telephone companies defining the rights powers and privileges of such corporations conferring upon them the right of eminent domain and regulating the exercise thereof authorizing and regulating the purchase acquisition and leasing of the properties systems and securities of other like corporations associations and persons engaged in the telephone business authorizing existing corporations engaged in the telephone business or furnishing telephone service to accept the provisions of this act

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations of the second class may be formed and created in the manner provided for by the act to which this is a supplement and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto with all the rights powers and privileges therein granted for the purpose of constructing owning maintaining equipping installing leasing acquiring and operating a telephone system or systems to furnish telephone service and for the purpose of owning any interest in telephone line or lines property rights privileges or franchises and for the transaction of any business incidental to telephone service and business or by which electricity may be applied to any useful purpose

Section 2 Such corporation may erect construct lay and maintain lines of telephone across along under and upon any public road street lane or highway and across or under any waters within the limits of this Commonwealth by the erection and construction of buildings poles underground conduits cables wires anchor guys posts piers abutments or subways with all other necessary fixtures and may alter inspect renew and repair its system The lines shall be so constructed as not to injuriously interrupt the public use of said roads streets lanes or highways or the navigation of said waters This section shall not be construed to authorize the construction of a bridge across navigable waters

Section 3 Before erecting or constructing any telephone system or systems as authorized in the preceding section across along under or upon any public road street lane or highway in any city town township or borough application for permission shall be made to the proper authorities of such city town township or borough who shall therupon grant permission by ordinance or other proper procedure imposing such reasonable conditions and regulations as may be deemed necessary subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission established under "The Public Service Company Law" approved the twenty-sixth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen or its successors in authority

Section 4 Any corporation formed under this act or accepting the provisions thereof as provided in section eleven hereof shall have the right and power of eminent domain to appropriate and acquire such private and public property as may be necessary for the construction and maintenance of its lines or systems of telephone communications and shall have the power to construct erect and maintain the necessary buildings machinery and apparatus for erecting constructing and maintaining the same

Section 5 If the parties cannot agree as to the amount of damages sustained by any owner or owners or if by reason of the absence of legal capacity of the owner or owners no such agreement can be made for the right to enter upon lands or premises for the purposes named in this act such corporation shall tender a bond or have the same filed in the manner provided by section forty-one of the act to which this is a supplement as amended and the damages shall be assessed accordingly

Section 6 Subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission established under "The Public Service Company Law" approved the twenty-sixth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen or its successors in authority such corporation or any corporation accepting the provisions of this act as hereinafter provided may buy and own the capital stock of any other like corporation and acquire in the manner hereinafter provided and thereafter be possessed of own hold exercise and enjoy all the franchises corporate property rights and credits then possessed owned held or exercised by said last mentioned vendor corporation including all line or lines system or systems of telephone owned operated or maintained by the said vendor corporation whether or not competing with the lines of telephone owned operated or maintained by the said vendee corporation

Section 7 Such acquisition shall be effected in the manner and upon the conditions hereinafter stated to-wit

First The corporations shall pursuant to resolution duly adopted by the directors of each make and execute under their respective corporate seals duly attested an agreement providing for such terms stipulations and conditions thereof and particularly showing the number of outstanding shares of capital stock of the vendor corporation the amount fixed as the price or value per share thereof and the mode by which the respective holders shall receive payment for the same and with a map of the telephone line to be acquired thereunder annexed and made a part thereof

Second Said agreement shall be submitted for approval or disapproval to the stockholders of each corporation at separate meetings either annual or special duly convened after notice given by advertisement once a week for four (4) weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation published in each county in which said corporations have their principal offices and if said agreement shall be approved by a majority of the stockholders of each corporation present at such meeting then that fact shall be certified by the secretary of each corporation under its corporate seal and a copy of the agreement with said certificates attached shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and immediately upon the filing thereof all the corporate rights franchises and privileges and all the corporate property real personal and mixed right and credits owned possessed held used or otherwise exercised by the vendor corporation shall (subject however to full payment in the manner prescribed by said agreement of the stipulated price or value of the whole capital stock of said vendor corporation) become and be vested in the acquiring corporation subject to all the debts liabilities and duties of said vendor corporation and shall thereafter be possessed held used exercised and enjoyed by said acquiring corporation as fully completely and absolutely in all respects as the same had been theretofore owned held exercised and enjoyed by said vendor corporation and said acquiring corporation may also with respect to the property so acquired have exercised and enjoy all the rights powers privileges and franchises which it has and may exercise respecting its other lines and property Upon the filing in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of said copy of agreement and attached certificates as herein required the capital stock of said vendor corporation shall be wholly extinguished by payment in the mode prescribed in the said agreement of the stipulated price or value thereof and all certificates representative thereof shall be delivered to the acquiring corporation for immediate cancellation and all the corporate rights franchises privileges and property of every kind acquired under said agreement shall thereafter be represented by the capital stock of the acquiring corporation and thereupon the corporate existence of said vendor corporation shall terminate

Section 8 That a copy of said agreement with said certificates attached filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall be evidence of the lawful holding of the meetings of stockholders of each corporation and of the due approval of the said agreement as required by this act as well as the precedent action of the directors or other proper officers of each approving corporation If any stockholder or stockholders of the corporation whose franchises corporate property rights and credits are required under said agreement and who did not vote in favor of said agreement shall be dissatisfied with said acquisition and the terms and conditions thereof contained in said agreement then it shall and may be lawful for any such stockholder or stockholders within thirty days after the filing of said agreement in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth to apply by petition to the court of common pleas of the county in which the chief office of the said last mentioned corporation may be situate and the court shall thereupon appoint three disinterested persons who shall estimate and appraise the damage if any which such stockholder or stockholders shall suffer or sustain by reason of the purchase and acquisition provided for by said agreement and whose award or that of a majority of them when confirmed by the said court shall be final and conclusive and the persons so appointed or a majority of them shall also appraise the share or shares of said stockholders in the said company at the market value thereof without regard to any depreciation resulting from said purchase and acquisition and the said company may at its election either pay to the said holder the amount of damages so found or the value of the stock so ascertained and thereupon the said stock shall be transferred to and be vested in said acquiring company

Section 9 In connection with and upon consummation of such acquisition as aforesaid the acquiring company may issue its own then authorized or lawfully increased capital stock or its own bonds properly authorized either or both at not less than the par or face value thereof not exceeding the amount authorized by its charter for the purpose of paying for and extinguishing the outstanding capital stock and bonded indebtedness or either of the corporation whose rights property and franchises are so acquired

Section 10 Subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission established under "The Public Service Company Law" approved the twenty-sixth day of July Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen or its successors in authority such corporation or any corporation accepting the provisions of this act as hereinafter provided may purchase acquire lease own or otherwise control any line or lines system or systems of telephone communication property rights privileges or franchises owned by any individual partnership joint stock association or other associations or corporation whether or not said line or lines compete with the lines of telephone owned controlled operated or maintained by the purchasing corporation Such purchase acquisition lease ownership or control shall be effected by deed bill of sale lease or other proper instrument

Section 11 Any corporation heretofore incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth and engaged principally in the business of furnishing telephone service may upon filing in the office, of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a certificate under the seal of such corporation accepting the provisions of this act duly authorized by a vote of the majority of stockholders at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose be entitled to and shall thereafter possess all the privileges immunities rights franchises and power conferred upon corporations formed hereunder and all the property rights easements and privileges belonging to any such corporation theretofore acquired by gift grant conveyance assignment municipal ordinance or resolution or otherwise upon filing such acceptance as aforesaid shall be ratified approved confirmed and assured unto such corporation with like effect and to all intents and purposes as if the same had been originally acquired by and under the authority of this act

Section 12 All the provisions of the act to which this is supplementary and of other acts affecting or relating to companies doing a telephone business shall apply to corporations formed under or accepting the provisions of this act to the same extent and in the same manner as they applied prior to the approving of this act except so far as they may be inconsistent with the provisions hereof

Section 13 Each section of this act and every part thereof is hereby declared to be an independent section or part of a section and if any section sub-section sentence clause or word of this act shall for any reason be held unconstitutional the validity of the remaining words phrases clauses sentences sub-sections and sections of this act shall not be affected thereby

Section 14 All act and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and no previously repealed act is re-enacted hereby

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President. I move that Senate Bill 708, the bill just read, be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary Special, for the purpose of further amendment.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 725, entitled

An Act requiring cities of the second class to give an increase of at least one hundred and fifty dollars per year to all employes now drawing a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum or less and providing a method to enforce the provisions of this act.

The first section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That cities of the second class are required to grant to all employes of such cities engaged in any service or occupation whatsoever and receiving a salary of fifteen hundred dollars or less an increase of at least one hundred and fifty dollars per annum

Jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon the courts of common pleas of the several counties to enforce by mandamus the provisions of this act

The second section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 2 This act shall take effect on the first day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 2, page 1, line 13, by striking out the word "June" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "January;" also by striking out the word "seventeen" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighteen."

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act requiring cities of the second class to give an increase of at least one hundred and fifty dollars per year to all employes now drawing a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum or less and providing a method to enforce the provisions of this act.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 728, entitled

An Act conferring upon certain corporations the right to take and appropriate lands and waters for the erection of dams and reservoirs and the transportation of water for irrigating farm lands.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That corporations incorporated for the supply of water to the public or the supply storage or transportation of water and water power for commercial and manufacturing purposes under the provisions of section two clause nine of the act of April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" and its amendments are authorized to take and appropriate under the power of eminent domain lands and waters within two square miles of the water shed for the purpose of erecting dams and reservoirs for the storing and transportation of water for the purpose of irrigating farm lands

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section?

Mr. BURKE. Mr. President, I move to amend section 1, page 1, line 9, by striking out the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "four."

Mr. McKEE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

Section 2 All damages for the taking and injury of private property shall be ascertained assessed and paid in the manner provided by section forty-one of the said act of April twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and its amendments

The title of the bill was read as follows and agreed to:

An Act conferring upon certain corporations the right to take and appropriate lands and waters for the erection of dams and reservoirs and the transportation of water for irrigating farm lands.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 741, as follows:

An Act to provide for a stadium in cities of the first class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the commissioners in charge of public parks in every city of the first class are authorized to build and maintain in any park under their control a stadium or other structure suitable for the accommodation of players and spectators of athletic games and other open air sports and the councils of such city shall appropriate to said commissioners the funds required for such purpose

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 767, as follows:

An Act defining consolidation of schools providing for the establishment and regulation of consolidated schools and providing for State Aid for the transportation of pupils to and from consolidated schools

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following words and phrases as used in this act shall unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context have the following meanings

1 Consolidation of schools is the act of uniting two or more public elementary schools formerly maintained in separate buildings

2 A consolidated school is a public elementary school formed by uniting two or more schools which previously were housed in separate buildings.

3 A joint consolidated school is a consolidated school maintained by the joint action of two or more school districts

Section 2 State Administration and Supervision The State Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to investigate and to aid in the establishment of consolidated schools and to inspect and approve such schools as hereinafter provided The State Board of Education shall make a report annually to the Governor and Legislature describing the condition and progress of consolidation of schools throughout the Commonwealth and making such recommendations as the board may deem advisable

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall be the executive officer of the State Board of Education for the administration of this act He shall appoint from time to time with the approval of the State Board of Education such supervisors of elementary rural education other than those already provided for by law as may be necessary in carrying out the provisions of this act

Section 3 Local Administration and Control Any school district may through its board of directors establish equip furnish and maintain consolidated schools and may transport pupils to and from such schools as already provided for by law

Two or more districts may as provided in article eighteen sections one thousand eight hundred and one to one thousand eight hundred and eight inclusive of the School Laws of Pennsylvania of one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" through a joint school committee establish equip furnish and maintain consolidated schools

Section 4 Reimbursement Consolidated or joint consolidated schools shall so long as they are approved by the State Board of Education as to organization control location equipment courses of study qualifications of teachers methods of instruction condition of admission expenditures of money methods and means of transportation and the contracts providing therefor constitute approved local or joint consolidated schools School districts maintaining such approved local or joint consolidated schools shall receive reimbursement as hereinafter provided

The Commonwealth in order to aid in the establishment and maintenance of approved local or joint consolidated schools shall as provided in this act pay annually from the treasury to school districts and unions of school districts maintaining such schools an amount equal to one-half the sum which has been expended during the previous school year by such a school district or districts for transporting pupils of said consolidated schools to and from said consolidated schools Provided That said sum shall not include amounts paid for the purchase and repair of the vehicle or vehicles used for transporting these pupils and provided further that no one school district shall receive more than three thousand dollars ($3,000) in any one school year

On or before the first Wednesday of January of any year in which the regular session of the Legislature is held the State Board of Education shall present to the Legislature an estimate of the amount of money necessary to meet the expenditures to be incurred in the administration of this act for the two school years beginning with the first day of the ensuing July and of the amount necessary to meet the claims of school districts and unions of school districts maintaining approved consolidated schools under the provisions of this act for the two school years beginning with the first day of the ensuing July On the basis of such a statement the Legislature shall make an appropriation of such amounts as may be necessary to meet the expense of carrying this act into effect and of reimbursing such school districts and unions of school districts for such school years as herein provided

On or before the tenth day of July of each year the school board of each district maintaining a consolidated school shall present to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction a sworn statement of the amount expended during the school year previous to such first day of July for transporting pupils to and from local or joint consolidated schools as herein provided On the basis of such a statement the State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall by requisition upon the State Treasury pay such school district or districts and joint school districts such reimbursement for the previous school year as is provided for in this act

Section 5 To carry out the purpose of this act the monies appropriated by the Commonwealth for the support of the public schools in the several school districts

shall be available in the districts in which this act becomes operative

Provision for the compensation of two supervisors of elementary rural education a stenographer and other necessary expenses shall be made in the general appropriation act

Section 6 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 782 (House Bill No. 775), entitled

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the courts of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia in accordance with article five section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

The first and second sections of the bill were read as follows and agreed to:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the salaries of each of the clerks of the courts of record of the county of Philadelphia is hereby fixed and determined in accordance with article five section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth to be the sum of four thousand dollars per annum payable in equal semi-monthly installments by the said County of Philadelphia

Section 2 All acts of assembly and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title of the bill was read as follows:

An Act to fix and determine the salary of the several clerks of the courts of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia in accordance with article five section seven of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title?

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I move to amend the title, page 1, line 2, by striking out the words "Common Pleas" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "record".

Mr. HOMSHER. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The Senate proceeded to the second reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 784, as follows:

An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to appoint one clerk who shall be an expert stenographer and four stenographers and fixing their salaries

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Superintendent of Public Instruction is authorized to appoint in the Department of Public Instruction one clerk who shall be an expert stenographer and who shall act also as clerk to the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure and as clerk to the Dental Council The salary of said clerk and expert stenographer shall be two thousand dollars per annum

The Superintendent of Public Instruction is also authorized to appoint in the Department of Public Instruction four skilled stenographers and typewriters at a salary of twelve hundred dollars each per annum

Section 2 The salaries of the aforesaid clerk and stenographers shall be paid semi-monthly in the manner now provided by law by the State Treasurer upon warrant of the Auditor General

Section 3 The act approved the twenty-sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred ninety-five (Pamphlet Laws three hundred twenty-four) entitled "An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to employ a skilled stenographer and typewriter in the Department of Public Instruction" and the act approved the second day of March one thousand nine hundred five (Pamphlet Laws thirty-two) entitled "An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to employ an additional skilled stenographer and typewriter in the Department of Public Instruction" are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 394 (House Bill No. 266), entitled

An Act to amend the first section of an act entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven entitled 'An Act to fix the salaries of the deputy register clerks and employes in the office of the register of wills of any county of this Commonwealth having a population of one million or over so as to make it apply to counties containing a population of one million four hundred thousand or over" approved the fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven so as to change the salaries of the said deputy register clerks and employes of the office of register of wills of said counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 494, entitled

An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas to order the sale in certain cases to transfer to remained interests of real property devised by will to a person or persons for life with a vested remainder to others.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 508, entitled

An Act regulating the fees of notaries public.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 521 (House Bill No. 308), entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act to provide for necessary medical attention to indigent persons who may be assumed to be in danger of suffering from hydrophobia, or rabies, after having been bitten by an animal believed to be suffering therefrom; repealing all prior acts relating hereunto; and providing for the payment of expenses for such treatment heretofore incurred in good faith," by providing for payment of expenses for treatment of all persons bitten by dogs by the county from the fund collected from the taxation of dogs.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 670, entitled

An Act to increase the powers of courts in proceedings for desertion and non-support of wives, children or aged parents, and in proceedings for failure to comply with orders of court in fornication and bastardy proceedings or other proceedings for the support of illegitimate children; directing that imprisonment in such cases be at hard labor in such institution as the court shall name; providing for the payment by such institution, or in certain cases by the county from which the defendant was committed, of the sum of sixty-five cents per day, to be paid to the person designated by the order of the court; providing for the issuance of attachments and for the disbursement of moneys collected on forfeiture of bonds, bail bonds or recognizances; and providing for the payment by the county of the expenses incident to carry out this act

And said bill having been read at length the first time,

Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 691 (House Bill No. 856), entitled

An Act to further amend section fifteen of an act approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State asylum for the chronic insane to be called the State asylum for the chronic insane of Pennsylvania and making an appropriation therefor," as amended, fixing the maximum for maintenance weekly per capita.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 710, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-six entitled "An Act relating to appeals in cases of summary convictions."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 745, entitled

An Act to validate affidavits acknowledgments and other notarial acts heretofore performed by notaries public of this Commonwealth within three months after the expiration of the time for which they have been commissioned to act.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 755 (House Bill No. 8), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school district, and other incorporated districts, held pursuant to the provisions of an act, approved the 20th day of April, Anno Domini 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same, and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof," and the amendments thereto, and validating bonds issued, or authorized to be issued, in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 768, entitled

An Act providing a method of establishing title to land acquired at a sale for unpaid taxes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 776, entitled

An Act relating to free public non-sectarian libraries and branch libraries within this Commonwealth; providing for their establishment, maintenance and regulation and for the maintenance and regulation of such free public non-sectarian libraries as may have been already established by the several counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships; and providing that all library property and all gifts, devises, grants or endowments for library purposes shall be exempt from taxation, and providing that the several counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships may levy taxes, condemn private property and borrow money for library purposes and imposing penalties for injuring library property and for violations of library regulations and repealing existing laws in relation to the above subjects.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 792, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the several counties of this Commonwealth to locate, lay out, open, construct and maintain public bridges whether wholly or partly within any city, borough or township therein, across any river or stream dividing or separating any part of said county from any other part thereof, together with the necessary bridge approaches, viaduct or other approaches, to conveniently connect the same with existing streets or public roads in such cities, boroughs or townships; authorizing the cities and boroughs wherein such bridges are located, to share in the cost thereof and to provide approaches therefor; authorizing the taking and appropriation of property and rights of property, public or private, for such purposes; providing a method for making compensation for property taken, injured or destroyed thereby; authorizing the several counties to enter upon and over public streets or roads in cities, boroughs or townships for said purposes; authorizing the several counties to appropriate money, levy taxes and incur indebtedness therefor; and authorizing the several counties to charge and collect tolls and rentals for the concurrent use of such bridges and approaches by street railway, telegraph, telephone or other corporations or persons making use thereof other than for ordinary foot or vehicle traffic and to enter into contracts for such use.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 797, entitled

An Act to ascertain and fix the fees to be received by the several clerks of the courts of oyer and terminer general jail delivery and quarter sessions of the peace of this Commonwealth in counties having a population of over one million five hundred thousand.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 813, entitled

An Act relating to the assessment and payment of damages to owners of property abutting on State highways in certain counties damaged by a change of the existing lines and location of such State highway imposing certain powers and duties upon the Highway Commissioner and the county commissioners and providing for the payment of such damages by such counties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 817, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini nineteen hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act establishing in counties containing a population of from eight hundred thousand to one million four hundred thousand, a Board of assessment and revision of taxes for State and county purposes, prescribing the method of their appointment, their powers and duties; fixing their salary, to be paid by the proper county; and abolishing the office of ward, borough and township assessors, in so far as respects the assessment of state and county taxes" by changing the pay of subordinate assessors from four to five dollars per day

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The Senate proceeded to the first reading and consideration of Senate Bill No. 818, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the nineteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to provide for licensing and regulating private banking in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. DeWITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. DeWITT, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 694, entitled

An Act amending an act approved the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to provide

revenue by taxation,' approved the seventh day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine."

Mr. PATTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. PATTON, from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 640, entitled

An Act to amend sections three, four, five, six and eleven of an act approved the twentieth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities, and all county or other public employes, if any, paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof, and out of the treasury of said cities, and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions."

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

An Act authorizing married women to make conveyances of her real estate without her husband joining therein, where the husband has by agreement duly executed and acknowledged, released his courtesy right or such right or estate as he may have or may inherit after the death of his wife in said real estate, whether he has in said release undertaken and agreed to join in a deed or deeds for the conveyance of said real estate or not, and validating all such conveyances heretofore made.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 665, entitled

An Act providing that every advertisement and notice required by authority of law or rules of court to be published in any county in the Commonwealth or in any city coincident to the boundaries of a county, may in addition to the publication of such advertisements or notices required to be made in newspapers published and printed in the English language, be also published by the public officer, body or court directed by law or rules of court to publish such advertisement or notice in newspapers printed in the English language, in one or more daily newspapers printed in a foreign language or languages, such newspapers printed in a foreign language or languages to be printed in and have general circulation in the county or the city coincident to the boundaries of said county for at least three years continuously before the publication of such advertisements or notices; and further providing for the prices to be charged for publishing such advertisements or notices in any such foreign newspapers; how often the same shall be published; and the stipulations and regulations under which the same shall be published.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 789, entitled

An Act validating divorces granted on the ground of the hopeless insanity of the respondent, under the provisions of an act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to amend section eight of the act approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled 'An Act to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes,' so as to extend its provisions to the husband or wife of a lunatic or non compos mentis, and to further regulate the procedure in action for divorce."

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 763, entitled

An Act to amend article 2, section 1, sub-section T, and article 5, section 12 of an act, entitled "An Act defining public service companies; and providing for their regulation by prescribing and defining their duties and liabilities; prescribing, defining, and limiting their powers, and regulating their incorporation, and, to a limited extent, regulating municipal corporations engaged or about to engage in the business of public service companies; creating and establishing a Public Service Commission for the regulation aforesaid; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such commission and its officers, including the exclusive power to regulate the construction, alteration, relocation, or abolition of the crossings of railroad corporations, street railway corporations, or other public service companies, and of public highways by the tracks or other facilities of said companies; providing for the ascertainment by the Commission of the expense and damages resulting from such construction, alteration, relocation or abolition, and for the payment of such expense and damages, severally or proportionately, by the public service companies interested, the State, or municipal corporation concerned, and giving persons whose property is thereby taken, injured, or destroyed, authority to sue the Commonwealth for damages in such cases; providing for the terms, salaries, and compensation of the members of the commission, its officers, counsel, and employes, prescribing and regulating the practice and procedure before such commission, and upon appeal and judicial review of its orders and determinations by the court of common pleas; and giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive jurisdiction of such appeals in certain cases, and of all injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate proceedings to enforce the provisions of this act and the orders of the commission, and to restrain such orders, subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court; prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the violation of the orders of said commission, making it the duty of the Public Service Commission to enforce the provisions of the act approved the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled 'An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employes on railroads, by compelling common carriers by railroad to properly man their trains, by amending section nine thereof; repealing the act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seven, which provided for the appointment of the Pennsylvania State Railroad Commission and sections one and two of the act, approved the fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, entitled 'An Act to enforce the provisions of the seventeenth article of the Constitution, relative to railroads and canals;' and an act, entitled 'To provide the maximum care service charges, including car storage charges, that railroad companies and corporations, or associations may charge and collect on each car loading, and not unloaded within the free time for unloading cars, and fixing the free time that shall be allowed for unloading cars,' approved twenty-fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and seven; and the proviso of clause three and the provisions of clause seven of section thirty-four of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations' approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and all other legislation inconsistent with or supplied by this act," approved the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, by providing the proportions in which the cost of establishing overhead and undergrade crossings shall be borne by railroad companies, the Commonwealth and the various municipal divisions of the Commonwealth.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 843, entitled

An Act making an appropriation for the payment of the judgments and costs recovered in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County in the suits of the Western Saving Fund Society of Philadelphia vs. Robert K. Young, Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. W. W. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. W. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 230 (House Bill 37), entitled

An Act to further amend sections sixteen and twenty-five of an act approved the seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to create the Department of Public Printing and Binding to carry out the provisions of section twelve, article three of the Constitution in relation to the public printing and binding and the supply of paper and other materials therefor," as amended.

Also from the Committee on Public Printing, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 224 (House Bill No. 218), entitled

A Joint Resolution directing the publication of the pamphlet containing the Game, Fish and Forestry Laws.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Elections, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 197, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section six of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Also from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 561, entitled

An Act to further amend the act approved the fifth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six, entitled "An Act to provide for the personal registration of electors in cities of the third class of this Commonwealth, to make such registration a condition of the right to vote in such cities, and the provide penalties for violation of its provisions," by providing for special registration for special elections.

Also from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 769, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred sixty-four, entitled "An Act to regulate elections by soldiers in actual military service."

Also from the Committee on Municipal Affairs, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 672, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act providing a system of government for boroughs, and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating to boroughs."

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 823, entitled

An Act validating proceedings by town councils in boroughs for the paving and curbing of public highways, and validating municipal liens filed therefor.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Corporations, re-reported as committed Senate Bill No. 622, entitled

An Act to amend section one and further amend section two of an act approved the twenty-third day of April one thousand nine hundred and three, entitled "An Act to designate a uniform date when the commissioners of the several counties shall issue their precepts to assessors to make the triennial assessments and the reassessment between the periods of the triennial assessment of property and fixing the time for the return thereof" by providing for a quadrennial assessment instead of triennial assessment.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiicary Special, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 716, entitled

An Act prohibiting holders of brewer's licenses from having offices, or agents soliciting business in counties unless by authority of an agency license, and providing for the revocation of certain licenses.

RECESS.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. CATLIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING SYMPATHY TO PEOPLE OF CHESTER AND SURROUNDING TERRITORY.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced presented extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives, which was twice read as follows:

In the House of Representatives, April 11, 1917.

Whereas, The deepest gloom has been cast over the City of Chester and the surrounding territory by the terrible catastrophe which occurred at Eddystone and which has killed and maimed so many of the best citizens of that community; and

Whereas, Not only the City of Chester and the surrounding territory, but the entire State, feels deeply the loss in human life that it has sustained by reason of this catastrophe; therefore be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the General Assembly hereby extends its sympathy as well the that of the entire Commonwealth, tc the people of Chester and the surrounding territory; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor is authorized to convey to the Mayor of the City of Chester and the Burgess of Eddystone Borough the sympathy of this General Assembly and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, assuring them that not only the sympathy but also the assistance which is in his power and at his command are available to the people of this community.

Mr. SPROUL. Mr. President. I move that Rule 39, which requires resolutions to be referred to the proper committee. be dispensed with, in order that the resolution just read may be acted upon immediately.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the resolution?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make reports from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. KLINE, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 796, entitled

An Act validating all acts done, all contracts and expenditures made by virtue of and all obligations for money borrowed, issued under the provisions of an act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and two), entitled "An Act requiring counties now or hereafter containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand, and not more than one million two hundred thousand inhabitants, to establish and maintain schools for the care and education of male children under the jurisdiction of the juvenile courts, and conferring the powers and regulating the proceedings for the establishments, maintenance and management thereof," and the amendments thereof and supplements thereto, and making such acts, contracts and obligations as valid and effective as if the said act had applied to each and every county within this Commonwealth and was constitutional and valid; vesting title to any and all property purchased or condemned by any county for said schools under said act in the county which paid for the same.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 695, entitled

An Act to prevent fraud and deceit by regulating and inspecting investment companies and dealers in certain stocks, bonds or other securities; providing for the regulation and registration of such companies and dealers; creating and establishing a Securities Commission for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act; prescribing and defining the powers and duties of such Commission, and providing penalties.

Also from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed Senate Bill No. 812, entitled

An Act fixing the residence of the warden of the county jail or prison in counties of this Commonwealth where the government of such jail or prison is or may hereafter be vested in a prison board.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to make report from committee at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. C. A. SNYDER, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as amended Senate Bill No. 543, entitled

An Act defining cold storage and regulating time of storage of certain articles of food and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

RECESS.

Mr. HOMSHER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now take a recess for ten minutes.

Mr. STEWART. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

AFTER RECESS.

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 11, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: There is pending before your honorable bodies an act to appropriate two millions of dollars ($2,000,000.) as an emergency fund to be expended upon warrant of the Governor, duly audited by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth.

The reasons for the introduction of this act are as follows: Your Executive, impressed by the serious situation now confronting this Commonwealth and Nation, called upon above two hundred leading citizens to perform the unselfish and patriotic duty of becoming a Committee of Public Safety for Pennsylvania. These gentlemen in open conference selected an Executive Committee of twelve, who with their President were given certain powers and duties of great moment to the safety of the people of Pennsylvania.

This Executive Committee, together with the other officers of the General Committee, unanimously approved the act now before you and urged its prompt passage. The form in which this act is drawn corresponds with the precedents set by the Assemblies of this Commonwealth since 1861, which precedents are as follows:

The Legislature, April 12, 1861, passed "An Act for the better organization of the militia of the Commonwealth." This act appropriated five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) and provided that its expenditure should be "under the direction and by the advice and consent of the Governor, and no bill shall be paid without being endorsed by him."

The Legislature, May 15, 1861, passed "An Act to create a loan to provide for the arming of the State." Section one authorized the Governor and State Treasurer to borrow a sum not exceeding three million dollars ($3,000,000.) and Section 11 provides that these funds shall be drawn from "the State Treasury from time to time upon the warrant of the Governor." Section 13 of the same act further provided that twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) be appropriated for the compensation of men required by the Governor to serve the State or National government. This sum likewise was payable upon the warrant of the Governor.

The Legislature, May 4, 1864, passed an act to create a loan and provided for arming the State, in Section 4, of which the Governor is authorized to draw on his warrant from the State Treasury a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.).

In the year 1902 when the National Guard was called out by the Governor to suppress industrial disturbances in the anthracite coal district, the Governor drew from time to time as his warrant book shows, large sums of money which were honored by the State Treasurer and the money used to suppress the disturbance. There was no appropriation for the purpose but the authority for the Governor's action was based upon Section 40 of the Act of April 28, 1899, which provides that compensation for the National Guard when in actual service shall be provided upon warrants drawn by the Governor upon the Treasurer of the Commonwealth. This was done and the accounts duly audited by the Auditor General.

The Act of May 5, 1911, appropriated a million dollars ($1,000,000) as an emergency fund, to be paid upon the warrant drawn by the Governor upon the State Treasurer.

The Act of June 13, 1907, provides that there shall be placed at the disposal of the Governor and to be expended under orders of the Governor, the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000), for which the Governor is authorized to draw his warrant directly upon the State Treasurer.

The Act of May 11, 1909, provides substantially the same method for the expenditure of a similar sum of money.

The Act of May 5, 1911, provides that warrants shall be drawn by the Governor upon the State Treasurer for the purpose of repelling invasion, etc., in this Commonwealth.

The Act of June 13, 1911, provides substantially the same form of appropriation upon the order of the Governor, who shall draw on his warrant upon the State Treasurer the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for the purposes incident to the suppression of insurrection, riot, etc., in Pennsylvania.

The Act of June 25, 1913, likewise provides by placing at the disposal of the Governor of the Commonwealth the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500.000) a method of suppressing insurrection, repelling invasion, etc., in this Commonwealth and authorize the Governor to draw warrant directly upon the State Treasurer in the expenditure of this fund.

These precedents, continuing through the years, clearly demonstrate the fact that the Legislature has always adhered to the implied purpose of the Constitution by placing these emergency funds from time to time at the disposal of the Governor. In the Constitution, the Governor is not only given supreme executive authority but he is likewise designated and authorized to be the Commander-in-Chief of the army and the navy of the Commonwealth.

In addition to the precedents and methods above indicated, I beg to advise you that in West Virginia, where the Governor is Commander-in-Chief under the military code of that State, appropriations are made to the military authorities upon the warrant of the Governor and subject to his approval.

In the State of Iowa, an appropriation of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) has just been made for military defense purposes and payment in such cases is made upon the approval of the Governor.

In the State of Illinois, a million of dollars ($1,000,000) has been appropriated in the present emergency to be expended by the Adjutant General upon the approval of the Governor, which is the customary method in that State of making similar appropriations.

In the State of Rhode Island, an appropriation of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) has been made for the common defense in the present war, to be expended by the Governor upon proper vouchers approved by him alone.

In the State of New Hampshire, an appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) is pending in the Assembly, which sum is to be expended by the Governor, upon his warrant.

In the State of Indiana, one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) has been appropriated for the use of the Adjutant General, subject to the approval of the Governor.

In the State of Michigan, a Bill is pending authorizing the Governor and State Treasurer to borrow and bond the State for the purpose of being prepared for all calls of a military nature made by the National Government, the money to be expended upon the certification of the Governor that the amount stated is needed for the purposes specified.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has set aside one million of dollars ($1,000,000) to be expended under the direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief, in defraying the miltiary and other expenses in the present emergency.

The State of Maine has appropriated a million dollars ($1,000,000) for war purposes, the same to be expended under the executive direction of the Governor. In this State, as in Massachusetts, there is a council provided, whose approval the Governor receives in all matters of executive action.

In the State of Connecticut, a military and industrial census has been taken, the expense of which was provided to be paid by the Controller upon orders by the Governor.

In the State of New York, a series of legislative enactments, making appropriations, have been approved by the Governor, all of which provided that a fund of one million dollars ($1,000,000) is set aside to be expended when the Governor shall certify the necessity for its use and shall draw warrant upon the Treasurer, upon the approval of the Adjutant General and the audit of the Comptroller.

In the State of New Jersey, one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) has been set aside to be disbursed by the Quarter Master General upon the approval of the Governor.

In the State of Vermont, one million of dollars ($1,000,000) has been set aside to be expended by the Governor as Captain General and Commander-in-Chief, as provided in their Constitution.

These acts of the several states and the precedents established in our own Commonwealth anply justify the action of the Executive Committee of Public Safety for this Commonwealth in asking for the approval of the emergency fund of two million dollars ($2,000,000) to be appropriated in the manner now pending before your honorable bodies.

I beg to advise you further that it is the judgment of your Executive, acting as Commander-in-Chief, in harmony with what information he has been able to receive from the National government that it will be incumbent upon us in view of the inadequacy of current revenue to authorize the creation of a bonded indebtedness as provided by the Constitution of the Commonwealth, for the purpose of repelling invasions, suppressing insurrections and defending the State in war. The amount of this bonded indebtedness I am unable at this present moment to indicate, but when that bill is presented to your Honorable bodies for consideration, as now drawn, it will provide that the monies collected from the sale of bonds or certificates of loan, which your bodies may hereafter authorize, shall be disbursed by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the State Treasurer in such manner as they may jointly determine, the money to be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrant signed by the Governor.

Under these circumstances in order that there shall be no further delay in placing Pennsylvania solidly and patriotically in line with the National Government in defense of our national honor and in protection of our people and industries, I hereby express my willingness, if in your judgment you so consider it wise, to have a similar board, made up of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the State Treasurer, all of whom are State-wide elective officers, to act as a disbursing body as provided in the proposed loan bill. The other serviving State wide elective officers,

namely, the Auditor General, is not included in this list for the very important and necessary reason that it is incompatible with good public administration to have any official expend money and subsequently audit his own expenditures. The law places upon the Auditor General the important and necessary obligation of auditing all expenditures made under these or other acts of Assembly in which money is appropriated for any purpose whatever, and for that reason it is not deemed wise that he should be included in the Board which will expend the money but that he shall be left free to be the auditor of the expenditures of the other officials herein indicated.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I move that the message, in the shape of a lecture to the General Assembly, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President, I seriously object to the rapid disposal of this measure in the form proposed. It seems to me that the time is ripe for such word from the executive. The country in which we live has declared war upon the greatest military power on earth. We have taken steps that are not mere child's play. That country holds the forces of this country in contempt. It has utter disregard of our military ability. It is incumbent upon us that we prepare for the events that the future may bring. It is true that Pennsylvania has not declared war, but the Nation in which Pennsylvania is a good part has made that declaration. Pennsylvania, in all the wars of the country, has borne its brunt. What she is able to do and has done may be illustrated by the number of deaths in the Civil War. Of the forty-five regiments of the army of the North that lost most men, six came from New York, six from Massachusetts and eleven came from Pennsylvania. In every war of the United States of America Pennsylvania has led and pointed the way. The country at large from the Atlantic to the Pacific is looking to see what Pennsylvania will do. In 1861, our men were at the front among the first, sharing that glory with the men from Massachusetts. In 1898, in the Spanish-American war, this State was the first to fill its quota of troops asked for by the President, and to-day its fellow citizens are looking to the action in Pennsylvania. Other states are acting promptly, as we have heard. This is a question that will not admit of delay. It is a question that vitally affects the interests of the Commonwealth. Any postponement by the General Assembly upon this action to appropriate money to the use of the executive is contrary to the best interests of the Commonwealth. Any delay will defeat the wishes of our fellow-citizens. Why should there be any paralysis of the movement in defense of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Certainly the voters, the people at large, do not want any delay or any postponement of this vital question. We are here to represent them. Why this postponement? Why this delay? Why should there be a paralysis of action here at the State's intellectual center, here in her official mentality. Why should the Legislature hesitate when the people at large want action? I think we will be unjust to the Commonwealth. We will be unjust to our duty as legislative representatives unless we act promptly, unless we put the Commonwealth in line for defense. I am no new convert of this idea of the Commonwealth being prepared for martial action. Two years ago, nearly, on the tenth day of May, 1915, three days after the sinking of the Lusitania, and at the time that vessel went down, she carried men, women and children from my district, I presented in this distinguished body resolutions calling upon the President of the United States to put the army and navy and coast defense in the highest state of efficiency, and I believed we should continue in that line of action; that that was the proper thing. Since then events have so shaped themselves that the duty is more incumbent upon us than ever to prepare for that war which is thrust upon us. Let us beware of the curse that lies upon the ungirthed loin and the unlighted lamp. Let us put ourselves in an attitude for immediate and proper action. Let Pennsylvania show the way. And for these reasons I object to this proposed peremptory method of disposing of this matter.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would thoroughly agree with my colleague from Philadelphia if this Senate were a full Senate or if the members were in their seats. I would be side by side with the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Jenkins, for immediate action, but inasmuch as many of the Senators have gone home and it will only be a few days till next Monday night or Tuesday when by written request we will ask the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee to call a meeting of that Committee to consider this matter in accordance with the message of the Governor. I do not agree with the Senator from Chester, Mr. Eyre. It was my purpose to make a motion the same as he did to refer this message to the Committee on Appropriations, so that the message as well as the bill itself could be considered at one and the same time. I do not agree, however, that this message is a lecture to this Senate. It is just an explanation of precedents, what has gone on in the past and what is going on at present. There is not a syllable in that message that is a lecture to the Senate and I do not think it fair for him to use that kind of language when it is not correct and is not true. I would like the Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Jenkins, if he will, to withdraw his objection and let the matter go over until next Monday night or Tuesday morning, when we will thrash this matter out, not only in the Committee on Appropriations, but on the floor of the Senate, and see whether the people of Pennsylvania as represented by the fortynine Senators—unfortunately one of them has passed away—just to see whether we want prompt action and sane and reasonable action, or whether we want to bring some more petty politics into this great war. I do not take my hat off to any man when patriotism is at stake. The Senator from Philadelphia, Mr. Jenkins, has told you that he is no new convert to the cause of patriotism. My brother for the last fifteen months on the floor of Congress has voted with the Democratic President every time a measure came along to back up the Democratic President, and I feel proud he had the courage to go there first, very largely alone from a Republican standpoint, but later on he has had lots of company. I rode horseback at the head of five thousand Republicans last week headed by four of the pictures of the President of the United States, at the head of a Republican parade, and was proud to do so, because I thought I was doing a patriotic duty to the United States and for my country; and for that reason I am going to stand here and work and vote in accordance with the way my brother has acted in Congress and the way we act in Philadelphia, in line with those patriotic demonstrations and I want to repeat, I hope the Senator from Philadelphia will withdraw his objection and let this matter go over until next Tuesday morning, when by request we will ask the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee to call a meeting of that committee.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I cannot allow to go unanswered an implied implication on my patriotism and willingness to place Pennsylvania in the forefront of the States of the Union. I was ready last Monday night a week and I am ready now to vote for the expenditure of two million dollars by Pennsylvania or two hundred million if necessary to defend this country under a proper commission, constituted properly, for the expenditure of the same. I must say that I am somewhat surprised at my distinguished colleague from Philadelphia, Senator Vare, imputing this language, when this matter went over, as I understand it, more than a week ago at his own request. The committee of which you, Mr. President, have the honor to be chairman, was ready to act more than a week ago upon this proposition and I think it very ill-becoming, therefore, coming from that source, to impugn the motives of those who have been honest in their purpose to get the best results that can be obtainable from the State of Pennsylvania in the defense of this nation. I want to say to you, Mr. President and the gentlemen of the Senate, that my motives were entirely in accord with prompt action. It is to the Appropriations Committee that the bill has been referred. The bill is now lying in the Appropriations Committee and I can conceive of no better place for this message to be lodged thin in the hands of that committee, for them to give mature judgment to the contents thereof. And I want o say in conclusion that I am not willing to play second fiddle to the Senator from Germantown, Mr. Jenkins, or to the Senator whose brother has been voting with the Democrats, as he says, down in Washington for the past fifteen months, so far as my loyalty to the State and Nation are concerned, and I am willing to join with my Democratic friends on the other side in anything that is for the best interest of this country.

Never until within the last few weeks have I been in accord with a Democratic President at Washington, but today I am in absolute and entire accord with him and will go as far, if not farther, than either of the distinguished Senators from Philadelphia in defense of my State and Nation.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I want to take this opportunity to explain—although I do not think it is necessary to the gentlemen sitting in their seats here—that I did not in any part of my talk refer to the Senator as not being patriotic. That is crowded in for a purpose. What I did refer to was that there is not a syllable, a word or a line in that message that would justify him or any Senator in saying that the Governor had given any of us a lecture. That is number one. The other thing is I did not complain about it going to the Appropriations Committee because, as a matter of fact, it had been agreed by several of the gentlemen sitting around here that that was the proper place for it to go. In fact, I was going to offer a motion, as I said before, so there is no excuse for the complaint of the Senator from Chester on that. The third thing is, I did not question any condition in reference to the Senator from Chester that he has been talking so much about, excepting one line, and that is where he said the Senate got a lecture, so all the rest of his talk is for a purpose and has no connection whatever with what I said when I was on my feet before.

Mr. BEIDLEMAN. Mr. President, I do not feel that there is one Senator in this body that has any better claim to patriotism than another. This bill was introduced in the Senate last Monday night a week ago. There are only two ways in which money can be expended by the Commonwealth, and that is by a joint resolution or by a bill. The regular procedure is that the bill must be referred to a committee, reported out, and read at length on three separate days, considered and agreed to, and whatever difference of opinion there may be as to what was to be the makeup of the commission that shall spend the money or supervise the expenditure of the money under the bill which has been introduced, the proper place for its consideration, and the only place that I see that the message sent in by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, would be at this time referred, is to the Committee on Appropriations. The bill is under consideration in the Appropriations Committee and as I understand that committee adjourned about a week ago with the understanding that when certain information was obtained that committee would be called for further consideration of the bill which was then before it, and it seems to me, without any statement, on the one side or the other, any claim of patriotism on the one side or the other, that this is a question for the Senate of Pennsylvania which is made up of men who stand for their country and for their flag, and do not have to be reminded of their patriotism. But the only place to which the message can be referred is to the Committee on Appropriations, in order that the members of that committee can consider it when they come to take up the consideration of the bill, as to what form it shall be returned to this body.

Mr. SALUS. Mr. President, I did not intend to say anything at this time but we might as well look this question squarely in the face. I take a different view from some of the other Senators and I do question the patriotic feeling and the loyalty of any man who at this time has the hardihood to say that the Commander-in-Chief of the army of Pennsylvania is trying to lecture any man, and if he is trying to lecture and he has a cause to lecture it is his bounden duty so to do. He is our Chief, he is our Commander in this the hour of the Commonwealth's need and any man who questions his right, be he Senator or be he laborer, has not the right nor the privilege to stand beneath the Stars and Stripes and say "My patriotism cannot be questioned." I say, is he a fit person to use the word "patriotism" in an hour such as this? And we might as well at this time understand where we are and what is going on. A lot of measley, un-American men at this moment are trying to place this great Governor in a position that he may be looked upon by Governors of other States as not being a man big enough, honorable enough and of calibre enough to fight our battles. Measley, lowly, degrading and disgusting political methods cannot be brought into this bill. We must face our eight million people and face them now with the knowledge that we must answer to them for whatever we might do, and our delay is not for the purpose of seeing what best might be done. When you compare the two, one with the other, politics and patriotism, degrading and lowly politics with patriotism, we owe to ourselves and this citizenship a duty, and that duty is to perform that which the President of the United States has requested of every citizen, to do his fullest and his best toward readjusting and reconstructing the conditions that now exist, and I say to you men here, one and all, let us get together. let us forget that there are any political differences in Pennsylvania; let us remember that our Governor is the Commander-in-Chief of the army of this Commonwealth and that he is the right man at this time to take charge of the money requested and that at an early date by this bill that money will be appropriated. I know when the time comes that there isn't a man on this floor who will have the hardihood to do other than he requests in this manly message, and I know it will be done and I hope the members of this Senate will make up their minds at this moment that the only thing for us to do and to do now is to have the Committee on Appropriations report the bill at its earliest possible convenience.

Mr. JENKINS. Mr. President and members of the Senate, in view of what has been brought out by the discussion, I am not averse to having this message referred to the Appropriations Committee. I do still continue to take exception, however, to the language of the gentleman from Chester in styling this highly necessary message as a lecture, otherwise I am entirely satisfied with the proposed disposition of it. The gentleman from Chester has very manfully and very properly said he was averse to playing second fiddle to any member of the Legislature in the matter of patriotism. I did not for one minute assail his patriotism. I am sure the legislative orchestra, like a real orchestra, will play all sorts of instruments and that those will play in unison and produce music to which we will keep step with the music of the Union, but unfortunately our fellow-countrymen must be reminded that we are not about to play upon the instruments referred to by the Senator from Chester. Alas, we are not to play fiddles and pipes as in time of peace. The music we are to approach and approach with preparation is the drum beat, and it is the drum beat of warfare that we are to meet and to meet promptly and without delay, courageously and without fear, but we cannot win battles by resolutions, by speeches and by rhetoric. We have to prepare to fight.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I would just like to take this opportunity to correct Senator Eyre's statement about me asking that this be postponed. Senator Crow asked that the bill be postponed, you will remember, as you are chairman of the committee, and I acquiesced in it to give the Governor an opportunity to ascertain what would be expected of this State by the United States.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. President, I am not going to question the patriotism of any member of this Senate because I believe they are all as patriotic citizens of the state and nation as I am, and therefore I think the remarks on that subject have been uncalled for from both sides, but in the communication received from His Excellency, the Governor, in the past week there have been a large measure of differences adjusted. If the question as referred to by the Governor in his communication, citing the fifteen or twenty odd states of the Union that are doing things in regard to the present crisis—Pennsylvania has been doing just such things for the last, practically, fifteen or twenty years. There is no emergency, so far as the finances are concerned in paying for bills that are necessary at the present time, because there is a balance in the State Treasury of $375,000; there is in the general appropriation bill $500,000 to meet just such emergencies as are arising now, but the matter in regard to the appropriations that are to be called upon by His Excellency, the Governor, and other officers of the state asking that this legislature shall appropriate, has been a matter of difference as to just what channel that appropriation shall go through. It was first asked that two million dollars be appropriated directly to the Governor and there have been conferences and talks upon that matter with the idea upon the part of both sides to adjust the differences to a satisfactory conclusion, and the result of those talks has been that there has been, upon the part of the Governor, a loosening up of his position originally, which now comprises instead of the Governor, the State Treasurer, the Lieutenant Governor and himself, but the members of this Senate and the House have duties to perform here

for which they are responsible to the whole people of the State of Pennsylvania. If it was a matter of two million dollars I do not think there would be a question of doubt upon the part of this Senate that this money would have been appropriated ten days ago, but we are to be called upon in the very near future not only for a loan of seven million dollars, but those of us who are reading the papers to-day throughout the country know that the United States Government is to embark now upon a loaning proposition of upward of seven billion dollars. The method of that accounting, so far as the different states in the Union are concerned, or Pennsylvania, will in the future be called upon to pay her pro rata share of her fifteen per cent., which will involve, in the matter of dollars and cents, so far as this state is concerned, of upwards of three hundred and fifty million dollars. It behooves every member of this Senate to sit down and carefully take away with him the thought as to whether there shall be a regularly constituted channel through which this money shall pass, and in which the members of both the House and Senate have confidence in the integrity and ability, not of one individual, because he does not possess all of the absolute sincerity of purpose and holiness that is in this Commonwealth, but a board, existing as it does in every state of this Union, in which there shall be upon appropriation by this legislative body, a regularly constituted body to see that that money is spent upon the recommendation of the Governor or any other public spirited citizen who has an idea that is worth considering, that this chamber cannot be charged with delaying the handing to the Governor or any other official the proper instrument or financial weapon to carry out successfully whatever part Pennsylvania might play in this great conflict; and I think if we take home with us a modified idea of the financial obligations that we have got to assume here in possibly the next three or four months, that the members of this Senate will come back here next week and act jointly and be satisfied that the Governor has the money and that the legislative body has legislated in the interest of the whole people by having the proper channel through which that money will pass, subject, as I have said before, to any orders that the Governor might think in his own judgment would be the proper channel through which they would pass. Therefore I think that the question of this financial proposition should be given serious consideration, absolutely divorced from any political feeling.

Mr. EYRE. Mr. President, I will not consume further time of the Senate excepting to say, in reply to the distinguished Senator from the First District, that if I am not mistaken he seconded the motion for the postponement of further consideration of the resolution a week ago last Monday night, after conference with Senator Crow. So far as the criticism from the distinguished Senator, the representative of the Fifth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, is concerned, I am not going to reply to that. I will allow the Senate and the people at large to judge of our respective patriotism, but I do want to say that I have not been impelled by any factional political organization in the State of Pennsylvania or elsewhere in the governing of my action or vote in this Senate. I came to this Senate as a representative of the Nineteenth Senatorial District. I represent nobody but the people in that district, to whom I am answerable. I did not come here as a Vare or a Brumbaugh adherent, nor did I come here as a Penrose or a McNichol adherent, I came here to do that which I honestly believed that the majority of the people of the Nineteenth Senatorial District would have me do and to them I am answerable and am willing to answer for any acts of mine in this body.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

It was agreed to.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read bills in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. VARE read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 844, entitled

An Act to amend the thirty-third section of an act, entitled "An Act relating to executions," approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, as amended by the act approved the second day of July, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, so as to allow the officers the option of publishing notice of sheriff's sales of real estate in a German newspaper.

Which was committed to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Also read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 845, entitled

An Act authorizing the borrowing of money by the State for the purpose of repelling invasions, suppressing insurrections and defending the State in war; designating the persons authorized to expend the money so borrowed; prescribing the manner in which such money may be drawn from the State Treasury; and making certain appropriations.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. JONES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to read a bill in place at this time.

The PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

Mr. JONES read in his place and presented to the Chair Senate Bill No. 846, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries of the State Inspectors of High Schools and other schools in the Department of Public Instruction.

Which was committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. VARE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Monday evening, April 16, 1917, at nine o'clock P. M.

Mr. SASSAMAN. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 1.33 o'clock P. M. until Monday evening, April 16, 1917, at nine o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, April 11, 1917.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The SPEAKER (Richard J. Baldwin) in the Chair.

PRAYER.

Rev. M. D. Lichliter offered the following prayer:

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, we thank Thee that we are alive at the opening of this session, and we pray that each of the Representatives of this House may dedicate to Thee, not only to-day but every day, the very best and noblest and truest within himself. Bless, we pray Thee, the Representatives who are at their homes under illness; may their illness be brief, and may they be speedily restored to return to their seats. Bless him who sits by the side of his loved ones, where seemingly the shadows are thickening, and comfort him in his anxious waiting.

We stand appalled as a State in the face of the great calamity that has befallen our sister county and our sister city and community. O God, Father of tenderness and love, Christ who wept at the grave of Lazarus, Holy Spirit, the world's comforter, come into the darkened homes from which so many beautiful young lives have gone, and bring cheer and comfort to the stricken ones. Bless the homes where the loved ones are lingering upon beds of pain; bless the means that are applied for the restoration, and may they be brought to a state of health. Help us, O Lord, to realize the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, as ask in Jesus name, Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. Scott, the further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

PETITIONS.

PRAYING FOR A NEW STATE HIGHWAY IN HUNTINGDON COUNTY.

Mr. DELL presents the petition of citizens of Todd Township, Huntingdon County, praying for a new State Highway in Todd Township.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. DELL presents the petition of citizens of Lincoln Township, Huntingdon County, praying for the establishment of a new Highway in Huntingdon County.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

RESOLUTION RECALLING HOUSE BILL NO. 877 FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. RICH asked and received unanimous consent to offer the following resolution, which was twice read, considered and agreed to.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That House Bill No. 877, entitled "An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges, learned in the law, for the said districts" be recalled from the Governor for the purpose of amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. SWEITZER. House Bill No. 1409.

An Act requiring the expenditures of moneys for State and State-aid highways in the several counties in proportion to the mileage of roads.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. SWEITZER. House Bill No. 1410.

An Act to amend section one thousand four hundred and six of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. RICH. House Bill No. 1411.

An Act authorizing Robert J. McAllister, of Dunnstable Township, Clinton County, Pennsylvania, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. STADTLANDER. House Bill No. 1412.

An Act relative to verdicts, judgments or decrees in equity, and prescribing the duties of the prothonotaries in connection therewith.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1413.

An Act to encourage the raising of farm products; requiring the Department of Agriculture to furnish certain seed to farmers at cost; providing for the distribution of such seed; and making an appropriation to carry out the purposes of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. STOFFLET. House Bill No. 1414.

An Act regulating the employment of physicians and surgeons in state aided hospitals and the use of such hospitals by physicians and surgeons; and refusing State aid to hospitals violating or failing to comply with the provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. FITZGIBBON. House Bill No. 1415.

An Act to amend section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes; defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees; providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense ofthe Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpike or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for state aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough, or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State highways and State aid Highways, and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the Act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to highway department and improvement of roads, and of all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not effected by provisions of this act.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. ERDMAN. House Bill No. 1416.

An Act making an appropriation to the Sacred Heart Hospital, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER. House Bill No. 1417.

An Act to provide for an additional Law Judge of the several Courts of the Thirty-first Judicial District.

Referred to the Committee on Judicial Apportionment.

By Mr. STERN. House Bill No. 1418.

An Act to provide that capital stock taxes shall, upon the foreclosure of a mortgage on real estate, not made by the corporation against which such taxes were assessed, be postponed in payment to mortgages, not made by such corporation, discharged by a sale, judicial or otherwise, and the necessary and proper costs of foreclosure.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

By Mr. WEST. House Bill No. 1419.

An Act providing that actions for damages for failure to maintain support, vertical or lateral, for lands or buildings may be brought within six years from the time when the damage or injury caused by such failure becomes openly visible on the surface of the property so damaged or injured, and repealing legislation inconsistent with the same.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. WALKER (By request). House Bill No. 1420.

An Act providing for the classification of real estate in cities ofthe first class, so as to separate the land from the improvements thereon and to provide for the assess-

ment of a less tax upon the buildings and other improvements than upon the land exclusive of the buildings and other improvements by a yearly reduction of the rate of taxation on improvements and increase of the rate on the land values.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1421.

An Act providing that all the powers and duties now vested by law in the select and common councils of cities of the first class shall be completely vested in a single body called the city council; and fixing the qualifications time of election salary and term of office of the members thereof; providing for the apportionment of cities of the first class into eight councilmanic districts; providing that the mayor should cast a deciding vote in case of a tie vote in the city council; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for members of the city council in cities of the first class abolishing certain existing methods of nominations in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices, imposing certain duties upon the county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof and the punishment of certain offenses.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. SINCLAIR (By request). House Bill No. 1422.

An Act to amend an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act relating to food; defining food; providing for the protection of the public health and the prevention of fraud and deception by prohibiting the manufacture or sale, the offering for sale or exposing for sale, or the having in possession with intent to sell, of adulterated, misbranded or deleterious foods; prescribing certain duties of the Dairy and Food Commissioner in reference thereto; and providing penalties for the violation thereof."

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. GOLDER. House Bill No. 1423.

An Act fixing the salary of the deputy coroner of counties having a population of one million five hundred thousand or over.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. WOODWARD. House Bill No. 1424.

An Act for the imposition and collection of certain inheritance taxes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SPANGLER. House Bill No. 1425.

An Act to amend the act approved the sixteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act providing for the incorportaion and government of cities of the third class,' approved the twenty-third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred eighty-nine, creating a City Planning Department; defining its jurisdiction; and extending the same so as to regulate the laying out and recording of plans of lots within the limits of the city, and for three miles beyond the city limits; and to regulate the making and use of certain public improvements until said plans are approved by said department, and authorizing the exercise of the powers herein provided by a park or other municipal commission," by extending the powers of the City Planning Commission; imposing duties on certain borough and township officers; extending the jurisdiction of the commission to six miles outside the city limits in certain cases; restricting certain conveyances of land; and imposing penalties for violation of certain provisions of the act.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

By Mr. HESS. House Bill No. 1426.

An Act to further amend an act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of county and city inspectors of weights and measures providing for their compensation and expenses; prescribing their duties; prohibiting vendors from giving false or insufficient weights; and fixing the penalties for the violations of the provisions hereof.

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. JACK. House Bill No. 1427.

An Act making an appropriation tothe Kittanning General Hospital, Kittanning, Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CONNER. House Bill No. 1428.

An Act to fix the compensation and salary of police officers and officers of the police force in cities of the first class.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

By Mr. WYNNE. House Bill No. 1281.

An Act to amend an act approved the tenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one, entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to carry into effect section five of article fourteen of the Constitution, relative to the salaries of county officers and the payment of fees received by them into the State or county treasury, in counties over one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, approved thirty-first March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, as amended by act of eleventh May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and as further amended by act of second June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, providing for the salaries of county officers in counties containing over two hundred and fifty thousand and less than five hundred thousand inhabitants."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

By Mr. BEYER. House Bill No. 1308.

An Act to amend sections two hundred and two, two hundred and seven, two hundred and fourteen, two hundred and fifteen, two hundred and sixteen, and three hundred and one, of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting the same; and repealing all laws, general, special or local or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," so far as to provide for the number, election and organization of boards of school directors in school districts of the first class, and to provide for the expiration of the terms of office of existing boards of school directors in said school districts.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. GANS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported as committed House Bill No. 1025, entitled

An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Banking to appoint five additional examiners, and providing for their compensation and expenses.

Mr. HOFFMAN, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1340, entitled

An Act to amend part of section six of an act, approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State-aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentages of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties,

townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid Highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act."

Mr. HIBSHMAN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as committed House Bill No. 1165, entitled

An Act exempting agricultural corporations from the payment of a bonus and of State taxes upon their capital stock.

Mr. PICKERING, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1346, entitled

An Act to further amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State Line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving the said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for the purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways, and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for the payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalties for destroying State highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by the provisions of this act," as amended.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 884, entitled

An Act providing that it shall be a misdemeanor for any person to contribute to the delinquency of any minor within the jurisdiction of any Juvenile Court or to assist or encourage said minor in violating his or her parole or to interfere with the probation officer assigned to such child and providing penalties therefor.

Mr. FITZGIBBON, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1029, entitled

A Joint Resolution for the appointment of a Commission by the Governor of this Commonwealth for the purpose of amending, revising, and collating the laws touching upon and relating to dependent, defective, delinquent, neglected, incorrigible, and illegitimate children of this State, and for the further purpose of suggesting new legislation for the care and welfare of such children, and making an appropriation to meet the expenses ofthe said Commission.

Mr. SPANGLER, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 410, entitled

An Act to locate and establish a certain section of State Highway in the county of Lebanon, and providing for the construction, improvement and maintenance thereof.

Mr. WALLACE, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1037, entitled

An Act to facilitate the collection of taxes assessed upon occupations; authorizing and requiring employers to furnish certain information to tax collectors and to deduct from the wages of employes, in certain cases sums sufficient to pay delinquent taxes assessed on occupations owing by such employes; and providing penalties.

Mr. McNICHOL, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1193, entitled

An Act to amend section ten of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act regulating the manner and time of payment of employes of cities of the first class," including employes of school districts.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported as committed House Bill No. 1026, entitled

An Act to amend the second section of an act approved the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act making it a misdemeanor for any president, vice-president, cashier, treasurer, secretary, teller, bookkeeper, clerk, employe, or agent of any mutual savings bank, savings bank, bank of discount and deposit, trust company, title insurance company, surety company, or safe deposit company, incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth; or of any private bank or unincorporated association, receiving deposits of money; or of any building and loan association, incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth, or authorized to do business therein; his or their aiders and abettors, to embezzle, abstract or wilfully misapply any of the moneys, funds, or credits of such institution; or to issue certificates of deposit, draw any order or bill of exchange, make any acceptance, assign any note, bond, draft, bill of exchange, mortgage, judgment, or other instrument in writing, without authority from the directors of such institution, with intent to deceive or defraud; or to make a false entry in the books, reports or statements thereof, with like intent; prescribing penalties, and authorizing the Banking Commissioner to institute prosecutions."

Mr. DAVID F. DAVIS, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1284, entitled

An Act to make valid acknowledgments and other notarial acts heretofore or hereafter performed by notaries public in any state or territory of the United States, or any foreign country, and authorizing the recording thereof and the acceptation thereof in evidence.

Mr. MARVIN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported as amended House Bill No. 1251, entitled

An Act for the encouragement of agriculture and the holding of agricultural exhibitions; providing State aid for certain agricultural associations, and regulating the payment thereof.

Mr. DELL, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 961, entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An Act requiring written notice to be served upon supervisors of the proposed opening and construction of new roads for public use, and of views, reviews and re-reviews in connection with such proposed new roads," as amended by an act approved the twenty-ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act requiring written notice to be served upon supervisors, of the proposed opening and construction of new roads for public use, and of views, reviews and re-reviews in connection with such proposed new roads,' approved the second day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, so as to require notice to be served on the supervisors of the territory through which the proposed public road is to pass, of the time and place of the appointment of viewers, reviewers, and re-reviewers to lay out the same, and of the time and place of their meetings," requiring petitioners for roads to give bond for the payment of costs.

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1344, entitled

An Act regulating the conduct and prescribing the duties of drivers or operators of automobiles, motor cycles or other vehicles on public highways, who shall injure any person or persons while so driving on said highways, and providing penalties for violations of this act.

Mr. STRAUSS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 393, entitled

An Act to provide for the establishment and government of six correctional institutions to be known as the Pennsylvania State Farm of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth,

and sixth districts, respectively; providing for the care and confinement of prisoners therein, and the transfer of prisoners thereto, and making an appropriation.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 1254, entitled

An Act relating to the photographing by police officials of persons charged with any crime, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Mr. VICKERMAN, from the Committee on Judiciary Local, reported as committed House Bill No. 1290, entitled

An Act relating to the arrest, character of evidence, and punishment of professional thieves, burglars and pickpockets.

Mr. HALDEMAN, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1347, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the twenty-second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act establishing certain public roads as State highways, and providing for their construction and maintenance at the expense of the Commonwealth."

Mr. DITHRICH, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1269, entitled

An Act relating to the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the several orphans' courts in proceedings for the partition and valuation of real estate, and for the sale of real estate for the purposes of distribution, and the fees, costs and expenses therein.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1270, entitled

An Act relating to the organization, jurisdiction and procedure of the orphans' courts, the powers and duties of the judges thereof, and appeals therefrom.

Mr. DRAKE, from the committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1271, entitled

An Act relating to the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the orphans' court and the court of common pleas as to sales, mortgages, conveyances on ground rent, leases, extinguishment of ground rents, partitions, exchange, squaring and adjusting of lines between adjoining owners, consolidation and combination of mining lands and the leasing thereof, the joining by owners of undivided interests in making and taking conveyances in order to change the route or location of any right of way or passage over adjoining or other lands, and the subdivision of premises so as to command the highest price or greatest rents, and, for such purpose, the laying out or dedication of roads, streets, and alleys or the vacation of such as have not been accepted by the public authorities, where the court shall be of the opinion that such decree will be to the interest and advantage of all those interested, and where the legal title is held by minors, lunatics, habitual drunkards or weak-minded persons, a married person whose spouse is a lunatic or has abandoned him or her for one year or has been absent and unheard of for seven years, by corporations having no capacity to convey or by any unincorporated association, by any religious, beneficial or charitable society or association incorporated or unincorporated, and the title is subject to forfeiture if real estate is held in excess of the amount prescribed by its charter or by law, by a corporation or individual or individuals and is subject to a trust of any description whatever, by any person as to whom a presumption of death may have arisen, or any interest wherein is held by any person under legal disability to dispose thereof; where the legal title is an estate tail or is subject to the lien of debts of a decedent not of record, contingent remainders, executory device, or remainders to a class, some or all of whom may not be in being or ascertained; where estates shall have been devised or granted for special or limited purposes, where there is a power of sale but the time may not have arrived for its exercise, any preliminary act may not have been done to bring it into exercise, the time limited for its exercise may have expired, or any one or more persons required to consent or join in its exercise may be non compos mentis, have removed out of the state, have died, refuse to act, unreasonably withhold consent or be absent and unheard of; where there has been or shall be a defective appointment in any deed or will and the necessary power is not given to the executor, devisee or appointee to make sale and conveyance; where a trust has been created and no power conferred on the trustee to do any of the acts which the court is hereby empowered to authorize or confirm; and to the effects of such decrees.

Mr. McVICAR, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1272, entitled,

An Act relating to the form, execution, revocation and interpretation of wills, to nuncupative wills, to the appointment of testamentary guardians, to spendthrift trusts, to forfeiture of devise or legacy in case of murder of testator, to elections to take under or against wills, and to the recording and registering of such elections and of decrees relative thereto and to the fees therefor.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1273, entitled

An Act relating to the qualification, jurisdiction, powers and duties of registers of wills, and regulating proceedings before said registers, and the costs thereof, the effects of their acts, and appeals therefrom.

Mr. STRAUSS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1274, entitled

An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the real and personal property of persons dying intestate, and to provide for the recording and registering of the decrees of the orphans' court in connection therewith and the fees therefor.

Mr. GEORGE J. A. MILLER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1275, entitled

An Act relating to the administration and distribution of the estates of decedents and of minors, and of trust estates; including the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties, liabilities, accounts, discharge and removal of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees, herein designated as fiduciaries; the administration and distribution of the estates of presumed decedents; widow's and children's exemptions; debts of decedents, rents of real estate as assets for payment thereof, the lien thereof, sales and mortgages of real estate for the payment thereof, judgments and executions therefor, and the discharge of real estate from the lien thereof; contracts of decedents for the sale or purchase of real estate; legacies, including legacies charged on land; the discharge of residuary estates and of real estate from the lien of legacies and other charges; the appraisement of real estate devised at a valuation; the ascertainment of the curtilage of dwelling houses or other buildings devised; the abatement and survival of actions and the substitution of executors and administrators therein, and suits against fiduciaries; investments by fiduciaries; the organization of corporations to carry on the business of decedents; the audit and review of accounts of fiduciaries; refunding bonds; transcripts to the court of common pleas of balances due by fiduciaries; the rights, powers and liabilities of non-resident and foreign fiduciaries; the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties and liabilities of trustees durante absentia; the recording and registration of decrees, reports and other proceedings, and the fees therefor; appeals in certain cases; and also generally dealing with the jurisdiction, powers and procedure of the orphans' court in all matters relating to fiduciaries concerned with the estates of decedents.

Mr. SONES, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1259 (Senate Bill No. 632), entitled

An Act to further amend section nine of an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner, two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns, and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same, and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways; providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs and incorporated towns, with Commonwealth governing same, providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways, making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts

relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provision of this act" as amended.

Mr. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1339 (Senate Bill No. 681), entitled

An Act to increase the pay of election officers from five dollars ($5.00) per day to ten dollars ($10.00) per day.

Mr. HEYBURN, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1235 (Senate Bill No. 562), entitled

An Act authorizing boroughs to assess the cost of the improvement or reconstruction of certain State highways in certain cases upon the property abutting the line of improvement and providing for the collection of such assessments.

Mr. MEHRING, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 1369 (Senate Bill No. 243), entitled

An Act to repeal an act approved the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing method of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offences," in so far as it relates to nominations and elections for elective offices in cities of the second class.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Elections, reported as Committed House Bill No. 1255 (Senate Bill No. 255), entitled

An Act to fix the time for filing nomination papers for State and municipal officers and for determination by the courts of contested papers.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 1256 (Senate Bill No. 256), entitled

An Act to amend paragraph "a" of section four and paragraph one of section five of an act entitled "An Act to regulate nominations and elections for all elective offices of cities of the second class and all offices of judge of a court of record; providing for non-partisan nominations and elections for said offices; abolishing certain existing methods of nomination in such cases and the use of party or political names or appellations at elections with respect to said offices; imposing certain duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, county commissioners, and election officers and clerks; and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions hereof, and the punishment of certain offenses," approved the twenty-fourth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for circulating and filing nomination petitions.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed House Bill No. 1257 (Senate Bill No. 257), entitled

An Act to amend the first, sixth and seventh sections of an act, entitled "An Act regulating certain political parties; providing for and regulating the nomination of candidates of such political parties for certain public offices, the election of delegates and alternate delegates to National party conventions and of certain party officers, including State committeemen; a method whereby electors of such political parties may express their choice of candidates for the office of President of the United States, and the payment by the several counties and their reimbursement by the State of the expenses of the same; authorizing the State committee of a political party to make and to alter, amend and revoke rules and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act and for the punishment of certain offenses provided herein and repealing inconsistent legislation," approved the twelfth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, so as to change the time for filing petitions of nomination and the time for the organization of the State committees.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1295 (Senate Bill No. 595), entitled

An Act regulating the practice and procedure of the sheriff or deputy sheriff under writs of inquisition, condemnation, inquiry of damages, lunacy or habitual drunkard proceedings, partition proceedings, or by virtue of any other writ or process issued by the courts of this Commonwealth wherein the existing laws require the sheriff to be present in person.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1239 (Senate Bill No. 583), entitled

An Act to further amend section sixteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards," as amended.

Mr. WEST, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 338 (Senate Bill No. 61), entitled

An Act to enable foreign religious and charitable corporations to hold real estate.

Mr. MERVINE, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1331 (Senate Bill No. 567), entitled

An Act to amend section nineteen of an act approved the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to roads, highways and bridges.

Mr. SIGGINS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1337 (Senate Bill No. 675), entitled

An Act validating marriages contracted on or before the 1st day of January, 1896, within or without the State of Pennsylvania, between parties resident within the State of Pennsylvania at the time of the approval of this act, where continuous cohabitation of the parties contracting the marriage for a period of twenty-one years has followed such marriage, notwithstanding any impediment or obstacle which may have existed under the law of Pennsylvania at the time such marriage was performed, and making legitimate all children born of parents whose marriages are validated under this act.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1373 (Senate Bill No. 698), entitled

An Act to prevent the incorporation of societies and associations not for profit with names, styles or titles identical with or similar to the names, styles or titles of State boards, commissions or other activities and the use by such societies and associations already incorporated of such names, styles or titles, where such identity or similarity is calculated to result or has resulted in a confusion in the public mind between the recommendations and operations of such societies and associations, and those of said State boards, commissions or other activities.

Mr. STRAUSS, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 1372 (Senate Bill No. 480), entitled

An Act to amend section five of an act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend, revise and consolidate the law providing for the burial of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines at the expense of the counties in which they shall die or have a legal residence at the time of their death to provide a system for effecting the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines; to provide headstones and markers for the graves of such soldiers, sailors and marines and to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties to purchase plots of ground for the burial of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

Mr. SWARTZ, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as amended House Bill No. 1338 (Senate Bill No. 680), entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the fifteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the District Attorney in counties having a population of over one million and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants of a chief county detective and assistant county detective and special county detective defining their duties fixing their salaries and authorizing payment of the same together with the necessary traveling expenses by the county and providing for additional salary and expenses"

Mr. ISHERWOOD, from the Committee on Public Roads, reported as committed House Bill No. 1333 (Senate Bill No. 579), entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight), entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department, by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner,

two Deputy State Highway Commissioners, chief engineer, chief draughtsman, superintendents of highways, and a staff of assistants and employes, defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department, and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees, providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats, principal cities, and towns and extending to the State line; describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth; providing for the improvement, maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth, and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve and maintain the same; and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same; requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part; requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof; conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner; providing for the payment of damages in taking of property, or otherwise, in the improvement thereof; providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway, and procedure therein; providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract, except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State; providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads; defining highways and State-aid highways, providing method of application for State aid in the improvement, maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township, county, borough, or incorporated town petitions; providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State, county, township, borough or incorporated town, and requiring contracts by counties, townships, boroughs, and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same; providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways; and kind of materials to be used in the improvement; providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs; providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways; making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act; and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads, and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith; and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act," and further providing that the State Highway Commissioner, and the several counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns shall have authority to make and enter into contracts to reconstruct or improve a State Highway or portion thereof, in the same manner as a State-aid highway; and authorizing counties, townships, boroughs or incorporated towns to incur indebtedness and pay their respective shares of the cost thereof, and making valid all such contracts heretofore made; such highway to remain a State Highway.

Mr. BRADY, from the Committee on Printing, reported as committed House Bill No. 1097 (Senate Bill No. 326), entitled

An Act to amend sections three and four of an act approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act creating a Division of Distribution of Documents; defining its powers and duties; regulating the printing, binding and distribution of the public documents of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Mr. PERRY, from the Committee on Insurance. reported as committed House Bill No. 1285, entitled

An Act to amend article six of the second section of an act approved the eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to regulate the issue of policies of insurance and certificates of inspection, made by steam boiler insurance companies, in all cities of the first class."

Mr. DITHRICH, from the Committee on Judiciary Special, reported as committed House Bill No. 768, entitled

An Act to refund to Friedman Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, money paid for a license to sell oleomargarine.

Mr. STERN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed House Bill No. 904, entitled

An Act to provide for the re-incorporation as a stock company of certain corporations organized under the laws of Pennsylvania for the maintenance of a society for beneficial or protective purposes to its members from funds collected therein.

Mr. MILLIRON, from the Committee on Game, re-reported as amended House Bill No. 187, entitled

An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of game, game-quadrupeds and game-birds and song and insectivorous and other wild birds and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that the Chief Clerk having reported that the following bills had passed both houses of the General Assembly and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

Senate Bill No. 212

An Act making a fixed charge for county purposes on lands purchased by the State for State forests and providing for the distribution of the same to the counties wherein State forests are located.

Senate Bill No. 219

An Act to authorize counties cities boroughs towns townships school districts and poor districts to require a bond to protect labor and material men and providing for suits thereon by laborers and material men furnishing labor and material in and about the erection alteration addition and repair of public buildings.

Senate Bill No. 487

An Act making an appropriation to reimburse the Township of New Garden in the County of Chester for the cost of repairing a certain section of State-aid highway and regulating the payments herein provided for.

Senate Bill No. 148

An Act constituting a board of commissioners on uniform State laws authorizing the appointment of the commissioners defining their duties and providing for their expenses.

Senate Bill No. 156

An Act valdiating to the extent only that work has been actually done contracts entered into by any county under the Act of Assembly declared unconstitutional approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act providing for the construction operation and maintenance of public highways bridges and tunnels in the several counties of this Commonwealth authorizing the taking of property for such improvement and providing for the compensation therefor and the damages resulting from such taking providing for the payment of the costs and expenses incurred in such construction operation and maintenance and authorizing the levy of a tax and the issuance of bonds to provide a fund for said purpose" and providing for the payment by the county of such work as was done prior to the date on which said acts was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Senate Bill No. 196

An Act to repeal an act approved the thirteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred eleven Pamphlet Laws nine hundred and three entitled "An Act in relation to the appointment and salaries of the deputy sheriffs on duty in the court-rooms of the courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace in counties containing a population of not less than seven hundred and fifty thousand nor more than one million two hundred thousand."

Senate Bill No. 205

An Act authorizing Louis Gumbiner a resident of Philadelphia County State of Pennsylvania to sue the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County for the amount of such part if any of a certain wholesale liquor license fee as required by and paid by him to the treasurer of the City and County of Philadelphia in excess of the amount of such fee as was justly and legally due and payable.

Senate Bill No. 355

An Act to amend section fifteen and part of section twenty-one of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred and fifteen entitled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen by creating the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry providing for the establishment of a Workmen's Compensation Board to have charge of such Bureau authorizing the division of the Commonwealth into Workmen's Compensation districts and the appointment of Workmen's Compensation Referees defining the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation the Workmen's Compensation Board the Workmen's Compensation Referees and the factory inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry in enforcing the said act and fixing the salaries of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board the Workmen's Compensation Referees and certain of their employes and assistants"

Whereupon,

The Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives, as follows, viz:

In the House of Representatives, April 11, 1917.
Resolved (if the Senate concur), That House Bill No. 877, entitled "An Act to designate the several judicial districts of the Commonwealth as required by the Constitution and to provide for the election and commissioning of judges, learned in the law, for the said districts" be recalled from the Governor for the purpose of amendment.

SENATE MESSAGE.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

Senate Bill No. 53 (House Bill No. 1429)

An Act authorizing trustees guardians and other fiduciaries to sell assign alter modify or supplement coal mining leases with the approval of the Court having jurisdiction of their accounts.

Referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Senate Bill No. 375 (House Bill No. 1430)

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and thirty of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be, inconsistent therewith."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 376 (House Bill No. 1431)

An Act to amend section eleven hundred and twenty-one of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and nine), entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith," as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 615 (House Bill No. 1432)

An Act to amend sections four and five of an act approved the second day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight entitled "An Act to ascertain and appoint the fees to be received by the several officers of this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships.

Senate Bill No. 742 (House Bill No. 1433)

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 655 (House Bill No. 1434)

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article three section six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so that the subject of an amendment or supplement to a law and the subject to which such law is extended or on which it is conferred shall be clearly expressed in its title.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Reform.

Senate Bill No. 55 (House Bill No. 1435)

An Act to quiet the title to real estate and to enable citizens of the United States and corporations authorized to hold real estate within this Commonwealth to hold and convey title to real estate which has been formerly held by or for corporations not authorized by law to hold the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary General.

Senate Bill No. 41 (House Bill No. 1436)

An Act to validate appraisements and titles made and effected to surviving husbands and wives by virtue of an act entitled "An Act relating to the descent and distribution of the estates of intestates," approved the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and the amendments thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Local.

Senate Bill No. 700 (House Bill No. 1437)

An Act to provide for the classification of inspectors of the Department of Labor and Industry according to qualifications determined by a Committee of the Department of Labor and Industry and fixing the salaries of inspectors within the several classifications.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry.

Senate Bill No. 696 (House Bill No. 1438)

An Act to amend the second section of an act, approved April 4th, 1907, entitled "An Act creating, in counties having a population from three hundred thousand to one million, a board to fix and determine the number and compensation of employes in all county offices, boards, bureaus, departments and divisions thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of said board, and regulating appeals from the decision thereof," by providing that, where said board as constituted by said act is composed of the county controller and county commissioners only, the president of the board, in case of a tie vote, shall be entitled to a deciding vote.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Special.

Senate Bill No. 667 (House Bill No. 1439)

An Act requiring all counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities and incorporated districts to sell any bonds or other securities issued by them to the highest bidder after due public notice.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate Bill No. 662 (House Bill No. 1440)

An Act regulating the packing of apples; providing penalties for violations; and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Agriculture.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 335 (House Bill No. 1441)

An Act to amend section two thousand thirty-four of article twenty of an act, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special, or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, by authorizing and empowering the State Board of Education to make purchases and sales of real estate for normal schools purchased by the State.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 334 (House Bill No. 1442)

An Act concerning vocational education; and providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, of the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February twenty-third, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditures;" and conferring certain powers upon the State Board of Education.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 749 (House Bill No. 1443)

An Act amending section three of an act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend section three of an act, entitled 'An Act to protect the public health and welfare, by regulating the employment of females in certain establishments, with respect to their hours of labor and the conditions of

their employment; by establishing certain sanitary regulations in the establishments in which they work; by requiring certain abstracts and notices to be posted; by providing for the enforcement of this act by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and others; by prescribing penalties for violations thereof; by defining the procedure in prosecutions; and by repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions thereof' approved the twenty-fifth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and thirteen; by providing that the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry may subdivide the one day of rest in seven into two half days" by providing that the restrictions as to hours shall not apply to females engaged at State and charitable institutions, hotels and boarding houses.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BENCHOFF asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Walter, for the balance of the week.

Mr. MEHRING asked and obtained leave of absence for his colleague, Mr. Sterling, on account of death in his family.

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SYMPATHY TO THE PEOPLE OF CHESTER.

Mr. RAMSEY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the following resolution which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Whereas, The deepest gloom has been cast over the City of Chester and the surrounding territory by the terrible catastrophe which occurred at Eddystone and which has killed and maimed so many of the best citizens of that community; and

Whereas, Not only the City of Chester and the surrounding territory, but the entire State, feels deeply the loss in human life that it has sustained by reason of this catastrophe; therefore be it

Resolved, (if the Senate concur), That the General Assembly hereby extends its sympathy as well as that of the entire Commonwealth, to the people of Chester and the surrounding territory; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor is authorized to convey to the Mayor of the City of Chester and the Burgess of Eddystone Borough the sympathy of this General Assembly and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, assuring them that not only the sympathy but also the assistance which is in his power and at his command are available to the people of this community.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

HOUSE BILL NO. 117 MADE A SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. WHITAKER offered the following motion which was twice read, considered and agreed to:

Moved by Mr. Whitaker seconded by Mr. Stern that House Bill No. 117, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section one article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

be made a special order on third reading and final passage for Tuesday, April 17th, 1917, at 10.30 A. M.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 919, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city borough incorporated town township or county requiring any taxes registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle.

The first, second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That except as is provided for nonresidents no motor vehicle shall be operated or driven upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth until the said motor vehicle shall have been registered with the State Highway Department of this Commonwealth

Section 2 The term "motor vehicle" as used in this act shall apply to all wheeled vehicles operated or propelled by any form of engine motor or mechanical power excepting traction engines road rollers agricultural machinery and vehicles which move upon or are guided by a track The term "motor cycle" as used in this act shall apply to all two or three wheeled motor operated vehicles of the bicycle or tricycle type whether the motive power be a part thereof or attached thereto The terms of this act shall apply to vehicles trailing after or propelled by a motor vehicle

The term "owner" as used in this act shall except where otherwise plainly intended be taken to mean or include the person or persons having such motor vehicle in his or their possession custody or control under a contract of conditional sale or other like agreement vesting in him or them a qualified or defeasible ownership in the same

Section 3 Application for the registration of motor vehicles shall be made to the State Highway Department The application shall contain the full name and residence of the owner or owners with a brief description of the motor vehicle the name the manufacturers number the character of the motive power and the horse power and if equipped with solid or metal tires the gross maximum weight of load and vehicle combined For registration purposes the horse power of motor vehicles equipped with other than solid or metal tires except those propelled by steam or electricity shall be computed by the following formula Diameter of bore in inches squared times the number of cylinders times four tenths (.4) The accepted horse power for registration of motor vehicles propelled by steam or electricity shall be that given and certified to by the manufacturer The said application shall be made upon a blank provided for the purpose by the State Highway Department It shall be signed by the owner or owners in case of joint ownership and be verified by oath or affirmation Upon receipt of the application and the proper fee the State Highway Department shall register the said motor vehicle in a book to be kept for that purpose and shall issue to the owner or owners a registration certificate which shall entitle the holder or holders provided such person be more than eighteen years of age and be not mentally or physically disqualified to lawfully operate any motor vehicle Such certificate shall show the name and address of the owner or owners the name type horse power and manufacturers number of the motor vehicle and the registration number thereof The Highway Department shall also issue two (2) number tags having thereon the registration number the figures of which shall be not less than four (4) inches in height the abbreviated name of the State and the year except in the case of motor cycles the tags for which shall have figures not less than three (3) inches in height On the tags for motor vehicles equipped with solid tires the number shall be preceded by the letter S On the tags for trailers the number shall be preceded by the letter T

No motor vehicle shall be registerable which shall exceed ninety (90) inches outside over all width of vehicle and load combined except that motor busses for carrying passengers to be used within the city limits only in cities of the first second and third class may be registered up to one hundred (100) inches outside over all width of vehicle and load combined or shall exceed a maximum of twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load combined or shall exceed eighteen thousand (18,000) pounds maximum gross weight of vehicle and load combined upon any axle or shall exceed seven hundred and fifty (750) pounds maximum gross weight of vehicle and load combined upon any one wheel for each nominal inch of width of solid tire upon the wheel No motor vehicle equipped with metal tires shall be licensed as aforesaid but the owner shall upon application to the Highway Commissioner upon payment of a fee to be fixed by the Commissioner be given a special permit subject to rules and requirements to be established by the Highway Commissioner and any violation of such rules shall constitute eufficient cause for revocation of such special permit Applicants for registration who reside outside of this State shall in addition to the above requirements desidnate in their application the State Highway Commissioner as their authorized agent upon whom process may be served

Section 4 Motor vehicles owned or kept by manufacturers or dealers solely for the purpose of demonstrating testing or selling shall be exempt from the necessity of individual registration provided said manufacturer or dealer registers with the State Highway Department in the "dealers class" Applications for such registration shall be made upon a blank provided for the purpose by the State Highway Department which shall set forth the full name and business address of the applicant and shall be verified by oath or affirmation Upon receipt of the application accompanied by the proper fee for each certificate and pair of number tags desired the State Highway Department shall issue to the applicant as many certificates of registration and pairs of number tags as may be desired

such tags having thereon the number of the registration in figures not less than four (4) inches in height or in the case of dealers in motor cycles three (3) inches in height the year and the words "Penna. Dealer" the number shall be preceded by the letter X It shall be unlawful under any circumstances to operate a motor vehicle under a dealers registration unless both number tags are displayed as is provided in this act

It shall be unlawful to use or permit the use of the tags issued under a dealers registration on any motor vehicle other than those owned and operated by such dealer or his employes or for any other purposes than those set forth in this section

The fifth section was read as follows:

Section 5 The fee for the registration of a motor cycle shall be three dallors The fee for the registration of other motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires except as provided for in the dealers class when registration is issued prior to July of any year shall be five dollars for each motor vehicle of less than twenty horse power Ten dollars for each motor vehicle of twenty and less than thirty-five horse power fifteen dollars for each motor vehicle of thirty-five and less than fifty horse power twenty dollars for each motor vehicle of fifty horse power or more The fee for the registration of motor vehicles equipped with solid tires shall be five dollars for each motor vehicle of less than four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle ten dollars for each motor vehicle of four thousand pounds and less than five thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle fifteen dollars for each motor vehicle of five thousand and less than ten thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle twenty dollars for each motor vehicle of ten thousand and less than fifteen thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle twenty-five dollars for each motor vehicle of fifteen thousand and not more than twenty-four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle The fees for registration of vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles shall be one dollar for each such vehicle of less than two thousand pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined three dollars for each such vehicle of more than two thousand (2,000) and less than ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined and five dollars for each such vehicle of more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds and less than twenty-four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined

The fee shall be ten dollars for each certificate and pair of number tags issued to persons registered in the dealers class except for dealers in motor cycles for whom the fee shall be five dollars

The fees for registration when issued on or after July first shall be one-half those required above

No fee shall be charged for the registration of motor ambulances motor fire apparatus motor patrol wagons and motor cycles used by police officers owned and used by any city county incorporated town borough township duly authoried volunteer fire department hospital humane society or anti-cruelty society nor for any motor vehicle owned by the State of Pennsylvania or the United States but all such vehicles shall be registered and shall display number tags as provided for in case of privately owned vehicles All registrations shall expire December thirty-first of the year issued

The term pneumatic tires as used in this section shall be construed to mean any tire containing air at greater pressure than the surrounding atmosphere and all other tires shall be considered as solid tires.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 5, page 7, line 19, by adding after the word "Motor" the words "Vehicles Motor."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth section was read as follows:

Section 6 The provisions of this act relative to registration shall apply to a non-resident of this State other than a foreign corporation doing business in the State only to the extent that under the laws ofthe foreign country state territory or federal district of his residence like exemption and privileges are granted to residence of this State provided that he shal have complied with the provisions of the law of the foreign country State territory or federal district of his residence relative to registration of motor vehicles and the display of number tags thereon and shall conspicuosuly display the registration number as required thereby

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 6, Page 8, Line 10, by striking out the word "residence' and inserting in lieu thereof the word "residents."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 7 Upon the transfer of ownership or destruction of any motor vehicle its registration shall expire The original owner may however by proper affidavit accompanying his application register another motor vehicle upon payment of a fee of one dollar ($1) provided such motor vehicle be ofequal or less horse power or classification than that originally registered or upon payment of a fee of one dollar ($1) and the difference between the fee paid originally and that due if the motor vehicle be properly registerable in a higher class and such owner shall be assigned the number previously issued to him unless the original registration tags have been destroyed

Section 8 The Highway Commissioner may at his discretion revoke or suspend the registration of any motor vehicle or the license of any driver for improper conduct in operationg a motor vehicle upon hearing after due notice in writing of the proposed action and the grounds therefor has been mailed to the owner thereof or to the licensee at the address given in his application.

Section 9 No person under eighteen years of age whether the owner of a motor vehicle or not shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth nor shall any person owning or having charge of any motor vehicle permit any person under eighteen years of age to operate such vehicle.

No person whether an owner or not who is mentally or physically incapacitated shall operate a motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth unless such person be granted a special license or permit by the Highway Commissioner who shall have discretionary powers in the granting of the same Any person who has lost one hand or both or who has lost the use of one hand or both or who has lost both feet or who has lost the use of both feet or whose eyesight is so impaired that with the aid of glasses he cannot distinguish objects clearly at a distance of one hundred and fifty feet or who shall have less than twenty per cent of normal visage or who shall have less than two per cent of normal hearing shall be considered physically incapacitated and any person who is physically incapacitated as defined in this section who shall operate or drive any motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth without first securing a special license or permit shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) or more than three hundred dollars ($300) or in the case of non-payment of such fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days and no license or permit shall be issued thereafter to any person so convicted.

Section 10 Every person desiring to operate a motor vehicle as a paid operator or who is an employee of the owner or custodian thereof shall first obtain a paid driver's license Application for such license shall be made upon a blank furnished by the Highway Department and shall be signed by the applicant and be verified by oath or affirmation It shall contain the full name of the applicant with his place of residence and shall state that said applicant is over eighteen years of age and has ahd at least ten days experience in the operation of a motor vehicle and is not mentally or physically incapacitated as defined in this act The applicant may also at the option of the Highway Commissioner be required to submit himself to such examination or test of his fitness to operate a motor vehicle as may be required by the Highway Commissioner for which examination no charge shall be made

Upon receipt of the application and fee of two dollars ($2) the State Highway Department shall if the applicant fulfils the requirements issue to the applicant a paid driver's license and a badge The license shall show the licensee's name and residence and the date and number of the license but shall not be valid until the licensee's signature is attached thereto It shall be carried by the licensee at all times when operating a motor vehicle

Upon the badge shall be the words "Penna. Licensed Driver" the year and the number of the license which it accompanies It shall not be less than one and one-half inches in its greatest diameter and shall be conspicuously worn on the front of the outer garment of the licensee at all times when said licensee is operating a motor vehicle All such licenses shall expire December thirty-first of the year issued

Every person other than a paid operator or owner desiring to operate a motor vehicle shall make application for a license to the State Highway Department upon a blank furnished by the Department Such application shall be signed by the applicant and be verified by oath or affirmation It shall set forth the name and residence of the applicant who must be over eighteen years of age and must have had at least ten days experience in the operation of a motor vehicle and be not mentally or physically incapacitated as defined in this act

Any person so physically incapacitated who may desire to operate a motor vehicle shall in his application for a special license or permit clearly set forth the character of the defect or disability from which he may suffer and the experience he has had in the operation of a motor vehicle and furnish such additional information as to his ability to do so without endangering the safety of the public as the Highway Commissioner may require

Upon receipt of the application and a fee of one dollar the State Highway Department shall if the applicant fulfils the requirements issue to such applicant a license which shall be carried by the licensee at all times when operating a motor vehicle Such license shall be numbered and shall set forth the licensees' name and residence but shall not be valid until the licensee's signature is attached thereto All such licenses shall expire December thirty-first of the year issued

The Highway Commissioner shall issue Learners Permits to persons over eighteen years of age not mentally or physically incapacitated desiring to learn to operate a motor vehicle Such permits shall be issued for a period of thirty days but shall be valid only while such person is accompanied by a licensed driver The charge for such permit shall be fifty cents (50c)

The Highway Commissioner may refuse to issue a license to any applicant who in the estimation of the Commissioner is an improper person to operate a motor vehicle

The eleventh section was read as follows:

Section 11 No person shall operate any motor vehicle the registration of which has been suspended or revoked

No person whose license has been suspended or revoked or the registration of whose motor vehicle has been suspended or revoked shall operate any motor vehicle upon any public street or highway of this Commonwealth nor shall any person owning or having charge of any motor vehicle knowingly permit any person whose license or registration has been suspended or revoked to operate any such motor vehicle

No person whether an employe of the owner or custodian of any motor vehicle or not shall operate any motor vehicle without the knowledge or consent of the owner or custodian thereof

No person shall display upon any motor vehicle altered or false registration tags or operate any motor vehicle under any other number than that of its own registration

Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court and upon certification of such conviction by the clerk of the court to the State Highway Commissioner he may revoke the license of any licensee so convicted

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 11, line 20, by adding after the word "thereof," "and such owner shall be responsible in an action for damages caused to person or property by the negligent operation thereof upon any public highway whether such vehicle be operated or in charge of the owner thereof or any other person, with the knowledge, permission or consent of said owner."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twelfth section as read as follows:

Section 12 Any person operating a motor vehicle when under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any narcotic or habit producing drug or any person taking part in any race or speed contest for a prize or wager or otherwise upon any public highway or attempting to establish or lower any speed record upon any public highway shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than three hundred dollars ($300) or imprisonment for not more than one year or both at the discretion of the court and upon the certification of such conviction by the clerk of the court to the State Highway Commissioner he shall revoke the license of any person so convicted or the registration of the motor vehicle owned by him

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 12, by adding thereto: "And no license shall be again issued such person until after the expiration of one year from the date of such conviction."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The thirteenth and fourteenth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 13 The moneys derived from registration and license fees under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the State Highway Department into the State Treasury for safe keeping and shall by the State Treasurer be placed in a separate fund to be available for the use of the State Highway Department upon requisition of the State Highway Commissioner All such moneys hereafter paid into the State Treasury are hereby specifically appropriated to the State Highway Department for the purpose of assisting in the maintenance and repair of the State Highways and State-aid Highways of Pennsylvania The Auditor General shall upon requisition from time to time of the State Highway Commissioner draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer for the amount specified in such requisition not exceeding however the amount in such fund at the time of making such requisition

Section 14 On no motor vehicle owned by a resident of this Commonwealth while operated or driven upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth shall there be displayed number tags issued by any other state territory federal district or foreign country

Only one set of number tags shall be displayed upon any motor vehicle and except as provided in this act for non-residents no number tags shall be displayed other than those issued by the State Highway Department

No motor vehicle shall be operated upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth unless the registration tags are rigidly attached thereto parallel to the axles of the motor vehicle so that they cannot swing or oscillate one on the front the other on the rear of such motor vehicle The lower edge of the tags shall be not less than fifteen (15) inches above the ground They shall be entirely unobscured and be kept free from oil grease dirt or other substance likely to impair their legibility and shall not be bent or defaced in any manner and between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise the rear number tag shall be illuminated so that the number can be plainly distinguished provided however that motor cycles need display but one registration tag which shall be attached to the rear thereof in such manner as to fully comply with the provisions of this section

Should a tag or tags be so defaced that the number thereon becomes illegible it shall be the duty of the owner of the motor vehicle for which same have been issued to apply promptly for new tags

In case of the loss or defacing of one or both number tags or of a badge a new pair of tags or a badge of another number than that of the lost or defaced tag or badge shall be supplied by the State Highway Department A new pair of tags or badge may be obtained by filing with the State Highway Department upon a blank furnished by said Department an affidavit reciting the loss defacing or destruction of said tag or badge accompanied by a fee of one dollar ($1)

No owner or operator of a motor vehicle shall be subject to fine by reason of one number tag or his badge being missing provided that he make affidavit that the same has been lost destroyed or removed without his knowledge or consent within a period of one week and that application for new tags or badge be promptly made

The fifteenth section was read as follows:

Section 15 Every motor vehicle shall be provided when in use with good and sufficient brakes and with a horn bell or other signal device and where such vehicle is so constructed or so covered as to prevent the driver or operator thereof from having a sufficient view of the traffic following it shall be equipped with some device that will show the operator the road to the rear

Every motor vehicle whether standing or in motion upon any public highway shall from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise and whenever it is impossible to see clearly for a distance of two hundred (200) feet show at least two white or blue or amber colored lights on the front of such vehicle provided however that

motor cycles to which no side car is attached need display only one such light

Every motor vehicle including motor cycles shall also display one red light visible from the rear but if a trailer or trailers is attached to such motor vehicle a red light shall be displayed on such trailer or on the last trailer if more than one shall be clearly illuminated tag on the rear of every motor vehicle and trailer or last trailer if more than one shall be clearly illuminated from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise

Whenever there is not sufficient light within the limits of the highway to clearly reveal persons vehicles or substantial objects within the limit of one hundred and fifty (150) feet the front lights on every motor vehicle shall when the vehicle is in motion clearly illuminate the road for a distance of at least one hundred and fifty (150) feet in front of such motor vehicle and for five (5) feet to the side of such vehicle at a point ten (10) feet ahead of the lamps

On no motor vehicle shall there be displayed more than two lights equipped with reflectors in which electric bulbs of more than four (4) candle power are used and such lights shall be so arranged designed or deflected that no portion of the beam of reflected light when measured seventy-five (75) feet or more ahead of the lamps shall rise more than forty-two (42) inches above the level surface on which the vehicle stands.

The focused rays of light from any movable search light or spot light used on any motor vehicle shall not extend to the left of the center of the highway and shall not illuminate the roadway for a greater distance than fifty (50) feet ahead of the vehicle to which it is attached

The term "beam of reflected light" as used in this section shall be construed to mean the approximately parallel focalized rays gathered and projected by a reflector lens or other device

Every operator of a motor vehicle shall sound his horn bell or signal device giving reasonable warning of his approach whenever necessary to insure the safety of other users of the highways and also when aproaching any street or road crossing or dangerous curve where the proper authorities shall have erected signs easily readable from the highway and at right angles thereto bearing thereon in leters at least five (5) inches in height the words "Danger Blow Horn" provided that such signs may not be erected at street or road crosings where a full view to the right and the left is unobstructed

The unnecessary sounding of horns bells or other signal devices and the use of muffler cutouts upon any public highway is prohibited and no motor vehicle of any description shall be operated or driven on the public highways unless the engine be muffled so that the explosions of the engine shall not constitute a nuisance to the public

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 15 page 16 line 27 by adding after the word "device" the words "also with a signal device whereby at night when a motor-vehicle is approaching and is within one hundred feet of a street or road intersection, the intention to turn to right or left shall be indicated by changing color of the lights on the motor vehicle to such colors as the State Highway Commissioner shall prescribe

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The sixteenth section was read as follows:

Section 16 No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle on the public highways in this Commonwealth recklessly or at a speed that is greater than is reasonable and proper having regard to the width traffic and use of the highway or so as to endanger property or the life or limb of any person

No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding one (1) mile in two and one-half (2½) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing more than five thousand (5,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one (1) mile in four (4) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing over ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one (1) mile in five (5) minutes and no person shall drive a motor vehicle having solid tires and weighing over fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined at a greater rate of speed than one (1) mile in six (6) minutes

The local authorities having charge of any of the highways may however by formal action erect or cause to be erected at dangerous places or in closely built-up sections or at school houses and public play grounds signs having thereon in letters not less than five (5) inches in height the words "Danger Run Slow" Such signs to be placed at right angles to and plainly legible from the highway facing the traffic the speed of which is to be controlled After passing such a sign a rate of speed of one (1) mile in four (4) minutes shall not be exceeded for a distance of one quarter (¼) of a mile beyond such sign and if such dangerous conditions still exist or if such closely built-up section still continues a second sign similar to the above decribed may be erected and the speed limit shall not exceed the rate of a mile in four (4) minutes for not more than a quarter (¼) of a mile beyond such sign and as many such signs as may be necessary may be erected At the end of such dangerous place or closely built-up section there shall be erected a sign reading 'End of fifteen mile limit" in letters not less than five (5) inches in height all such signs to be placed at right angles to the highway on the right side thereof and facing the traffic to be controlled

No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Commonwealth having metal spurs or lugs or other metal projections more than three-fourth (¾) of an inch in length upon the tires thereof except upon natural earth roads or where the streets or highways are covered with ice or snow so that the safety of other users of the highway makes such devices necessary

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 16, page 20, lines 20 and 21, by striking out the word "dangerouse" and inserting in lien thereof the word "dangerous."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The seventeenth section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 17 When a motor vehicle meets or overtakes a street passenger car which has stopped for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers the motor vehicle shall not pass said car on the side on which passengers get on or off until the car has started or until any passenger who may have alighted shall have reached the side of the road or any passenger who may be about to board the car shall have done so

When signaled to do so by the driver of any horse or other animal of draft or burden the operator of a motor vehicle shall stop until the danger has been avoided

When meeting or when overtaken by any other motor vehicle legally traveling at a greater speed the operator or driver of any motor vehicle shall turn seasonably to the right of the center of the highway allowing the other vehicle free passage to the left

No driver or operator of any motor vehicle overtaking another vehicle shall pass such vehicle at a sharp turn or curve or where a full view of the highway ahead is obstructed

No person shall hang on to or ride on the rear end of any motor vehicle and no person on a bicycle roller skates or any similar device shall hold fast to or hitch on to any moving motor vehicle No unauthoried person shall blow the horn handle the levers or in any way tamper with or deface any motor vehicle standing upon any public highway

The eighteenth section was read as follows:

Section 18 Any person or persons removing altering or obliterating the manufacturers plate or number on any motor vehicle for the purpose of destroying the identity of such motor vehicle or any person or persons aiding or abetting in such removing altering or obliterating or any person or persons receiving or purchasing any motor vehicle upon which the manufacturers plate or number has been removed altered or obliterated without being in possession of evidence that the said manufacturers plate or number was not removed altered or obliterated with the intent of destroying the identify of said motor vehicle shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100.00) or more than three hundred dollars ($300.00) or imprisonment not exceeding one year or both at the discretion of the court and the clerk of the court in which such conviction is had shall certify such conviction to the State Highway Commissioner of Pennsylvania who shall forthwith revoke the license of any licensee to convicted

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend Section 18, page 22, line 14, by striking out the word "identify" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "identity."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-first sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 19 The proprietor of every public garage shall cause a record to be kept after the manner to be prescribed by the State Highway Commissioner of the names of any and all persons owning or having charge of any motor vehicle stored or left for repair or other purposes at any such public garage together with the make manufacture number name of the State of registration and the registration number of such motor vehicles Such record shall be kept in ink or indelible pencil and shall be open to the inspection of police officers or the proper authorities Such records shall be retained and be available for a period of one year after entry but not thereafter

Section 20 The State Highway Commissioner shall issue printed monthly bulletins giving the name address and number of each licensee and the name and address of the owner of each motor vehicle registered together with the registration number and the make and manufacturer's number of such vehicle which shall be furnished free of charge to mayors burgesses chiefs of police aldermen and justices of the peace and shall be sold at a nominal fee to all other applicants for the same

He shall also cause such records to be compiled and made available in his department as will reveal the identity of the owner of each motor vehicle registered

It shall be the duty of the Highway Commissioner to cause the original applications for registration and for license to be destroyed three years after the same have been received

Section 21 All operators of motor vehicles shall upon request or signal of any agent of the Highway Department constable police officer or member of the State police force who shall be in uniform or shall exhibit his badge or other sign of authority stop and exhibit their registration certificate or license and shall write their names in the presence of such officer if so required and shall furnish to any legally constituted authority all information in their possession as to the identity of the operator or owner of any motor vehicle

The twenty-second section was read as follows:

Section 22 All informations for offences as defined in this act committed by motor car owners or users in connection with the operation or use of such motor vehicles shall be brought under this act and not under any local ordinance rule or regulation and all such informations shall be made before a magistrate alderman or justice of the peace within the city borough incorporated town or township wherein such offence is alleged to have occurred

No city borough incorporated town township or county shall adopt enforce or maintain any ordinance rule or regulation regulating the speed of or governing the use or operation of motor vehicles other than city or borough traffic ordinances affecting the handling of traffic in general the parking of vehicles and one-way street regulations or requiring of any person any license tax upon or registration fee for any motor vehicles or any permit or license to operate any motor vehicle except that in parks the proper authorities may restrict the speed of motor vehicles to such a rate as may seem reasonable provided said rate of speed shall not be less than that allowed other vehicles and that legible signs shall be conspicuously placed indicating the rate of speed permitted Operators of motor vehicles shall have the same rights upon the public streets and highways as the drivers of any other vehicles and no public road open to horse drawn vehicles shall be closed to motor vehicles

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 22, page 24, line 5, by striking out the word "car" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "vehicle."

Also page 24, line 9, by inserting after "a" the word "burgess."

Amend section 22 by striking out all after line 12, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

"No city, county, borough, incorporated town or township shall adopt, enforce or maintain any ordinance, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the terms of this act, or fix a rate of speed lower than that permitted by this act, or require of any person any license, tax upon or registration fee for any motor vehicle or any permit or license to operate motor vehicles upon the public highways; except that in parks the proper arthorities may restrict the speed of motor vehicles to such a rate as may seem reasonable, provided said rate of speed shall not be less than that allowed other vehicles, and that legible signs shall be conspicuously placed, indicating the rate of speed permitted. Operators of motor vehicles shall have the same rights upon the public streets and highways as the drivers of any other vehicles, and no public road open to horse-drawn vehicles shall be closed to motor vehicles. Provided, however, That each city may regulate the transportation by motor vehicles (not operated on tracks) of passengers or property, for pay, within the limits of the city, or from points in the city to points beyond the limits of the city. In such regulation, the city may impose reasonable license fees, make regulations for the operation of vehicles, the rates to be charged for transportation, and may designate certain streets upon which such vehicles, if operated, must be operated."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-third section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 23 In any proceeding for the violation of provisions of this act the registered number displayed on the motor vehicle shall be prima facie evidence that the owner of said vehicle was then operating the same provided however that if at any hearing or proceeding the owner shall testify under oath or affirmation that he was not operating the said motor vehicle at the time of the alleged violation of this act and shall submit himself to an examination as to who at that time was operating such motor vehicle and reveal the name of the person if known or shall forward to the magistrate or justice of the peace an affidavit setting forth these facts then the prima facie evidence arising from the registered number shall be overcome and removed and the burden of proof shifted

The twenty-fourth section was read as follows:

Section 24 The constables and police officers of the State and of the counties cities boroughs incorporated towns and townships of this Commonwealth may arrest upon view and without warrant any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this act but such officer shall forthwith make and file with the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace before whom the person arrested is taken an affidavit setting forth in detail the alleged violation of the act complained of and furnished a copy at once to the person arrested In the event of an arrest as aforesaid if the defendant is unabel to give sufficient bail for a hearing or for his appearance at court the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace before whom he is first taken shall accept as bail any article of sufficient value or provided he is the owner thereof hold in custody the motor vehicle found in the possession of the defendant and the court magistrate alderman or justice of the peace after the trial of the defendant or if in the meantime sufficient bail according to law has been given shall make such order as to the disposition of such motor vehicle or other articles accepted as bail as shall seem just and proper

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 24, page 25, line 23, by inserting after the word "the" the word "burgess."

Also page 25, line 26, by striking out the word "furnished" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "furnish."

Also page 26, line 2, by inserting after the word "the" the word "burgess."

Also page 26, line 6, by inserting after the word "court" the word "burgess."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-fifth section was read as follows:

Section 25 Proceedings under this act may be commenced by warrant issued in the name of the Commonwealth which warrant may be served by a constable policeman or other officer having authority to serve warrants in any part of

the county in which the violation is alleged to have been committed unless the person who is so charged voluntarily responds to the notice mailed by the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace as is hereinafter provided for in this section but if the person charged cannot be served within the county then the constable policeman or officer to whom said warrant is directed shall deputize a constable policeman or other officer having legal authority to serve warrants of the county wherein the person charged resides or may be found who shall serve such warrant and for such service shall receive the usual fees and expenses therefor as allowed by law for such service A copy of the information shall be served with such warrant and the officer serving such warrant shall take the defendant before the nearest magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of the county in which the defendant is found who shall take bail either for the defendant's appearance before the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace who issued the warrant or for the defendant's appearance for trial in the proper court if a summary hearing is waived

All informations charging violations of any of the provisions of this act except as provided in sections nine eleven twelve eighteen twenty-five and twenty-seven shall be brought within two (2) weeks after the commission of the alleged violation and not after and within the period of seven (7) days thereafter the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall mail to the person so charged at the proper address as shown by the records of the State Highway Department a notice in writing of the issuing of the warrant together with a copy of the information and if the person named in the warrant shall not within ten (10) days thereafter voluntarily appear the warrant may be served as herein provided within thirty (30) days after the mailing of said notice provided that if any person named in such warrant shall be absent from his place of residence or cannot be found then such warrant may be served at any time within ten (10) days after his return to his place of residence

All money articles of value or motor vehicles deposited with any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace as provided for in this act shall be returned to the defendant immediately upon the termination of the cause

No alderman magistrate or justice of the peace shall try any case involving a violation of this act except upon warrant duly prepared in the form required by law which shall be preserved with the other papers pertaining to his office and no alderman magistrate or justice of the peace shall collect any fine or costs in any such case until he has completed the entries pertaining thereto in his docket kept for the making of his records and all such dockets shall be preserved and subject to inspection by any person upon demand

Aldermen magistrates or justices of the peace shall deliver without charge to the accused a receipt showing in detail the amount of fine and costs imposed upon and paid by such accused

No alderman magisrate or justice of the peace shall divide the fees of his office with any constable sheriff or other officer or with any individual not an officer who may assist in making an arrest or furnish evidence in a case arising under this act

No constable shall under any circumstances receive or attempt to collect any fine charge or deposit of collateral for appearance in any case involving a violation of this act

Any alderman magistrate justice of the peace constable or other officer violating any provision of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor in office and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) or imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding sixty (60) days or both at the discretion of the court also to removal from office

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 25, page 26, line 19, by inserting after the first "the" the word "burgess,"

Also page 27, line 5, by inserting after the word "the" the word "burgess."

Also page 27, line 14, by inserting after the word "the" the word "burgess."

Also page 27, line 28, by inserting after the word "any" the word "burgess."

Also page 28, line 3, by inserting after the word "no" the word "burgess."

Also page 28, line 7, by inserting after the word "no" the word "burgess.'

Also page 28, line 13, by inserting before the word "alderman" the word "burgesses."

Also page 28, line 17, by inserting after the word "no" the word "burgess."

Also page 28, line 26, by inserting after the word "any" the word "burgess."

Also page 29, line 3, by inserting after the word "or" the word "undergo."

Also page 20, line 5, by striking out the word "also" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and shall be subject."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The twenty-sixth section was read as follows:

Section 26 Any person except as provided in sections nine eleven twelve eighteen twenty-five and twenty-seven convicted of violating any of the provisions of this act shall be subject to a fine or penalty of not less than ten dollars ($10.00) nor more than twenty-five dollars ($25.00) to be collected by summary conviction before any magistrate alderman or justice of the peace as like fines and penalties are now by law collected or in case of non-payment of such fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding ten (10) days provided That any person so convicted shall have the right of appeal as in other cases of summary conviction and further provided That any person accused of violating any of the provisions of this act may waive the summary hearing and give bond in a sum of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) nor more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) for appearance for trial before a judge in the court of quarter sessions or in the county court or in the municipal court in counties wherein such courts exist and thereupon the magistrate alderman or justice of the peace shall within fifteen (15) days return the complaint or information to the said court and if any person so accused shall be convicted in said court of the offence charged he shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten dollars ($10.00) nor more than twenty-five ($25.00) or in case of non-payment of such fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding ten (10) days

Any person previously convicted of violating any of the provisions of this act upon conviction of any second or subsequent violation within a period of six (6) months after such first conviction shall be sentenced by the magistrate alderman justice of the peace or the court to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25.00) nor more than fifty dollars ($50.00) or in case of non-payment of such fine within forty-eight (48) hours to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding twenty (20) days provided that any person so accused of any second or subsequent violation of the provisions of this act shall have the same right of appeal or may waive summary hearing in the same manner and upon the same conditions as is provided for in cases of first violation

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 26, page 29, line 12, by inserting after the word "any" the word "burgess."

Also page 29, line 26, by inserting after the first "the" the word "burgess."

Also page 30, line 3, by inserting after the word "twenty-five" the word "dollars."

Also page 30, line 10, by inserting after the word "the" the word "burgess."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sections were read and agreed to as follows:

Section 27 All fines and penalties collected under the provisions of this act for violations of the same shall be returned to the State Treasurer to be used for the repair and maintenance of the State highways and State-aid highways except those collected for violations of the provisions as to speed or weight which shall be paid to the Treasurer of the city borough town or township wherein the violation occurred to be used for the repair and maintenance of the highways thereof

Sworn statements of all fines and penalties imposed for violations of this act shall be made to the State Highway Commissioner upon blanks to be furnished by the State Highway Department by the burgess magistrate justice of the peace or other officer imposing or receiving the same Such reports to the State Highway Commissioner and returns to the State Treasurer shall be made quarterly not later than the tenth day of the months of January April July and October of each year Any burgess magistrate justice of the peace or other officer who shall fail to make such quarterly reports and returns or either of them shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor in office and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100.00) nor more than five hundred

dollars ($500.00) or imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding sixty days or both at the discretion of the court

Section 28 All civil actions for damages arising from the use and operation of any motor vehicle may be brought in the city or county wherein the alleged damages were sustained and service of process may be made by the sheriff of the county where the suit is brought deputizing the sheriff of the county wherein the defendant or his registered agent resides or where service may be had upon him under the existing laws of this Commonwealth in like manner as process may now be served in the proper county

The twenty-ninth section was read as follows:

Section 29 The act approved April twenty-third one thousand nine hundred and three entitled "An Act relating to automobiles or motor vehicles providing for the registration thereof regulating the speed limit upon the public highways within this Commonwealth providing for the licensing of the operators thereof and fixing the amount of the license regulating the service of process and of proceedings in actions of damages arising therefrom and prescribing the penalties for the violation of the same" and the act approved April nineteenth one thousand nine hundred and five entitled "An Act relating to automobiles or motor vehicles and regulating the speed limit upon the streets and public highways of this Commonwealth providing for the licensing of the operators thereof by the State Highway Department fixing the amount of said license regulating the service of process and proceedings of actions in damages arising therefrom and prescribing the penalties for the violation of the provisions of the same" and the act approved April twenty-seventh one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act relating to motor vehicles regulating their speed upon the public streets and highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and the licensing of operators by the State Highway Department establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon public highways with relation to other vehicles regulating the service of process and of proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom prescribing the penalties for violations of the provisions of this act and providing for the disposition of fines imposed thereunder" and the act approved April twenty-first one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to amend section seven of an act entitled 'An Act relating to motor vehicles regulating their speed upon the public streets and highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and the licensing of operators by the State Highway Department establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles regulating the service of process and of proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom prescribing the penalties for violation of the provisions of this act and providing for the disposition of fines imposed thereunder" by striking out from section seven of said act the word "hire" wherever it may occur in said section and the act approved June first one thousand nine hundred and eleven entitled "An Act to amend the first section of an act approved the twenty-seventh day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled 'An Act relating to motor vehicles regulating their speed upon the public streets and highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and the licensing of operators by the State Highway Department establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles regulating the service of process and of proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom prescribing the penalties for violations of the provisions of this act and providing for the disposition of fines imposed thereunder by exempting hospital motor ambulances and motor fire engines and motor fire apparatus and requiring them to be furnished free of charge with registration certificates and number "tags" and the act approved July seventh one thousand nine hundred and thirteen entitled "An Act relating to and regulating motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles controlling their speed upon the public streets and highways in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for their registration and licensing of certain operators by the State Highway Department prohibiting the operation of any motor vehicle by any person when intoxicated or without the consent of the owner forbidding the passage of any law laying a tax upon or requiring the registration of motor vehicles or licensing of any operator or regulating the speed of motor vehicles by any county borough city incorporated town or township establishing the rights of motor vehicles upon the public highways with relation to other vehicles providing for their equipment and for the width of tires to be used upon motor vehicles and vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising therefrom providing for arrest and for service of process and proceedings for violation of this act prescribing the penalties therefor and providing for the disposition of fees collected and fines imposed thereunder and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments?

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 29, page 32, line 9, by inserting after the word "violation" the words "of the provisions."

Amend section 29, page 32, line 16, by inserting after the word "and" the word "of."

Amend section 29, page 32, line 18, by striking out the word "violation" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "violations."

Amend section 29, page 32, line 25, by inserting after the word "upon" the word "the."

Amend section 29, page 33, line 11, by striking out the word "violation" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "violations."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting the tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city borough incorporated town township or county requiring any taxes registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 13, entitled

An Act relative to the carrying, use and sale of dangerous weapons.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a person who manufactures or causes to be manufactured or sells or keeps for sale or offers or gives or disposes of any instrument or weapon of the kind usually known as a blackjack slungshot billy sandclub sandbag bludgeon or metal knuckles to any person or a person who offers sells or loans leases or gives any gun revolver pistol or other firearm or any airgun spring gun or other instrument or weapon in which the propelling force is a spring or air or any instrument or weapon commonly known as a toy pistol or in or upon which any loaded or blank cartridges are use or may be used or any loaded or blank cartridges or ammunition therefor to any person under the age of sixteen years shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500) and undergo an imprisonment by separate and solitary confinement not exceeding one year or either or both at the discretion of the court

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I desire of offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, lines 12 and 13, by striking out the words "or any instrument or weapons commonly known as a toy pistol."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 That a person who attempts to use against another or who carries or possesses any instrument or weapon of the kind commonly known as a blackjack slungshot billy sandclub sandbag metal knuckles bludgeon or who with intent to use the same unlawfully against another carries or possesses a dagger dirk dangerous knife razor stiletto or any other dangerous or deadly instrument or weapon shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as hereinafter mentioned and for the second and any subsequent offence shall be deemed guilty of a felony punishable as hereinafter mentioned

A person who carries or possesses a bomb or bombshell or who with intent to use the same unlawfully against the person or property of another carries or possesses any explosive substance shall be deemed guilty of a felony punishable as hereinafter mentioned

Any person under the age of sixteen years who shall have carry or have in his possession any of the articles named or described in section one of this act which it is forbidden therein to offer sell loan lease or give to him shall be deemed guilty of juvenile delinquency

Any person over the age of sixteen years who shall have in his possession in this Commonwealth any pistol revolver or other firearm of a size which may be concealed upon the person without a written license therefor issued to him as hereinafter prescribed shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as hereinafter mentioned and for the second or any subsequent offence shall be deemed guilty of a felony punishable as hereinafter mentioned

Any person over the age of sixteen yeasr who shall have or carry concealed upon his person in this Commonwealth any pistol revolver or other firearm without a written license therefor issued as hereinafter prescribed and licensing such possession and concealment shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as hereinafter mentioned and for the second or any subsequent offence shall be deemed guilty of a felony punishable as hereinafter mentioned

Any person not a citizen of the United States unless authorized by license issued as hereinafter prescribed who shall have or carry firearms or any dangerous or deadly weapons in this Commonwealth shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as hereinafter mentioned and for a second subsequent offence shall be deemed guilty of a felony punishable as hereinafter mentioned

It shall be the duty of the high sheriff of any county in this State to whom an application therefor is made by any warden or superintednent of any State prison penitentiary workhouse reformatory county jail or other institution for the detention of persons convicted of or accused of crime or offences or held as witnesses in criminal cases to issue to each of such persons in his county as may be designated in such applications and who is in the regular employ in such institutions a license authorizing such persons to have and carry concealed a pistol or revolver while such person remains in the said employ

It shall be the duty of any high sheriff in any county in this State upon application therefor by any householder merchant storekeeper or messenger of any banking institution or express company in the State and provided such high sheriff is satisfied of the good moral character of the applicant and provided that no other good cause exists for the denial of such application to issue to such applicant a license to have and possess a pistol or revolver and authorizing him (a) if a householder to have such weapon in his dwelling and (b) if a merchant or storekeeper to have such weapon in his place of business and (c) if a messenger of a banking institution or express company to have and carry such weapon concealed while in the employ of such institution or express company

In addition it shall be lawful for any high sheriff in any county upon proof before him that the person applying therefor is of good moral character and that the proper cause exists for the issuance thereof to issue to such person a license to have and carry concealed a pistol or revolver without regard to employment or place of possessing such weapon provided however that no such license shall be issued to any alien or to any person not a citizen of and usually resident in the State of Pennsylvania except by a judge of a court of record in this State who shall state in such license the particular reason for the issuance thereof and the names of persons certifying to the good moral character of the applicant

Any license issued in pursuance of the provisions of this section may be limited as to the date of expiration thereof and may be vacated and cancelled at any time by the high sheriff or judge who issued the same or by any judge of a court of record in this State Any license issued in pursuance of this section and not otherwise limited as to place or time of possession of such weapon shall be effective throughout the State of Pennsylvania, notwithstanding the provisions of any local law or ordinance

This section shall not apply to the regular and ordinary transportation of firearms as merchandise nor to sheriffs members of the State constabulary county detectives policemen or to duly appointed peace officers nor to duly authorized military or civil organizations when parading nor to the members thereof when going to and from the place of meeting of their respective organizations

Any person guilty of a misdemeanor under this section shall upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500) and undergo an imprisonment by separate and solitary confinement not exceeding two years or either or both at the discretion of the court and any person guilty of a felony under this section shall upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars ($1,000) and undergo an imprisonment by separate and solitary confinement not exceeding five years

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I desire of offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 5, line 16, by striking out "Constabulary" and inserting in lieu thereof "Police."

Amend section 2, page 5, by adding after the word "officers" on line 18, the words "nor to paymasters and other employes engaged in the payment of wages."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 The possession by any person other than a public officer of any of the weapons specified in section two of this act concealed or furtively carried on the person is presumptive evidence of carrying or concealing or possessing with intent to use the same in violation of section two of this act

Section 4 The unlawful carrying of a pistol revolver or other firearm or of an instrument or weapon of the kind usually known as blackjack bludgeon slungshot billy sandclub sandbag metal knuckles or of a dagger dirk dangerous knife or any other dangerous or deadly weapon by any person save a peace officer is a nuisance and such weapons are hereby declared to be nuisances and when any one or more of the above described instruments or weapons shall be taken from the possession of any person the same shall be surrendered to the sheriff of the county wherein the same shall be taken except that in cities of the first and second classes the same shall be surrendered to the head of the police force or department of said city The officer to whom the same shall be so surrendered shall except upon a certificate of a judge of a court of record or of the district attorney that the nondestruction thereof is necessary or proper in the ends of justice proceed at least once in each year to destroy or cause to be destroyed any and all such weapons and instruments in such manner and to such extent that the same shall be and become wholly and entirely ineffective and useless for the purposes for which destined and harmless to human life and limb

Section 5 No pistol revolver or other firearm of a size which may be concealed upon the person shall be sold or given away or otherwise disposed of except to a person expressly authorized to possess and have such firearm under the provisions of section two of this act

Every person selling a pistol revolver or other firearm of a size which may be concealed upon the person whether such seller is a retail dealer pawnbroker or otherwise shall keep a register in which shall be entered at the time of sale the date of sale name age description occupation and residence of every purchaser of such a pistol revolver or other firearm together with the calibre make model manufacturer's number or other mark of identification on such pistol revolver or other firearm Such person shall also before delivering the same to the purchaser require such purchaser to produce a license for possessing or carrying the same as required by law and shall also enter in such register the date of such permit the number thereof if any and the name of the person by whom the same was issued Every person who shall fail to keep a register and enter therein the facts required by this section or who shall fail to exact the production of a permit to possess or carry such pistol revolver or other firearm if such permit is required by law shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as hereinafter mentioned Such register shall be open at all reasonable hours for the inspection of any peace officer Every person becoming the lawful possessor of such a pistol revolver or other firearm who shall sell give or transfer the same to another person without notifying the police authorities shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor Any person who shall impersonate another in securing or attempting to secure a license or permit for possessing or carrying such a pistol revolver or other firearm or who shall by any means whatever fraudulently obtain a license or permit for possessing or carrying the same shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as hereinafter mentioned This section shall not apply to wholesale dealers

Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) and undergo an imprisonment by separate and solitary confinement not exceeding one year

Section 6 It shall be the duty of the high sheriff in each county of this State to keep a public record of all licenses issued by himself or any judge of a court of record in accordance with the provisions of this act

The seventh section was read as follows:

Section 7 This act does not repeal the provisions of the act approved the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five (Pamphlet Laws thirty-three) entitled "An Act to punish persons for carrying concealed weapons within the Commonwealth" nor the provisions of the act approved the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eleven) entitled "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of toy deadly weapons in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" nor any of the provisions of the act approved the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-six) entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capturing and killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership of shotgun or rifle by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 7, page 9, line 1, by striking out "the" following "within" and inserting in lieu thereof "this."
Amend section 7, page 9, line 12, by striking out "turing, and" and inserting in lieu thereof "sure or."
Amend section 7, page 9, line 14, by inserting "or possession" after "ownership."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The eighth and ninth sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 8 The act approved the tenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eleven) entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale to any person under sixteen years of age of deadly weapons gunpowder and explosive substances in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" is hereby repealed
Section 9 All other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are repealed
An Act relative to the carrying, use and sale of dangerous weapons.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1009, entitled

An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act providing for payment of costs in criminal cases by the proper county," approved the nineteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, by providing for payment of costs by the proper county in criminal cases where the bill of indictment has been quashed.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act of General Assembly approved the nineteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven entitled "An Act providing for payment of costs in criminal cases by the proper county
Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the costs of prosecution accruing in every case of misdemeanor in any of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace of this Commonwealth shall on the termination of the prosecution by the bill of indictment being ignored by the grand jury or by a verdict of a traverse jury and sentence of the court thereon be immediately chargeable to and paid by the proper county Provided That the county shall be liable only for the costs of such witnesses as the district attorney shall certify were subpoenaed by his order and were in attendance and necessary to the trial of the case" be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the costs of prosecution accruing in every case of misdemeanor in any of the courts of quarter sessions of the peace of this Commonwealth shall on the termination of the prosecution by the bill of indictment being ignored by the grand jury or on the termination of the prosecution by the bill of indictment being quashed by the court or by a verdict of a traverse jury and sentence of the court thereon be immediately chargeable to and paid by the proper county Provided That the county shall be liable only for the costs of such witnesses as the district attorney shall certify were subpoenaed by his order and were in attendance and necessary to the trial of the case

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
The first section was read as follows:
Mr. THOMAS J. MORGAN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out "of General Assembly."
Amend section 1, page 1, line 7, by inserting after "county" the following: "which reads as follows."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 11, by striking out "be and the same" and the words "so as."
Amend section 1, page 2, line 18, after the word "Peace" by inserting the words "or other Court of Record of the proper county."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The second section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 All acts or parts of an act general local or special inconsistent with any of the provisions of this act are repealed
An Act amending an act, entitled "An Act providing for payment of costs in criminal cases by the proper county," approved the nineteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, by providing for payment of costs by the proper county in criminal cases where the bill of indictment has been quashed.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 662, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel, or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments, and to make, have, and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate, granite, stone, or rocks, or for dressing, polishing, working, or manufacturing the same, or any of them, and to mineral springs companies, incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one; extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement, and cement products, and the quarrying of cement rock, approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven; extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using, and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery, and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution, or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose, constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying, or leasing any works, construction, or plant, or part thereof, connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose; and of producing, furnishing, and supplying electricity or electrical appara-

tus in any form and for any purpose, and to carry on a general manufacturing business,' " approved the twenty third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven; by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing, or sale of petroleum and petroleum products," by extending the same to corporations incorporated for the manufacture of leather or articles containing leather.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the ninth day of April one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws sixty-three) entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments and to take have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes' approved the ninth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate granite stone or rocks or for dressing polishing working or manufacturing the same or any of them and to mineral springs companies incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water approved thesixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three 'approved the nineteenth day of April Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one extending the same to companies formed for the purposes of manufacturing and selling chemicals foodstuffs cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock' approved May twenty-eighth one thousand nine hundred and sexen extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind oppertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business" ' approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products" which as amended reads as follows

"It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass or for the quarrying of slate granite cement rock stone or rocks of any kind or for dressing polishing or manufacturing the same or any of them or for any mineral springs company incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water or for any company incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing supplying and sale of ice or for the manufacture and sale of chemicals or for the manufacture and sale of food-stuffs and eatables cement and cement products and the quarrying of cemetn rock or for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical enerby or products for any use or purpose constructing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business or for the refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporation organized under the laws of this State are entitle dto employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State" is hereby further amended to read as follows

Section 1 It shall and may be lawful for any company incorporated under the laws of any other State for the manufacture of any form of iron steel or glass or for the quarrying of slate granite cement rock stone or rocks of any kind or for dressing polishing or manufacturing the same or any of them or for any mineral springs company incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water or for any company incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing supplying and sale of ice or for the manufacture and sale of chemicals or for the manufacture and sale of foodstuffs and eatables cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock or for the manufacture buying selling leasing using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production use regulation control distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose construing acquiring using selling buying or leasing any works construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use distribution regulation control or application of electricity or the control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business or for the refining manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products or for the manufacture of any form of leather or any article or things which may be manufactured from leather is a component part to erect and maintain buildings and manufacturing establishments within this Commonwealth and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper therefor Provided That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent or relieve real estate taken and held by such company under the provisions of this statute from being taxed in like manner with other real estate within this Commonwealth And provided further That no foreign corporation shall be entitled to employ any greater amount of capital in any such business in this State than the same kind of corporations organized under the laws of this State are entitled to employ And provided further That every such foreign corporation doing business as aforesaid in this Commonwealth shall be liable to taxation to an amount not exceeding that imposed on corporations organized for similar purposes under the laws of this State and every such foreign corporation taking the benefit of this act shall make the same returns to the Auditor General that are now required by law of the corporations of this State

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 4, line 20, by striking out "as amended."

Amend section 1, page 7, line 5, by striking out "furnshing" and inserting in lieu thereof "furnishing."

Amend section 1, page 7, line 23, by striking out "corpoartions" and inserting in lieu theerof "corporations."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to amend an act, 'An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act authorizing companies incorporated under the laws of any other State of the United States for the manufacture of any form of iron, steel or glass to erect and maintain biuldings and manufacturing establishments and to take, have and hold real estate necessary and proper for manufacturing purposes,' approved the ninth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, extending the same to companies formed for the purpose of quarrying slate g,ranite, stone or rocks or for dressing, polishing, working or manufacturing the same or any of them and to mineral springs companies incorporated for the purpose of bottling and selling natural mineral springs water, approved the sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three," approved the nineteenth doy of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one, extending the same to companies formed for the purposes of manufacturing and selling chemicals, foodstuffs, cement and cement products and the quarrying of cement rock,' approved May twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven, extending the same to companies incorporated for the manufacture, buying, selling, leasing, using and operation of electrical apparatus and machinery and articles of every kind appertaining to or in any wise connected with the production, use, regulation, control, distribution or application of electricity or electrical energy or products for any use or purpose constructing, acquiring, using, selling, buying or leasing any works, construction or plant or part thereof connected with or involving such use, distribution, regulation, control or use of electrical apparatus for any purpose and of producing, furnishing and supplying electricity or electrical apparatus in any form and for any purpose and to carry on a general manufacturing business,' approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand

nine hundred and eleven, by extending the same to companies incorporated for the purpose of refining, manufacturing or sale of petroleum and petroleum products," by extending the same to corporations incorporated for the manufacture of leather or articles containing leather.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1017, as follows:

An Act prohibiting the handling or driving of horses or other animals or teams or vehicles on the public highways of the Commonwealth by an intoxicated person and providing penalties therefor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful fo rany person to ride drive lead or handle any horse or other animal or to drive or be in charge of any carriage wagon or other vehicle drawn by horses or other animals on an yof the public highways of the Commonwealth when in an intoxicated condition and that any person so handling any aimal or so drivig or operating any vehicle when in an intoxicated codition shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred ($100.00) dollars and not more than five hundred ($500.00) dollars or imprisonment for not more than one year or both at the discretion of the court

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 621, entitled

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith and providing for the disposition of the license, fines and penalties received."

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section four of an act approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five) entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith and providing for the disposition of the license fees fines and penalties received" which reads as follows

"Section 4 Each and every resident of this Commonwealth such resident being a citizen of the United States upon application made verbally or in writing to any county treasurer within the Commonwealth and the presentation of proof that he is a citizen of the United States and a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth under the requirements of this act and the payment to said county treasurer of one dollar shall beentitled to what is herein designated as a 'Resident Hunter's License' and a tag with the number of the license therein Provided That no person under the age of sixteen years shall be entitled to or receive such license without presenting a written request therefor bearing the signature of his father or mother or his legally constituted guardian Provided further That no person under fourteen years of age shall be granted a license said license shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the Board of Game Commissioners at the cost of the Commonwealth Such license shall bear a description of the person applying for the same with the date of its issue and shall authorize the person named therein to use legal firearms for the purpose of hunting and killing any of the wild animals of game-birds protected by the laws of this Commonwealth under the restrictions and requirements of existing laws during that year the date of which is inscribed thereon Said certificate shall become void on the thirty-first day of December next following the date of issue The Game Commission shall also furnish free of charge and the county treasurer shall issue with each license a tag bearing the license number in figures at least one inch in height which tag said license is required to display on the back of the sleeve between the elbow and the shoulder in such manner that the figures be visible at all times while hunting Provided That it shall be lawful under the provisions of this act for any justice of the peace within this Commonwealth who has qualified therefor by having applied to the county treasurer of the county in which he is located and having received and receipted for necessary blanks and tags to issue a resident hunter's license and tag on ile conditions and in like manner as prescribed for the issuance of licenses by any county treasurer upon payment of fifteen cents to said justice by the said licensee in addition to the other dollar prescribed as the cost of said license and reporting the same and remitting payment therefor to the county treasurer of the county in which said justice of the peace is located Such report and remittance to be made and done by said justice of the peace within twenty-four hours after the issuance of said license by him Whereupon said county treasurer shall make a record of and otherwise treat said license as though it had been issued from his office except that he shall also note upon his record the name of the justice issuing the license Every justice of the peace shall deliver the book or books from which he has issued license together with the stubs therein properly filled out and showing the names of each licensee and the number of the license issued to him to the treasurer of his county during the month of January of each year" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 4 Each and every resident of this Commonwealth such resident being a citizen of the United States upon application made verbally or in writing to any county treasurer within the Commonwealth and the presentation of proof that he is a citizen of the United States and a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth under the requirements of this act and the payment to said county treasurer of one dollar shall be entitled to what is herein designated as a "Resident Hunter's License" and a tag with the number of the license therein Provided That no person under the age of sixteen years shall be entitled to or receive such license without presenting a written request therefor bearing the signature of his father or mother or his legally constituted guardian Provided further That no person under fourteen years of age shall be granted a license said license shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the Board of Game Commissioners in books or pads containing fifty forms each at the cost of the Commonwealth Such license shall bear a description of the person applying for the same with the date of its issue and shall authorize the person named therein to use legal firearms for the purpose of hunting and killing any of the wild animals of game-birds protected by the laws of this Commonwealth under the restrictions and requirements of existing laws during that year the date of which is inscribed thereon Said certificate shall become void upon the thirty-first day of December next following the date of issue The Game Commission shall also furnish free of charge and the county treasurer shall issue with each license a tag bearing the license number in figures at least one inch in height which tag said license is required to display on the back of the sleeve between the elbow and the shoulder in such manner that the figures be visible at all times while hunting Provided That it shall be lawful under the provisions of this act for any justice of the peace within this Commonwealth who has qualified therefor by having applied to the county treasurer of the county in which he is located and having received and receipted for necessary blanks and tags to issue a resident hunter's license and tag on like conditions and in like manner as prescribed for the issuance of licenses by any county treasurer upon payment of fifteen cents to said justice by the said licensee in addition to the other dollar prescribed as the cost of said license Said fifteen cents to be retained by said justice of the peace as his fee for the issuance of said license and reporting the same and remitting payment therefor to the county treasurer of the county in which said justice of the peace is located Such report and remittance to be made and done by said justice of the peace within twenty-four hours after the issuance of said license by him Whereupon said county treasurer shall make a record of and otherwise treat said license as though it had been issued from his office except that he shall also note upon his record the name of the justice issuing the license Every justice of the peace shall deliver the book or books or pad or pads from which he has issued license together with the stubs therein properly filled out and showing the names of each licensee and the number of the license issued to him to the treasurer of his county during the month of January of each year

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. McCURDY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 3, line 11, by striking out "license" and inserting in lieu thereof "licensee."

Amend section 1, page 4, line 8, by striking out "license" and inserting in lieu thereof "licenses."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read as follows:

An Act to amend section four of an act approved the seventeenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, entitled "An Act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws fo this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions and the maner or proceeding to enforce compliance therewith and providing for the disposition of the license fees, fines and penalties received."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. McCURDY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 10, by striking out "maner or" and inserting in lieu thereof "manner of."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 711, as follows:

An Act to amend part of section six of an act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State highway commissioner two deputy State highway commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commission providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act"

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That so much of section six of the act approved the thirty-first day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a State Highway Department by the appointment of a State Highway Commissioner two Deputy State Highway Commissioners chief engineer chief draughtsman superintendents of highways and a staff of assistants and employes defining their duties and the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department and fixing salaries of Commissioner and deputies and other appointees providing for taking over from the counties or townships of the Commonwealth certain existing public roads connecting county seats principal cities and towns and extending to the State line describing and defining same by route numbers as the State Highways of the Commonwealth providing for the improvement maintenance and repair of said State Highways solely at the expense of the Commonwealth and relieving the several townships or counties from any further obligation and expense to improve or maintain the same and relieving said townships or counties of authority over same requiring boroughs and incorporated towns to maintain certain State Highways wholly and in part requiring the State Highway Commissioner to make maps to be complete records thereof conferring authority on the State Highway Commissioner providing for the payment of damages in taking of property or otherwise in the improvement thereof providing for purchase or acquiring of turnpikes or toll roads forming all or part of any State Highway and procedure therein providing for work of improvement of State Highways to be done by contract except where the State Highway Commissioner decides the work be done by the State providing aid by the State to counties and townships desiring the same in the improvement of township or county roads defining highways and State-aid highways providing method of application for State aid in the improvement maintenance and repair of township or county roads and prescribing the contents of township county borough or incorporated town petitions providing for percentage of cost of improvement or repairs to be paid by State county township borough or incorporated town and requiring contracts by counties townships boroughs and incorporated towns with Commonwealth governing same providing for the minimum width of State Highways and State-aid highways and kind of materials to be used in the improvement providing for payment of cost of improvement and repairs providing penalty for injuring or destroying State Highways making appropriations to carry out the provisions of the act and providing for the repeal of certain acts relating to Highway Department and improvement of roads and of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith and providing that existing contracts are not affected by provisions of this act" which reads as follows

"Route two hundred and sixty-eight From Greensburg to Waynesburg Commencing in Greensburg and running over route one hundred and eighteen to Charleroi thence by way of Allenport California West Brownsville and Millsboro to a point on the dividing line between Washington and Greene Counties thence by way of Clarkville and Jefferson into Waynesburg Greene County" is hereby amended to read as follows

Route two hundred and sixty-eight From Greensburg to Waynesburg Commencing in Greensburg and running over route one hundred and eighteen to Charleroi thence by way of Allenport California West Brownsville and Millsboro to a point near the western boundary of Rice's Landing Borough to cross roads near the Dry Tavern thence by way of Stockdales Lane to Jefferson into Waynesburg Greene County

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 912, as follows:

An Act validating certain foreclosure proceedings instituted by foreign executors, administrators and guardians sheriffs sale's had thereon and the title acquired thereby.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all foreclosure proceedings by scire facias or otherwise heretofore instituted in any of the courts of this Commonwealth by any executor administrator guardian or other legal representative of the estate of a decedent or a minor acting under any authority granted by or under the laws of any other state or territory of the United States or of any kingdom state sovereignty or country and all sheriff's sales upon any judgments recovered and executions issued in said foreclosure proceedings where such executor administrator guardian et cetera has prior to the

institution of said proceedings filed in the office of the Register of Wills in and for the county in which the real estate so sold at sheriff's sale is situate a duly authenticated copy of the will or other grant of authority as aforesaid be and the same are hereby validated and the title acquired by such sheriff's sales shall be the same as would have been acquired by an executor administrator guardian or other legal representative duly appointed by the proper courts of this Commonwealth Nothing herein contained shall affect the right of any parties to any suit now pending in which the validity of the title to lands under any such sheriff's sale shall have been questioned

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BALDRIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, line 10: strike out "kindgom" and insert in lieu thereof "kingdom."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 5: strike out "and."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act validating certain foreclosure proceedings instituted by foreign executors, administrators and guardians sheriff's sales had thereon and the title acquired thereby.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 985, as follows:

An Act providing for the establishment of auxiliary state game preserves

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter whenever the owner or owners of suitable lands of a total of not less than two hundred and fifty acres nor more than two thousand acres shall desire to have said lands declared a State game preserve the Board of Game Commissioners may declare said lands an auxiliary State Game preserve

Section 2 The owner or owners of said lands shall petition the Board of Game Commissioners for the establishment of said State game preserve The petition shall set forth that the owner or owners are willing to vest in the Commonwealth all right to hunt upon said lands without any charge or remuneration whatever that the owner or owners agree that neither they their families their agents their tenants nor any other persons shall hunt thereon by and with their authority and that they will make every effort to protect said preserve from hunting and from violations of any nature The petition shall also set forth that all agreements therein shall continue in force for an uninterrupted period of not less than ten years and such longer period as may be desired by the petitioners

Section 3 The petition shall be in such form as may be required by the Board of Game Commissioners and shall be endorsed by at least fifty qualified electors of the county wherein said lands may be located and shall be presented to said Board for their consideration and approval

Section 4 Upon investigation if said Board is satisfied that such lands are suitable for the purpose mentioned and shall decide that the establishment of said auxiliary State game preserve is advisable they shall thereupon enter into an agreement with the owners and shall declare said lands an auxiliary State game preserve They shall cause said lands to be surrounded by a single wire as a marker if same is not already surrounded by a suitable enclosure They shall cause to be posted notices not more than one hundred and fifty yards apart in such form as may be deemed necessary by said Board The notices shall set forth the fact that the lands enclosed have been approved as an auxiliary State game preserve and that hunting thereon is unlawful at all times No auxiliary State game preserve shall be established within a radius of five miles from another auxiliary State game preserve

Section 5 The Board shall cause the proclamation declaring such lands an auxiliary State game preserve to be advertised in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the county wherein such preserve is located one time each week for three consecutive weeks

Section 6 The said auxiliary State game preserve shall thereupon be deemed to be a public State game preserve and all laws rules and regulations and penalties for violation of the same that now apply or shall hereafter apply to State game preserves shall be deemed to apply to said auxiliary State game preserve

Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 960, as follows:

An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the deposit of dirt refuse or rubbish upon pavements public highways or streets and providing penalties

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it is unlawful for any person partnership association or corporation or any agent or employe of any such person partnership association or corporation to remove or cause to be removed from any store dwelling or other building any dirt refuse or rubbish and deposit the same on any highway street cartway or pavement except for the purpose of loading the same in any vehicle that is intended for the removal of such dirt refuse or rubbish or for the purpose of depositing the same in any receptacle in which the said dirt refuse or rubbish is to be carted away

Section 2 Any constable or other person authorized by law can make arrests is hereby empowered to arrest without warrant any person violating the provisions of this act and to take the offender before the nearest magistrate alderman or justice of the peace

Section 3 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall upon conviction in a summary proceeding before a magistrate alderman or justice of the peace of the county where the offense is committed be sentenced to pay a fine of five dollars with costs The fine so recovered shall be paid into the treasury of the city borough town or township in which the violation is committed

Section 4 In default of the payment of such fine and costs the offender shall be sentenced to be confined in the county jail for not more than five days and not less than one day

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BRADY. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 960, File Folio 1929, be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. GOLDER. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 691, entitled

An Act regulating the practice of drugless therapeutics defining the same creating a Board of Licensure therefor and means and methods whereby the right to practice drugless therapeutics in any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That on and after the passage and approval of this act it shall be unlawful for any person or persons within the State of Pennsylvania to hold himself or herself forth as a practitioner in drugless therapeutics or any branch thereof or to assume the title of doctor of drugless therapeutics or to dignose diseases or to treat diseases by drugless therapeutics or to hold himself or herself forth as able so to do or to sign any death or birth certificate except such persons as are hereinafter exempted from the provisions of this act until he or she shall have received a certificate from the State Broard of Drugless Therapeutics created by this act which certificate shall be recorded in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction at Harrisburg and in the prothonotary's office of the county wherein such person desires to practice

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 8, by striking out "Dignose" and inserting in lien thereof "diagnose."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 That the provisions of this act may be fully enforced the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized and directed to appoint a State Board of Drugless Therapeutic Examiners from such practitioners of good standing who have received a degree from a reputable chartered school or college of Drugless Therapeutics of the various schools or systems hereinafter set forth who have been regularly engaged in the practice of Drugless Therapeutics for a period of five years prior to the passage and approval of this act said Board shall consist of one representative from each of the following schools or systems neuropathy manual therapy chiropractic psychological therapy and scientific massage Provided That no school or system shall at any time be represented by more than one member on said board

The members so appointed shall within fifteen days after the date of their appointment meet at Harrisburg Pennsylvania for organization and shall thereupon elect a president secretary and treasurer adopt a common seal and make all necessary rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this State or of the United States whereby to perform their duties and transact the business required under the provisions of this act and they shall thereafter hold annual meetings for organization purposes

Immediately after the first organization of said Board the members thereof shall be divided into three classes the first class to consist of two to serve for two years the second class to consist of two to serve for three years and the third class to consist of one to serve for five years The selection of the members of the various classes shall be made by lot and at the expiraiton of the terms of the members first appointed the Governor shall from a list of all licensed drugless practitioners of this State to be furnished him yearly by the Secretary of the Board appoint a successor to fill such vacancy said successor to be appointed for a term of five years and all appointments thereafter caused by, the expiration of any term or terms shall be for a like period of five years In case of any vacancy occurring on said Board except by expiration of term the Governor shall forthwith appoint a successor to fill the unexpired term

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows

Amend section 2, page 2, line 20, by striking out the words "scientific massage," and inserting in lien thereof "Naturopathy."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 After the passage and approval of this act any person desiring to practice drugless therapeutics or any branch thereof in this State except as hereinafter provided shall make application in writing at least ten days before the date fixed for examination to the State Board of Drugless Therapeutics in the form provided by the Board Said application shall be accompanied by a fee of twenty-five dollars together with a photograph of the applicant a certificate of preliminary education equivalent to four years of high school attendance and a diploma from a reputable school or college of drugless therapeutics approved by the State Board maintaining at the time of applicant's attendance therein and at the time of the granting of said diploma a resident course of study of four years of nine months in each year or its equivalent

All examinations shall be written in the English language In addition to such other subjects as may be required by the board for each drugless system shall include anatomy physiology histology chemistry pathology bacteriology hygiene prophylaxis dietetics obstetrics gyncology symptomatology jurisprudence toxicology diagnosis and theory and practice of drugless therapeutics as taught by the school or schools of which the applicant is a graduate

Upon the successful passing of said examinations by any applicant and the approval by a majority of the members of the board the board shall issue a license entitling him or her to practice the particular system or systems of drugless therapeutics in which he or she has qualified said certificate to be signed by the president and secretary of the board attested by the seal thereof No higher standard shall be required of any applicant than that existing at the time of his or her matriculation into the school from which the diploma was obtained

Any person holding a diploma or diplomas issued to him or her from a legally chartered school or schools of drugless therapeutics approved by the board who has been engaged in the practice of any system or systems of drugless therapeutics in this State for a period of six months prior to the approval of this act who shall within sixty days from approval of this act apply to the board on the form provided by the board for a license to continue the practice of such system or systems in this State and shall satisfy the board as to his or her moral character and professional standing shall on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars receive from the said board a license to practice in this State the system or systems of drugless therapeutics in which he or she has thus qualified

Any person not a holder of a diploma from a legally chartered school or schools of drugless therapeutics approved by the board who has been engaged in the practice of any system or systems of drugless therapeutics for more than three years who shall within sixty days from approval of this act apply to the board on the form provided by the board for a license to continue the practice of such system or systems in this State and who shall satisfy the board as to his or her moral character shall after the passage of the examination as set forth in section three of this act and on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars receive from the said board a license to practice in this State the system or systems of drugless therapeutics in which he or she has thus qualified

All licenses issued under the provisions of this act shall plainly state the particular system or systems of drugless therapeutics in which the practitioner is licensed and any person practicing any system of drugless therapeutics in this State without a license as provided in this act shall be subject to the penalties hereinafter prescribed

The board may refuse to grant a license to any person guilty of a crime involving moral turpitude or any person addicted to the liquor or drug habit to such a degree as to render him or her in the opinion of a majority of the board unfit to practice and may after notice and hearing revoke the license theretofore granted for any such cause and any person after such refusal of license who shall attempt or any person after revocation of license who shall continue the practice of drugless therapeutics shall be subject to the penalties hereinafter prescribed

Drugless practitioners duly licensed as herein provided shall have in the practice or conduct of their profession all the rights to practice drugless therapeutics as taught and practiced in a legally incorporated reputable college of drugless therapeutics and shall observe and be subject to all State and municipal regulations relating to the control of contagious diseases and deaths and shall have the right to report and certify births and deaths to the proper officers and departments

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 4, line 10, by striking out "for."
Amend section 3, page 4, line 12, by striking out "gyncology," and inserting in lien thereof "gynecology."
Amend section 3, page 5, line 2, by striking out "approvel" and inserting in lien thereof "approval."
Amend section 3, by inserting at the end of the first paragraph, the following:
"Each of which shall be of not less than thirty-two weeks of not less than thirty-five hours each week of actual work in didatic laboratory and clinical study in different calendar years."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 4 The examinations of the bureau shall be held in the City of Harrisburg Pennsylvania on the second Monday of June of each year and the second Monday of December of each year

Section 5 For the purpose of defining drugless therapeutics as included in this act it is hereby declared to be any treatment adapted to assist nature in the relief and

cure of diseases and infirmity without the use of drugs Provided nothing within this act shall be construed to affect practitioners of medicine or surgery osteopathy Christian science massage as applied by barbers Turkish or Russian bath houses dentistry or chiropody

Section 6 All fees and penalties collected as provided by this act shall be paid to the treasurer of the board to be held by him as a fund to pay on a warrant signed by the president and secretary the necessary expenses of the members and officers of said board in the discharge of their duties and to enforce this law

No expenses shall be created to exceed the income of fees and penalties collected as herein provided The salaries shall be fixed by the board but shall not exceed fifteen dollars per day for actual services per member in addition to railroad and hotel expenses

Section 7 Any person hereafter commencing or continuing the practice of drugless therapeutics in any of its branches in this State without first having obtained and filed the license herein provided or who having obtained a license and the same having been revoked by said board as provided for in section three of this act contrary to the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished for the first offence by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period of not less than thirty days or by both fine and imprisonment and for each subsequent offence the punishment shall be double that of the preceding one

Section 8 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby expressly repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act regulating the practice of drugless therapeutics defining the same creating a board of licensure therefor and means and methods whereby the right to practice drugless therapeutics in any of its branches may be obtained and exemptions therefrom providing penalties for violation thereof and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 6, by striking out "violation" and inserting in lien thereof "violations."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Mr. PHILLIPS. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation for the purposes of a hearing.

Mr. EBY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I would just like to say a word on that motion. This bill was introduced by me and is known as the drugless therapeutic bill. It was up before the House in 1915, and this session, before it was introduced, I had a talk with nearly every physician in the House, and the Public Health and Sanitation Committee had a hearing and the State Medical Licensure Board and people from all over the State attended the hearing. It was agreed that the bill should come out and come up to third reading when it would be made a special order. The members of this House who are physicians and who are violently opposed to this bill have agreed that it should be given a fair and square hearing on the floor of the House, and the motion to recommit this bill for the purpose of giving it a hearing is a surreptitious desire to do something that is not square, and I ask the House to vote down the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was not agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1253, as follows:

A Joint Resolution petitioning the government of the United States and the Secretary of War to rescind or modify the order of the Department of War requiring the raising of certain bridges over the Allegheny River

Whereas The Department of War of the United States Government has taken action requiring the City of Pittsburgh to elevate certain bridges over the Allegheny River about four feet and

Whereas Within the last two years the City of Pittsburgh has at a large expense to the city and abutting property owners graded and raised from one to three and one-half feet the grades of fifth seventh eighth ninth Federal Duquesne Way Penn Avenue and other streets to conform with the present grade of these bridges and

Whereas The enforcement of the order of the Department of War would entail a cost and loss to the City of Pittsburgh and to its merchants of a sum of not less than fifty million dollars and

Whereas Said bridges do not at present interfere with the traffic on said river and boats can be built small enough and of sufficient power to handle all traffic on said river and which can safely pass beneath said bridges therefore

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania does hereby petition the Government of the United States and the Secretary of War to take such action as may be just in the premises tending to rescind this order of the Secretary of War or to modify the same in such manner as to prevent the saddling of this enormous cost on the City of Pittsburgh and its citizens

Section 2 The Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby instructed to forward copies of this resolution to the President of the United States to the Senate of the United States to the House of Representatives of the United States and to the Secretary of War

And said bill having been read at length the second time,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1253, File Folio 1939, be stricken from the calendar.

Mr. JACK. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, as I understand it, the sponsor of this bill is not present in the House, having been called home on account of illness, and I believe that in courtesy to the gentleman from Allegheny the gentleman from Armstrong should withdraw the motion to strike the bill from the calendar until such time as the sponsor of the bill is here to defend it. I hope the gentleman will do that.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, I have been reliably informed that the gentleman from Allegheny, the sponsor of this bill, is not likely to be here again this session. Now, if that is the fact, and the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. McCaig, wishes to assume the sponsorship of this bill and call it up, I do not believe that I am showing any discourtesy. If the bill had not been called up at all, it would have been an entirely different question. I want to say in support of my motion that we have been fighting along the Allegheny river for years in order to have the government improve it. The Secretary of War, Mr. Baker, has ordered the bridges raised on the Allegheny river in order to loosen the appropriation which has been made for the improvement of the Allegheny river. We have voted here within the last few days on a resolution asking the State Highway Department to improve the trunk lines and main roads of this State so that we can have easy transportation for the soldiers and supplies in case of war. The Secretary of War has seen fit for the same purpose to ask that the bridges on the Allegheny river, all those bridges which are too low to allow transportation, to be raised for the same purpose. It is a question of whether we are going to be consistent or not, or hamper the War Department in improving possibly the only outlet they will have for the transportation of supplies and men into Pittsburgh from the headquarters of the Allegheny river, providing anything should happen which will require that. I do not want to show any discourtesy to any member of this House, and if the gentleman from Allegheny who has called up this bill is not going to assume the sponsorship of the bill, then I will be glad to withdraw my motion.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman is not correctly informed when he makes the statement that the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Sullivan, will not be here during the

balance of the session. He was called home last night and will be here on Monday night.

Mr. MILLIRON. Mr. Speaker, taking the statement of the gentleman from Allegheny to be as truthful as I know all his statements to have been in the past, I will withdraw my motion.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

It was agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1241, entitled

An Act requiring the courts of quarter sessions to file their reasons for revoking or refusing to renew existing liquor licenses requiring compensation to be paid the holder of the license or owner of the premises upon the revocation or refusal thereof in certain cases by the county and vesting in the court of common pleas jurisdiction in such cases

The first, second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the courts of quarter sessions of this Commonwealth shall upon the revocation or refusal to renew any liquor licenses previously granted by such court file of record with the order revoking or refusing such license the reasons for such action If the reasons of the court show that the license was revoked or refused for any cause other than a violation of any law of this Commonwealth relating to the sale of liquor or if the license revoked or refused was of a place conducted or under the control or charge of a tenant or lessee and the owner or lessor of the premises was not a party to such violation nor had any knowledge or reasonable cause to have knowledge thereof the holder of such license or the owner of the premises as the case may be shall be compensated and reimbursed by the county upon the basis and in the manner hereinafter prescribed

Section 2 The holder of the revoked or refused license or the owner of the premises shall within sixty days after the revocation or refusal file with the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of the county an application for compensation under the provisions of this act Such application shall be accompanied by an inventory under oath of the fixtures and personal property which in the cases of breweries distilleries and wholesale establishments shall include all machinery apparatus and appliances used in connection with the business for which said license shall have been granted and which were in the possession of the licensee or lessee on the date of the revocation or refusal of such license Whether the applicant for compensation under this act is the holder of the license or the owner of the premises regard shall be had in all cases to his legal interest in the premises or trade fixtures and other personal property used in connection with the business so licensed also for the unexpired portion of the license and the effect such revocation or refusal will have on the value of real estate The amount of compensation to be paid by the county shall be determined after a hearing upon said application by the court of common pleas wtihin six (6) months from the date of filing said application The said court of common pleas shall appoint three (3) disinterested persons to appraise the real estate good will and personal property used in connection with the business for which said license shall have been granted who shall verify the inventory filed by the applicant and appraise the property scheduled therein and who shall within fifteen (15) days from the date of their appointment file a sworn appraisement of the real estate good will and personal property with the prothonotary Hearings upon said application shall be had as in other cases in accordance with the rules of court as may be adopted to carry out the provisions of this act

Any applicant for compensation hereunder who may feel aggrieved at the compensation awarded him may appeal therefrom to the Superior or Supreme Court Such appeal shall be taken and prosecuted in the same manner and form and with the same effect as is provided in other cases of appeal to the Superior or Supreme Courts respectively

Section 3 Exclusive jurisdiction is hereby vested in the courts of common pleas in the several counties of this Commonwealth to determine the amount of compensation upon the basis herein designated and which the county shall pay the holder of any liquor license or owner of the premises as aforesaid under and subject to such rules of court as may be adopted to carry out the provisions hereof

Section 4 The holder of the license shall be entitled to receive from the county a sum equal to the invoice prices of merchandise in stock and in his possession on the date of the termination of the license and in case the licensee shall be the owner of the premises or if not then the owner thereof shall be entitled to receive a sum representing the difference in value of the real estate occupied by said licensee or lessee and used in connection with the business for which said license shall have been granted together with the good will and trade fixtures which in the cases of breweries distilleries and wholesale establishments shall include all machinery apparatus and appliances and other personal property appertaining to and located upon the licensed premises or used in connection with the business for which said license shall have been granted immediately before the termination of the license and the value of said real estate trade fixtures and other personal property immediately after the termination of said license

The title was read as follows:

An Act requiring the courts of quarter sessions to file their reasons for revoking or refusing to renew existing liquor licenses requiring compensation to be paid the holder of the license or owner of the premises upon the revocation or refusal thereof in certain cases by the county and vesting in the court of common pleas jurisdiction in such cases

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. URICH. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 1, by striking out "session" and inserting in lieu thereof "sessions."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1181, as follows:

An Act making the fraudulent conversion of property or the proceeds of property a misdemeanor prescribing the penalties therefor and regulating the proceedure therein

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Gtneral Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person having received or having possession in any capacity or by any means or manner whatever of any money or property of any kind whatsoever of or belonging to any other person firm or corporation is entitled to receive and have who fraudulently withholds converts or applies the same or any part thereof or the proceeds or any part of the proceeds derived from the sale or other disposition thereof to and for his own use and benefit or to and for the use and benefit of any other person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five years or either or both in the discretion of the court

Section 2 The offence specified in this act may be joined in the same bill of indictment with any other felony or misdemeanor arising out of the same transaction or transactions and there may be included in the same indictments as many counts as there are separate and distinct misdemeanors hereunder committed against the same person firm or corporation

Section 3 It is the true intent and meaning of this act to define and punish a distinct and separate misdemeanor and this act shall in no wise repeal or alter any statute relating to any felony or misdemeanor heretofore defined and punished by the laws of this Commonwealth

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1133, as follows:

An Act to enable any city town borough or township owning and operating its own water works to require a water-meter to be installed upon every property supplied from such water works at the expense of the owner thereof and providing that the cost of and charge for installing such water-meter shall be a lien upon such property with the same priority and enforceable in the same manner as a municipal claim

Section 1 Bt it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act the municipal authorities of every city town borough and township within this Commonwealth which now owns and operates or may hereafter acquire or construct and operate its own water-works shall have the power to dequire the owner or owners of every separate property supplied from such water works to install a water meter to be installed upon and for such property

Section 2 The municipal authorities of any city town borough or township aforesaid may require the owner of every property upon and for which a water-meter is installed to pay the reasonable cost of and charge for installing such meter at such times and in such amounts as the said authorities shall prescribe Such cost and charge shall be a lien upon the property upon and for which the water-meter shall have been installed

Section 3 Liens for cost of and charges for installing water-meters shall have the same priority and shall be enforceable in the same manner as municipal claims under the act entitled "An Act providing when how upon what property and to what extent liens shall be allowed for taxes and for municipal improvements and for the removal of nuisances the procedure upon claims filed therefore the methods for preserving such liens and enforcing payment of such claims the effect of judicial sales of the properties liened and the manner of distributing the proceeds of such sales" approved the fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and one its amendments and supplements and any other acts relating to the collection of municipal claims

Section 4 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1101 (Senate Bill No. 364), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of road viewers and surveyors in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirtieth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1103 (Senate Bill No. 366), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to encourage the destruction of foxes in the Counties of Allegheny, Cambria, York, Mercer, Union, Huntingdon, Luzerne and Schuylkill," approved the fourth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two in so far as the same relates to the County of Allegheny.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1102 (Senate Bill No. 365), entitled

An Act to repeal section one of an act, entitled "An Act to regulate the price of supporting the prisoners in the county jail in Allegheny," approved the eighth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1105 (Senate Bill No. 371), entitled

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act for the reformation and employment of vagrants, drunkards and other disorderly persons in the County of Allegheny," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1107 (Senate Bill No. 373), entitled

An Act to repeal sections two and three of an act, entitled "An Act to confer on Alexander Thomas and Budd Jones and Emma Downing, of Allegheny County, the rights and privileges and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, in relation to a tax on dogs in the said County of Allegheny, incorporating the West Newton and Braddock's Field Plank Road Company, relative to fishing with nets in the Monongahela River, authorizing constables to serve civil process in Germantown, relative to miners in Schuylkill County, legitimatizing James C. Collins, relative to the premium on fox scalps in the County of York," approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which said sections relate to the taxation of dogs in Allegheny County

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1106 (Senate Bill No. 372), entitled

An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act supplementary to an act passed January twenty-ninth one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three authorizing the commissioners and controller of Allegheny County to compromise with the holders of the bonds of said county" approved the twenty-second day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1108 (Senate Bill No. 377), entitled

An Act amending the twelfth section of an act, entitled "An Act relating to practice in the courts of common pleas in actions of assumpsit and trespass, except actions for libel and slander; prescribing the pleadings and procedure to be observed therein, and giving the courts power to enforce its provisions," approved the fourteenth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, providing that counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and other municipalities shall not be required to file affidavits of defense.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1096 (Senate Bill No. 286), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to provide for retirement of State employes, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their official functions and duties, with half pay, under certain conditions, during the remainder of their lives, except State employes whose retirement has been or shall be otherwise provided for, and the filling of vacancies caused by such retirement," approved the 14th day of June, A. D. 1915, so as to extend the operation thereof to all employes in penitentiaries and other institutions operated by the Commonwealth as well as those more directly in the service thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move the bill just read, House Bill No. 1096 (Senate Bill No. 286), be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary General for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1040 (Senate Bill No. 213), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of counties cities boroughs townships school districts and other incorporated districts held pursuant to the provisions of an act approved the 20th day of April, 1874, entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments thereto and validating bonds issued or authorized to be issued in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered. To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1041 (Senate Bill No. 317), entitled

An Act validating certain elections of boroughs towns and townships held to determine the question of becoming a city of the third class and validating letters patent issued in pursuance of such elections.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1042 (Senate Bill No. 318), entitled

An Act to amend sections one three and five of article three of an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred thirteen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1098 (Senate Bill No. 352), entitled

An Act to validate acts done by corporations before the recording of their charters.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1043 (Senate Bill No. 342), entitled

A Supplement to an act approved the fifth day of June one thousand nine hundred thirteen entitled "An Act regulating the operation of motor-boats and providing a penalty" giving the Board of Commissioners of Navigation jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1100 (Senate Bill No. 356), entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section eight of article sixteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 335 (Senate Bill No. 50), entitled

An Act to facilitate the labors of the judges learned in the law of the courts of common pleas and orphans' courts of the several counties of the State by providing suitable clerical assistance.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 956 (Senate Bill No. 117), entitled

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of common pleas of this Commonwealth to decree the dissolution of certain corporations in certain cases and to order the sale of their real estate and make distribution of the proceeds thereof approved the twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three (Pamphlet Laws, page seventy-nine) by providing that the petition praying for dissolution may be by any owner or owners of capital stock and providing for publication of notice in the proper legal periodical.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 479, as follows:

An Act relating to drugs regulating the possession control dealing in sale dispensing distribution prescription trafficking in or giving away of certain drugs regulating the use of drugs in the cure of the drug habit and providing penalties

Section 1 Bt it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That except as limited in section two of this act the word "drug" as used in this act shall mean (a) opium or (b) coca leaes or (c) any compound or derivative of opium or coca leaves or (d) any substance or preparation containing opium or coca leaves or (e) any substance or preparation containing any compound or derivative or opium or coca leaves

Section 2 The word "drug" shall not be held to include (1) preparations and remedies and compounds which do not contain more than two grains of opium or more than one-fourth of a grain of morphine or more than one-eighth of a grain of heroin or more than one grain of codeine or any salt or derivative of any of them in one fluid ounce if the same is a liquid or if a solid or semi-solid in one avoirdupois ounce (2) liniments ointments or other preparations which are prepared for external use

only except liniments ointments and preparations which contain cocaine or any of its salts or alpha or beta eucaine of any of their salts or any synthetic substitute for cocaine or eucaine or their salts (3) Decocainized coca leaves or preparations made therefrom or other preparations of coca leaves which do not contain cocaines This limitation on the scope of this act applies only where such preparations or remedies are possessed sold distributed given away prescribed or dispensed bona fide as medicines and not for the purpose of evading the provisions of this act

Section 3 The word "person as used in this act includes an individual a copartnership or a corporation or an association Masculine words include the feminine or neuter The singular includes the plural

The word "prescription" means a prescription calling for a drug or for any substance or preparation containing a drug

Section 4 It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession or under his control or to deal in dispense sell distribute prescribe traffic in or give away any "drug" as defined in section one of this act This section does not apply in the regular course of their business profession employment occupation or duties to (a) A manufacturer of a "drug" (b) A person engaged in the wholesale "drug" trade (c) An importer or exporter of "drugs" (d) A registered pharmacist actually engaged as a retail druggist (e) A bona fide owner of a pharmacy or drug store (f) A licensed physician (g) A licensed dentist (h) A practicing veterinarian (i) A person in the employ of a manufacturer or importer or exporter of any of the drugs specified in section one or in the employ of a person engaged bona fide in the wholesale drug trade or a registered pharmacist actually engaged as a retail druggist (j) Any person in the employ of the United States or of this Commonwealth or of any county municipality or township and having such drugs in his possession by reason of his official duties (k) Any ware-houseman or common carrier engaged bona fide in handling or transporting any drug in the course of their respective business (1) Rny employe of any warehouseman or common carrier having any drug in his possession only in the regular course of his employment (m) Any person regularly in charge of drugs in any dispensary hospital asylum sanitarium poor house jail penitentiary or other institution where sick or defective persons are treated (n) A nurse under the supervision of a physician

This section does not prohibit any person from having a drug in his possession if he has the same for his own personal use only and has obtained it by reason of a prescription given him for his own use by a physician or dentist in good faith

Section 5 It shall be unlawful for any manufacturer producer importer exporter or person engaged in the wholesale drug trade and regularly selling drugs to sell dispense distribute or give away any of the drugs enumerated in the first section of this act except to (a) A duly licensed physician (b) A duly licensed pharmacist (c) A duly licensed dentist (d) A duly licensed veterinarian (e) A manufacturer of drugs (f) A person engaged in the wholesale drug trade and regularly selling drugs (g) An exporter of drugs (h) a bona fide hospital or dispensary or asylum or sanitarium (i) A public institution (j) A bona fide owner of a pharmacy or drug store (k) Any person in any foreign country Any person in charge of a laboratory where such drugs are used for the purpose of medical research only (m) The captain or proper officer of a ship upon which no regular physician is employed for the actual medical needs of the officers and crew of such ship only

It shall be unlawful for any manufacturer producer importer or person engaged in the wholesale drug trade and regularly selling drugs to sell dispense distribute or give and drug except in puruance of a written order of the person to whom such drug is sold dispensed distributed or given Such order shall be preserved for a period of two years in such a way that it will be readily accessible to inspection by the proper authorities

Section 6 It shall be unlawful for any registered pharmacist or a bona fide owner of a pharmacy or drug store regularly engaged in the sale of drugs at retail to sell dispense distribute or give away any drugs except to (a) another registered pharmacist or bona fide owner of pharmacy or drug store (b) a duly licensed physician (c) a duly licensed dentist (d) a duly licensed veterinarian (e) a bona fine hospital or dispensary or asylum or sanitarium (f) a public institution (g) an individual in pursuance of a written prescription issued by a physician dentist or veterinarian Such prescription shall be dated as of the day on which signed and shall be signed by the physician dentist or veterinarian who issued the same (h) any person in charge of a laboratory where such drugs are used for the purpose of medical research only (i) the captain or proper officer of a ship upon which no regular physician is employed for the actual medical needs of the officers and crew of such ship only

It shall be unlawful for any registered pharmacist or a bona fide owner of a pharmacy or drug store regularly engaged in the sale of drugs at retail to sell dispense distribute or give away any drug except in pursuance of a written order of the person to whom such drug is sold dispensed distributed or given Such order shall be preserved for a period of two years in such a way that it will be readily accessible to inspection by the proper authorities When such drugs are sold dispensed distributed or given to an individual in pursuance of a prescription such prescription shall be regarded as the written order herein required and no further written order shall be necessary

Section 7 It shall be unlawful for any practicing physician or any practicing dentist to sell dispense distribute give or prescribe any drug to any person known to such physician or dentist to be an habitual user of such drug unless the drug is prescribed or dispensed for the cure or treatment of some malady other than the drug habit

If any physician desires to undertake in good faith the cure of the habit of taking or using opium or any of its salts or derivatives in any form such physician may prescribe or dispense opium or its derivatives to a patient provided such opium or its derivatives are prescribed or dispensed in good faith for the purpose of curing such patient of such habit and not merely for the purpose of satisfying a craving for the drug In every such case the physician shall himself make a physical examination of the patient and shall report such in writing to the proper officer of the board of health of the city borough town or township in which he resides or to the State Department of Health where there is no local board of health the name and address of such patient together with his diagnosis of the case and the amount and nature of the drug prescribed or dispensed in the first treatment When the patient leaves his care such physician shall report in writing to said officer of the board of health or to the State Department of Health

Any person divulging any information contained in any such report except for the purpose of enforcing this act or a practicing physician who may in the opinion of the chief of the board of health or of the Commissioner of Health be entitled to such information for the purpose of enabling him to comply with the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding one year or both in the discretion of the court

Section 8 It shall be unlawful for any practicing veterinarian to sell dispense distribute give or prescribe any drug for the use of a human being

Section 9 Every physician dentist or veterinarian shall keep a record of all drugs dispensed or distributed by him showing the amount dispensed or distributed the date and the name and address of the patient an in the case of a veterinarian the name and address of the owner of the animal to whom such drugs are dispensed or distributed Such record shall be kept for two years from the date of dispensing or distributing such drugs and shall be open to inspection by the proper authorities o record need be kept of any drug dispensed or distributed to a patient upon whom such physician dentist or veterinary surgeon shall personally attend

Section 10 This act shall not apply to the treatment of habitual users of drugs in public hospitals sanitariums institutions poor houses or prisons

Section 11 Any person violating or faling to comply with any of the provisions of this act except as provided in the last paragraph of section eight shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five years or both at the discretion of the court If the violation is by a corporation copartnership or association the officers and directors of such corporation or the members of such copartnership or association their agents and employes with guilty knowledge of the fact shall also be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished as aforesaid

Section 12 In any prosecution under this act it shall not be necessary to negative any of the exemptions of this act in any complaint information or indictment The burden of proving any exemption under this act shall be upon the defendant

Section 13 The provisions of this act shall be enforced by the Department of Health of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and for that purpose the Commissioner of Health is hereby authorized to establish in the Department of Health a bureau or division for such purpose and to employ such assistants stenographers inspectors clerks and other employes as in his opinion may be necessary and to fix their compensation For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act the Commissioner of Health and his assistants either in said bureau or division or any other bureau or division of his Department shall have the right to examine at any time any or all of the records required by this act to be kept and the Commissioner of Health may further require persons dealing in buying selling handling or giving away drugs to make such reports to him or to the bureau as he may deem necessary or advisable

Section 14 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill just read, House Bill No. 479, be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1248, entitled

An Act requiring all persons hunting for game to wear red coats or red caps or hats and providing penalties for violations.

The first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt game within this Commonwealth unless such person shall wear a red coat or a red hat or red cap or either one or both

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars ($25,000)

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 1, line 10, by striking out ($25,000) and inserting in lieu thereof ($25.00):

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The third section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 3 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

An Act requiring all persons hunting for game to wear red coats or red caps or hats and providing penalties for violations.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1249, entitled

An Act prohibiting state agents and employes from acting as guidles to hunters and fishermen and from boarding or lodging hunters and fishermen during certain periods of time and providing penalties for violations.

The first, second and third sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That hereafter it shall be unlawful for any agent or employe of the Game Commission or of the Fish Commission or of the Department of Forestry or of any other Department of the State Government to act as a guide to any hunter or fisherman in the Commonwealth or to lodge or board any hunter or fisherman on State property either for a money consideration or for any other reason during the open season for game or fish

Section 2 Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for the first offense and to a discharge from State service for the second offense

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act prohibiting state agents and employes from acting as guidles to hunters and fishermen and from boarding or lodging hunters and fishermen during certain periods of time and providing penalties for violations.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, line 3, by striking out "hunter" and inserting "hunters."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will ths House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

MR. FLYNN IN THE CHAIR.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1032, as follows:

An Act validating certain proceedings and elections of any town township or borough held to submit and determine the question of becoming a city of the third class held pursuant to an act entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen as amended by the act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and validating letters patent issued or to be issued in pursuance thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all proceedings and elections heretofore had or held by any town township or borough within this Commonwealth to be came a city of the third class under act act of Assembly entitled "An Act providing for the incorporation regulation and government of cities of the third class regulating nomination and election of municipal officers therein and repealing consolidating and extending existing laws in relation thereto" approved the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-eight) as amended by the act approved the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and six) where a proper petition duly signed by the requisite number of qualified electors praying the submission of the question of whether any such town township or borough shall become a city of the third class to the qualified electors thereof has been submitted to the proper municipal authorities thereof who approved of the prayer of said petition recorded such approval upon the minutes and gave notice by publication of said approval during four weeks immediately prior to the then next general election in all of the newspapers published in said town township or borough giving notice that such election would be held at the next general general election and certified the same to the county commissioners of the proper county and said county commissioners thereupon caused the said question to be printed upon the official ballot as provided for in said act and where the majority of the votes cast at such election was in favor of becoming a city of the third class be and the same are hereby ratified confirmed and made valid notwithstanding the authorities of such town township or borough failed to strictly comply with the requirements of the act in passing recording on their minutes advertising and certifying to the county commissioners the resolution submitting the question of whether such town township or borough should become a third class city to the qualified electors thereof

Section 2 All letters patent issued or to be issued by the Governor in pursuance to every such election are hereby made valid with the same force and effect as if the terms of said act had been strictly complied with

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered on committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 991, entitled

An Act authorizing and empowering the State Highway Commissioner to take over abandoned rights of way or any part or parts thereof owned or controlled by railroad or railway companies for the use of the State Highway Department for the purpose of locating or re-locating and

constructing State Highways and providing a method of acquiring the same.

The first section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the State Highway Commissioner be and is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire as hereinafter provided any abandoned right of way of railroad or railway companies or part or parts thereof for a public highway and a part of the State Highway system and to take over for the State Highway Department any such abandoned right of way or any part or parts thereof owned or controlled by any railroad or railway company for the purpose of locating or relocating and constructing such as State Highways

The second section was read as follows:

Section 2 When it is desired to locate or relocate a State Highway upon such abandoned right of way or portion thereof it shall be the duty of the State Highway Commissioner for and in behalf of the Commonwealth by amicable agreement at a fair and reasonable price which shall be approved by the Governor to purchase said right of way or part thereof as may be necessary for the locating and constructing of said State Highway from the owner or owners thereof

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 2, page 2, line 10, by stricking out "the."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 In like manner it shall purchase any right title or interest of any individuals or corporations in and to any part or portion of the lands forming any part of said right of way and if a fair and reasonable price to be approved by the Governor for such part interest in such lands cannot be agreed upon it shall then be lawful for the State Highway Commissioner to secure any right title or interest of any individual or corporation in and to the land forming part of such right of way by condemnation proceedings under the methods of procedure provided in the ninth section of the act of May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred and sixty-eight) and the amendments and supplements thereto

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 2, line 12, by striking out "it" and inserting in lieu thereof "the State Highway Commissioner."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The fourth section was read as follows:

Section 4 The amount agreed upon for the purchase of said right of way or part thereof as provided in section two or for the right title and interest of any individual or corporation therein or as determined by virtus of condemnation proceedings as provided in section three hereof shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrant of the Auditor General from funds appropriated to the said State Highway Department for the purposes of location maintenance and repairs of State highways in accordance with the procedure for payment of moneys and damages by the State Highway Department as set forth in act of Assembly approved May thirty-one one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-eight) and supplements thereto

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. DAWSON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 4, page 3, line 1, by strinking out "tus" and inserting in lien thereof "tue."

Amend section 4, page 3, line 8, by inserting "said" before "act."

Amend section 4, page 3, line 10, by inserting "amendments and" before "supplements."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fifth section and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 5 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

An Act authorizing and empowering the State Highway Commissioner to take over abandoned rights of way or any part or parts thereof owned or controlled by railroad or railway companies for the use of the State Highway Department for the purpose of locating or re-locating and constructing State Highways and providing a method of acquiring the same.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1147, as follows:

An Act validating certain satisfactions of mortgages heretofore entered in good faith at the instance of the mortgagee

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That all satisfactions of mortgages heretofore entered in good faith at the instance of any mortgagee on the record of any mortgage by virtue of an authorization acknowledging the receipt of the amount due on the mortgage or in any other manner other than by a satisfaction entered by the mortgagee personally or by the recorder of deeds acting under a letter or power of attorney duly executed and acknowledged are hereby declared to be good and valid and to operate as a complete satisfaction of such mortgage in like manner as if such mortgage had been personally satisfied by the mortgagee on the margin of the record as provided by law

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 689, as follows:

An Act regulating the speed of power driven vehicles run on or over the public bridges of this Commonwealth and providing the punishment for violators thereof

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive or cause to be driven on or over any public bridge of this Commonwealth any power driven vehicle with a gross weight of four tons or more at a greater rate of speed than six miles per hour

Section 2 Any person offending against any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or both or either in the discretion of the court

Section 3 All acts or parts of acts general special or local inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 794, as follows:

An Act to provide for the extradition of persons of unsound mind and to make uniform the laws of the States which enact the same

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That this act may be cited as the Uniform Act for the Extradition of Persons of Unsound Mind

Section 2 (Definition of Terms) The terms "flight" and "fled" as used in this act shall be construed to mean any voluntary or involuntary departure from the jurisdiction of the court where the proceedings hereinafter mentioned may have been instituted and are still pending with the effect of avoiding impeding or delaying the action of the court in which such proceedings may have been instituted or be pending or any such departure from the State where the person demanded then was if he then was under detention by law as a person of unsound mind and subject to detention The word "state" wherever used in this act shall include states territories districts and insular and other possessions of the United States As applied to a request to return any person within the purview of this act to or from the District of Columbia the words "executive authority" "Governor" and "Chief Magistrate" respectively shall include a justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia and other authority

Section 3 (Persons Subject to the Act) A person alleged to be of unsound mind found in this state who has fled from another state in which at the time of his flight

(a) He was under detention by law in a hospital asylum or other institution for the insane as a person of unsound mind or

(b) He had been theretofore determined by legal proceedings to be of unsound mind the finding being unreversed and in full force and effect and the control of his person having been acquired by the court of competent jurisdiction of the state from which he fled or

(c) He was subject to detention in such state being then his legal domicile (personal service of process having been made) based on legal proceedings there pending to have him declared of unsound mind

shall on demand of the executive authority of the state from which he fled be delivered up to be removed thereto

Section 4 (Procedure) Whenever the executive authority of any state demands of the executive authority of this state any fugitive within the purview of section three and produces a copy of the commitment decree or other judicial process and proceedings certified as authentic by the Governor or chief magistrate of the state whence the person so charged has fled with an affidavit made before a proper officer showing the person to be such a fugitive it shall be the duty of the executive authority of this state to cause him to be apprehended and secured if found in this state and to cause immediate notice of the apprehension to be given to the executive authority making such demand or to the agent of such authority appointed to receive the fugitive and to cause the fugitive to be delivered to such agent when he shall appear If no such agent appears within thirty days from the time of the apprehension the fugitive may be discharged All costs and expenses incurred in the apprehending securing maintaining and transmitting such fugitive to the state making such demand shall be paid by such state Any agent so appointed who receives the fugitive into his custody shall be empowered to transmit him to the state from which he has fled The executive authority of this state is hereby vested with the power on the application of any person interested to demand the return to this state of any fugitive within the purview of this act

Section 5 (Limitation) Any proceedings under this act shall be begun within one year after the flight referred to in this act

Section 6 (Interpretation) This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effectuate its general purposes

Section 7 (Repeal) All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 853, entitled

An Act requiring the Commonwealth, and all counties thereof and all public institutions owned, managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof, to purchase supplies and certain materials from State correctional institutions; providing for the administration of this act by the Prison Labor Commission and others; and making it unlawful under certain circumstances for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or any County Controller or the Treasurer of any Public Institutions to approve any bill for such materials or supplies purchased elsewhere.

The first, second, third and fourth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Commonwealth and except as hereinafter otherwise provided all counties thereof and all public institutions owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof shall purchase from a State correctional institution of this Commonwealth all supplies needed by them and all building materials needed for or in connection with the construction or repair of any State or county institution or any materials needed for industrial training or instruction or required in the manufacture and production of crushed stone brick tile culvert pipe or other material used for or in connection with building or draining the roads of the State whenever such materials or supplies or a substantial equivalent thereof can be furnished from such correctional institution

Section 2 On or before the fifteenth day of December of each year the Prison Labor Commission of this Commonwealth shall prepare a list of the classes of supplies and materials which the various State correctional institutions will be prepared to furnish during the year commencing on the first day of January next ensuing A copy of such list shall be mailed by the Prison Labor Commission to the Auditor General of the Commonwealth the controllers or auditors of each county and the treasurer of every public institution owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof and upon application to any officer or department of the State government any county officer board or commission and any officer of a public institution owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth

Section 3 Before purchasing any supplies or any materials mentioned in this act and belonging to any class included in the annual list prepared by the Prison Labor Commission otherwise than from a State correctional institution of this Commonwealth the proper officer of the Commonwealth or except as hereinafter otherwise provided of any county thereof or of any public institution owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof shall on and after the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen inquire of the Prison Labor Commission whether any State correctional institution is able to supply the particular materials or supplies or a substantial equivalent thereof and shall purchase such materials or supplies desired or a substantial equivalent thereof from the State correctional institution designated by the Prison Labor Commission if such materials or a substantial equivalent thereof can be supplied by such State correctional instiution

It shall be the duty of the Prison Labor Commission promptly to reply in writing to all inquiries regarding the supplies and materials manufactured in State correctional institutions

Section 4 The superintendents or other executive heads of the respective State correctional institutions shall subject to the approval of the Prison Labor Commission determine the price of all supplies or materials manufactured or produced therein but in no event shall the price exceed the prevailing market price for similar goods

The fifth section was read as follows:

Section 5 On or before the fifteenth day of October of each year the official or officials whose duty it is to make purchases for the Commonwealth or any public institution owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth shall furnish to the Prison Labor Commission an estimate of the character and quantity of supplies and materials which in the opinion of such official or officials it will be necessary to purchase for such institution for the ensuing year and the official or officials whose duty it is to make purchases for any county or for any pulic institution owned managed and controlled by such county shall furnish to the said Commission a similar estimate of the supplies and materials which such county or such insttiution does not intend to purchae from any jail or workhouse of such county during the ensuing year

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. Ths amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 5, page 4, line 9, by striking out "purchae" and inserting in lien thereof "purchase."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The sixth, seventh and eighth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 6 On and after the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen it shall not be lawful for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or for the county controller or county auditors or for the treasurer of any public institution owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof except as hereinafter otherwise provided to approve any bill for supplies or materials mentioned in this act and belonging to any class included in the annual list prepared by the Prison Labor Commission if purchased otherwise than from a State correctional institution during the year for which such list shall have been prepared unless there shall accompany such bill a letter from the Prison Labor Commission stating that it has been impossible for any state correctional institution of this Commonwealth to supply the particular materials or supplies desired or a substantial equivalent thereof

Section 7 Nothing in this act shall prevent the purchase by any county or by any institution owned managed and controlled by such county of supplies or materials from a jail or workhouse in and for such county nor shall anything in this act prevent bills for the same when so purchased from being paid as heretofore

Section 8 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

The title was read as follows:

An Act requiring the Commonwealth and all counties thereof and all public institutions owned managed and controlled by the Commonwealth or any county thereof to purchase supplies and certain materials from State correctional institutions providing for the administration of this act by the Prison Labor Commissions and others and making it unlawful under certain circumstances for the Auditor General of the Commonwealth or any county controller or the treasurer of any public institutions to approve any bill for such materials or supplies purchased elsewhere

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title, page 1, line 6, by striking out "commissions" and inserting in lien thereof "commission."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the title as amended?

It was agreed to.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 94, as follows:

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred four entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York" (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five) by regulating the term and election of directors of the poor

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the second section of an act approved the sixth day of February one thousand eight hundred four entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the County of York" which reads as follows

"Section 2 And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid that the citizens of York County shall at the next general election after the passing of this act in the manner prescribed for the election of members of the House of Representatives of this Commonwealth elect three reputable citizens of the said county to be directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the County of York and the judges of election of the said county shall immediately on receiving the returns from the several election districts and casing up the number of votes therein or within three days after certify under their hands and seals the names of the directors so chosen to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the said county who shall file the said certificate in his office and forthwith give notice in writing to the said directors of their being elected and the said directors shall meet at the court house in the Borough of York on the first Monday in November next ensuing their election and divide themselves into three classes the place of the first to be vacated at the expiration of the first year of the second at the expiration of the second year and of the third at the expiration of the third year so that those who shall be chosen after the first election and in the mode above prescribed may serve for three years and one-third be annually chosen" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 2 At the municipal election in the year one thousand nine hundred nineteen and quadrennially thereafter the qualified electors of said Couty of York shall elect three duly qualified persons to act as directors of the poor of the county for a term of four years from the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred twenty At such election each elector shall vote for only two candidates for such office The directors of the poor whose term of office expires on the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and eighteen shall serve until the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred twenty

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1310, as follows:

An Act to confer powers upon fire insurance companies

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act any joint stock fire insurance company heretofore organized under any general or special law of this Commonwealth or which may hereafter be organized shall have the power in addition to the powers already possessed to make insurance against loss or damage caused by bombardment

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1237 (Senate Bill No. 573), entitled

An Act authorizing the Department of Forestry to purchase surface rights to lands for use as State Forests

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1039 (Senate Bill No. 180), entitled

An Act granting compensation as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation act of one thousand nine hundred fifteen to the family of the late Joseph McHigh of Weatherly employed as a game warden and killed while in the performance of his duties.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1205 (Senate Bill No. 491), entitled

An Act to amend section two of an act approved the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the election of three directors of the poor, for the County of Schuylkill, at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight, and every third year thereafter; and fixing the salary of the three said directors, to be paid out of the treasury of the County of Schuylkill; and providing for the continuance of the service of the directors now serving."

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1218 (Senate Bill No. 119), entitled

An Act providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of tax collector in boroughs and townships by the county commissioners and repealing certain acts inconsistent therewith

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1204 (Senate Bill No. 490), as follows:

An Act authorizing cities and boroughs to refund moneys paid by property owners into their treasuries when a court of competent jurisdiction shall have determined that there is no liabilitiy for such payment

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any city or borough within this Commonwealth shall have under existing laws paved curbed and guttered or otherwise improved its highways or any of them or has opened or graded or acquired or condemned property in or along its highways or any of them at the expense in whole or in part of the owners of property bounding and abutting thereon and such owners or any number of them shall have paid the assessments levied against them by such city or borough or by viewers for such improvement into the respective treasury the said cities and boroughs are hereby authorized and empowered to refund to the said owners of property or to their heirs or assigns the amount of the assessment thus paid by them if it shall have been determined in any proceeding at law or in equity by a court of competent jurisdiction that the owners of property bounding or abutting on said highway or highways are not liable for the payment of such improvement

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1176 as follows:

An Act providing for the stablishment in cities of the first class of a house or houses of detention for witnesses and untried prisoners for the commitment of such prisoners and witneses thereto and for the payment of the cost of establishing and maintaining the same by the county wherein said cities are situated.

The first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth sections were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that in every city of the first class there shall be established in the manner hereinafter prescribed a house or houses of detention for the reception and detention of all persons charged with crime or held as witnesses in any judicial proceeding

Section 2 Houses of detention established under the provisions of this act shall be under the care management and supervision of a board of managers consisting of five members to be appointed by the board of judges of the courts of oyer and terminer general jail delivery and quarter sessions of the peace of the county wherein said house or houses are established

Section 3 The board of managers provided in this act shall serve without compensation and shall hold office for two years or until their successors are appointed subject to removal by the board of judges appointing them

Section 4 It shall be the duty of said board of managers to select and secure a suitable location in said cities of the first class for said house or houses of detention by leasing or purchasing the same and to erect thereon a suitable house or houses for such purpose Said houses shall be so arranged and constructed that persons therein may have as far as possible a comfortable and separate room for their accommodation and be subject to as little restraint as may be consistent with their safe detention and to this purpose the board of managers are hereby authorized and empowered to make suitable rules and regulations for the government and control of said house or houses of detention and of persons commited thereto said rules and regulations shall be approved by the board of judges appointing said board of managers and no change in said rules and regulations or amendment thereof shall have force and effect until approved in like manner by said board of judges

Section 5 It is hereby declared to be the true purpose an intent of this act that in the county wherein said house or houses are situate all persons held to await trial on any criminal charge or as witnesses shall be committed to such house or houses of detention instead of the county prison as now provided by law and it shall be the duty of all judges magistrates or other officers having power of commitment and they are hereby authorized and directed in making commitments for trial on criminal charges and in holding witnesses in judicial proceedings to commit to said house or houses of detention instead of to the county prison as now provided by law The practice and procedure now established by law for the commitment and detention of prisoners for trial and witnesses shall remain as heretofore except that the place of commitment and detention shall be to the house or houses of detention herein established

Section 6 The cost of procuring a site for and erecting and constructing said house or houses of detention shall be provided for by appropriation by the councils of the city wherein the same shall be located in like manner as the cost of public improvements is now provided for by law Said appropriation shall be made to the county commissioners of the county wherein said city is located and the expenses incurred thereunder shall be itemized and presented with proper vouchers to the said county commissioners who shall be required to pay the same

Section 7 It shall be the duty of said board of managers to appoint a superintendent who shall reside in said house of detention and a sufficient number of persons to maintain order and conduct the affairs thereof The number of appointees shall be approved by the board of judges who shall have power to authorize an increase or reduction thereof from time to time The salary or compensation to be paid said superintendent and appointees shall be fixed by said board of managers and be certified to the county commissioners as the expense of maintaining said house or houses of detention

Section 8 The costs and expenses of maintaining the said house or houses of detention established by this act shall be provided by the respective counties containing the same in the same manner as the costs and expenses of maintaining county prisons are now provided by law

The ninth section was read as follows:

Section 9 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. STERN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 9, page 4, lines 13 and 14 by striking out the entire section and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"Nothing in this act shall be construed to amend or repeal any of the provisions of the act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 601), entitled "An Act to establish in cities of the first and second class a house or houses of detention for delinquent, dependent and neglected children, and providing for the management and maintenance thereof' or the act approved the third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and three (P. L. 137), entitled 'An Act regulating the confinement of children under the age of sixteen years, awaiting trial' as amended, or the act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, (P. L. 711), entitled 'An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, powers, or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein, and appeals therefrom, and providing for the expenses thereof,' the supplements or amendments thereto."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act providing for the stablishment in cities of the first class of a house or houses of detention for witnesses and untried prisoners for the commitment of such prisoners and witneses thereto and for the payment of the cost of establishing and maintaining the same by the county wherein said cities are situated.

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 782 (Senate Bill No. 144), entitled

An Act to amend section fourteen of an act approved the twelfth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred eleven), entitled "An Act establishing a court for the County of Philadelphia; prescribing its jurisdiction and powers; providing for the service of its writs, process or warrants by the proper officers of the County or City of Philadelphia; regulating the procedure therein and appeals therefrom and providing for the expenses thereof."

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 429, as follows:

An Act making an appropriation to the Lebanon Sanatorium of Lebanon Pensylvania.

Whereas Private Albert Greener Company K Fourth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry while on duty at Mount Gretna during the years one thousand nine hundred and thirteen was admitted tothe Lebanon Sanatorium of Lebanon Pennsylvania suffering with appendicitis and

Whereas Said Albert Greener received medical services treatment and board for five weeks at said instituion and

Whereas Said Lebanon Sanatorium of Lebanon Pennsylvania does not receive any State aid from the State of Pennsylvania therefore

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the sum of two hundred and sixty-five ($265) dollars is hereby specifically appropriated to the Lebanon Sanatorum of Lebanon Pennsylvania for the payment of medical services treatment and board for five weeks beginning September sixth one thousand nine hundred and thirteen to Private Albert Greener of Company K fourth Pnnsylvania Volunteer Infantry

Section 2 The amount hereinbefore appropriated shall be paid to the Lebanon Sanatorium on warrant of the Auditor General drawn upon the State Treasurer upon the filing of vouchers duly certified by oath

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1084, as follows:

An Act authorizing J. A. Croup of Concord Township, Butler County Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the court of common pleas of Butler County

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That J. A. Croup of Concord Township Butler County Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Butler County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to recover such sum of money as may be legally or justly due the said J. A. Croup for damages sustained by him to his person or property near Crawford's Corners Pennsylvania on the State highway between Hooker and Emlenton in the said State

Such suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 913, as follows:

An Act authorizing Mildred J. Barclay a resident of the City of Pittsburgh in the County of Allegheny in her own right as well as for the benefit of her minor daughter Mildred J. Barclay to bring suit in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Mildred J. Barclay a resident of the City of Pittsburgh in the County of Allegheny is authorized to bring suit on or before January first one thousand nine hundred eighteen in her own right as well as for the benefit of her minor daughter Mildred J. Barclay in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due to them or either of them arising out of the death on July twenty-first one thousand nine hundred fifteen of George A. Barclay husband of Mildred J. Barclay and father of her said daughter by reason of injuries received by him on May seventh one thousand nine hundred fifteen while in the employ of the Commonwealth in the State Highway Department in traveling upon a State highway Such suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Comonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 923, as follows:

An Act authorizing Edward A. Woods of Edgeworth Allegheny County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Edward A. Woods of Edgeworth Borough Allegheny County Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit or suits either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Allegheny County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Edward A. Woods by reason of injury or damage to his property in Edgeworth Borough Allegheny County Pennsylvania caused or arising from the construction of a certain road by the State Highway Department in the years one thousand nine hundred and twelve and one thousand nine hundred and thirteen known as "Quaker Road" leading from Woodland Road northeastwardly to the Backbone Road in Edgeworth Borough and Sewickley Heights Township Allegheny County Pennsylvania Such suit or suits shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 842, as follows:

An Act authorizing Robert J. McAllister and Ruth McAllister his wife residents of the Borough of Jersey Shore Lycoming County Pennsylvania to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Clinton County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Robert J. McAllister and Ruth McAllister his wife of Lumstable Township Clinton County Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit or suits against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or severally either in law or equity in the court of common pleas of Clinton County to recover such sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due the said Robert J. McAllister and Ruth McAllister or either of them for personal injuries sustained by them or either of them upon the State highway between Lock Haven and Farrandsville near Farrandsville Pennsylvania on the eleventh day of November Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred sixteen Such suit or suits shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other and similar cases between individuals and the defences open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably ot order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1031, as follows:

A Supplement to an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws three hundred and ninety-six entitled "An Act creating a Department of Labor and Industry defining its powers and duties establishing an Industrial Board providing for the appointment of a Commissioner of Labor inspectors statisticians clerks and others to enforce the provisions of this act and providing salaries for the same prescribing a standard of reasonable and adequate protection to be observed in the rooms buildings and places where labor is employed empowering the said Industrial Board to make alter amend and repeal rules and regulations relating thereto transferring the powers and duties of the Department of Factory Inspection to the Department of Labor and Industry and abolishing the Department of Factory Inspector and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act or the rules and regulations of the said board" authorizing the Industrial Board to adopt a seal and providing that certified copies of all records documents and rulings of said board shall be received in evidence

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the Industrial Board of the Department of Labor and Industry is authorized to adopt a seal which shall be in the custody of the secretary of said board Copies of all records documents and rulings of the Industrial Board when certified to by the Chairman of the Board and attested by the secretary of said board under the seal of the Industrial Board shall be received in evidence in the courts of this Commonwealth with the same force and effect as the originals in all cases where the original records documents and rulings of said board would be admitted in evidence

And said bill having been read at length the second time, and agreed to,

Ordered, to be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1137, as follows:

An Act to amend paragraph (e) of section three hundred six of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment establishing an elective schedule of compensation and providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That paragraph (e) of section three hundred six of an act approved the second day of June one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws seven hundred thirty-six) entitled "An Act defining the liabilitiy of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course ofemployment establishing anelective schedule of compensatio nand providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder" which reads as follows

"(e) During the first fourteen days after disability begins the employer shall furinsh reasonable surgical medical and hospital services medicines and supplies as and when needed unless the employe refuses to allow them to be furnished by the employer The cost of such services medicines and supplies shall not exceed twenty-five dollars unless a major surgical operation shall be necessary in which case the cost shall not exceed seventy-five dollars If the employer shall upon application made to him refuse to furnish such services medicines and supplies the employe may procure the same and shall receive from the employer the reasonable cost thereof within the above limitations If the employe shall refuse reasonable surgical medical and hospital services medicines and supplies tendered to him by his employer he shall forfeit all right to compensation for any injury or any increase in his incapacity shown to have resulted from such refusal" is hereby amended to read as follows

(e) After disability begins the employer shall furnish reasonable surgical medical and hospital services medicines and supplies as and when needed unless the employe refuses to allow them to be furnished by the employer The compensation for such medical surgical and hospital services and the cost of medicines and supplies shall not in any case exceed the prevailing charge of the community for like medical or surgical services to other individuals or the usual ward charges for hospital services and in event of a disagreement as to the amount which it is claimed should be paid for such surgical medical and hospital services medicines and supplies the amount or amounts shal be determined by the Workmen's Compensation Board upon the application of either the employer employe doctor surgeon hospital or retail druggist If the employer shall upon application made to him refuse to furnish such services medicines and supplies the employe may procure the same and shall receive from the employer such reasonable amount as the Workmen's Compensation Board shall determine If the employe shall refuse reasonable surgical medical and hospital services medicines and supplies tendered to him by his employer he shall forfeit all right to compensation for any injury or any increase in his incapacity shown to have resulted from such refusal

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1137, File Folio 2077, be recommitted to the Committee on Labor and Industry for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. GLASS. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1278, as follows:

An Act to amend the act approved the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership or possession of shotgun or rifle by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions" by permitting the ownership and possession of rifles by certain unnaturalized foreign-born residents for certain purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of the act approved the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws four hundred sixty-six) entitled "An Act to give additional protection to wild birds and animals and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibiting the hunting for or capture or killing of such wild birds or animals or game by unnaturalized foreign-born residents forbidding the ownership or possession of shotgun or rifle by any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within the Commonwealth and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions" which reads as follows

"Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any unnaturalized foreign-born resident to hunt for or capture or kill in this Commonwealth any wild bird or animal either game or otherwise of any description excepting in defense of person or property and to that end it shall be unlawful for any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within this Commonwealth to either own or be possessed of a shotgun or rifle of any make Each and every person violating any provision of this section shall upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense or undergo imprisonment in the common jail of the county for the period of one day for each dollar of penalty imposed Provided That in addition to the before-named penalty all guns of the before-mentioned kinds found in possession or under control of an unnaturalized foreign-born resident shall upon conviction of such person or upon his signing a declaration of guilt as prescribed by this act be declared forfeited to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall be sold by the Board of Game Commissioners as hereinafter directed" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any unnaturalized foreign-born resident to hunt for or capture or kill in this Commonwealth any wild bird or animal either game or otherwise of any description excepting in defense of person or property and to that end it shall be unlawful for any unnaturalized foreign-born resident within this Commonwealth to either own or be possessed of a shotgun or rifle of any make Each and every person violating any provision of this section shall upon conviction thereof be sentenced to pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense or undergo imprisonment in the common jail of the county for the period of one day for each dollar of penalty imposed Providing That in addition

to the before named penalty all guns of the before-mentioned kind found in possession or under control of an unnaturalized foreign-born resident shall upon conviction of such person or upon his signing a declaration of guilt as prescribed by this act be declared forfeited to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall be sold by the Board of Game Commissioners as hereinafter directed

This act does not prohibit any unnaturalized foreign-born resident of the State who has declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States and who is a member of any organization for military training beneficial to the service of the United States or of this Commonwealth from owning or possessing a rifle for the purposes of such military training

Section 2 That section three of said act which reads as follows

"Section 3 That the possession of a shotgun or rifle at any place outside of building within this Commonwealth by an unnaturalized foreign-born resident shall be conclusive proof of a violation of the provisions of section one of this act and shall render any person convicted thereof liable to the penalty as fixed by said section" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 3 That the possession of a shotgun or rifle at any place outside of building within this Commonwealth by an unnaturalized foreign-born resident except the possession of a rifle by an unnaturalized foreign-born resident of the State who has declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States and who is a member of an organization for military training beneficial to the service of the United States or this Commonwealth shall be conclusive proof of a violation of the provisions of section one of this act and shall render any person convicted thereof liable to the penalty as fixed by said section

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third readign.

BILL RECOMMITTED.

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 1278, File Folio 2081, be recommitted to the Committee on Game for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1139, as follows:

An Act authorizing boroughs with the assent of the electors duly obtained at an election to use moneys borrowed for purposes which have proved impracticable or impossible for any other lawful municipal purpose

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That whenever any borough has increased its indebtedness with the assent of the electors of such borough in accordance with the provisions of an act approved the twentieth day of April one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws sixty-five) entitled "An act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities to provide for the redemption of the same and to impose penalties for the illegal increase thereof" and the amendments and supplements thereto and the purpose for which said increase was asked and assent obtained has proved to be impracticable or impossible the corporate authorities of any such borough may by their ordinance or vote signify a desire to use the money so borrowed for any other lawful municipal purpose and the said moneys so borrowed may be used for such other municipal purpose if the assent of the electors thereto is obtained as herein provided

Section 2 The corporate authorities of any such borough shall give notice during at least thirty days by weekly advertisements in newspapers not exceeding three in the district and if no newspaper be published therein then by at least twenty printed handbills posted in public places in said borough of an election to be held at the place or places of holding the municipal elections on a day to be by them fixed Such notice shall state (a) The date of such election (b) The amount of money theretofore borrowed (c) The purpose for which such money was originally authorized (d) The reason why said money may not be used for the purpose for which it was borrowed (e) The new purpose for which the borough authorities of such borough desire to use said money

A certified copy of the ordinance hereinbefore required and of the above notice shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions

Section 3 The corporate authorities of such borough shall in all cases fix the time of the holding of any such election on the day of the municipal or general election unless more than ninety days elapse between the date of of the ordinance and the day of holding the municipal or general election If any day other than the day of the municipal or general election day is fixed the expense of holding the election shall be paid by the borough

Section 4 Such election shall be held at the place time and under the same regulations as provided by law for the holding of municipal elections and the question to be submitted to the electors shall be in the following form

Shall the sum of.....dollars heretofore borrowed by the borough of.....for the purpose of ..... be used by said borough for the purpose of .....

The ballot shall be prepared in the manner provided by the general election law for the submission of similar questions

Section 5 The election shall be conducted by the regular election officers The election officers shall count the tickets cast at such election and make a return thereof to the clerk of the court of quarter sesions of the county duly certified as is required by law In receiveing and counting and in making returns of votes cast the inspectors clerks and judges of election shall be governed by the laws of this Commonwealth governing municipal elections and the vote shal be counted by the court as is now provided by laws governing municipal elections All penalties of the said election laws for violation thereof are hereby extended to and shall apply tothe voters inspectors judges and clerks voting at and in attendance upon elections held under the provisions ofthis act

Section 6 The clerk of the court shall make a return of the votes cast upon such question as filed in his office to the corporate authorities of such borough and the same shall be placed on record upon the minutes thereof

Section 7 If at such election a majority of the electors shall vote in favor of using said borrowed money for a purpose other than that for which it was originally authorized the said money shall thereafter be used for such new purpose in the same manner as if it had originally been authorized and borrowed for such purpose

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 901, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section seventeen of article two of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof

Amend section seventeen article two of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which reads as follows

"Section 17 Representative Districts The members of the House of Representatives shall be apportioned among the several counties on a ratio obtained by dividing the population of the State as ascertained by the most recent United States census by two hundred and every county containing less than five ratios shall have one representative for every full ratio and an additional representative when the surplus exceeds half a ratio but each county shall have at least one representative Every county containing five ratios or more shall have one representative for every full ratio Every city containing a population equal to a ratio shall elect separately its porportion of the representatives allotted to the county in which it is located Every city entitled to more than four representatives and every county having over one hundred thousand inhabitants shall be divided into districts of compact and contiguous territory each district to elect its proportion of representatives according to its population but no district shall elect more than four representatives" so that it reads as follows

Section 17 The State shall be divided into one hundred representative districts of compact and contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as may be and each district shall be entitled to elect one representative Each county containing one or more ratios of population shall be entitled to one representative for each ratio and to an additional representative for a surplus of population exceeding three-fifths of a ratio but no county shall form a separate district unless it shall contain four-fifths of a ratio except where the adjoining counties are each entitled to one or more representatives when such county may be assigned a representative or less than four-fifths and exceeding one-half of a ratio and no county shall be divided unless entitled to two or more representatives No city or county shall be entitled to separate representation exceeding one-sixth of the whole number of representatives No ward borough or township shall be divided in the formation of a district The representative ratio shall be apportioned by dividing the whole population of the State as ascertained by the most recent United States census by the number one hundred

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 7, by striking out "entilted" and inserting in lieu thereof "entitled."

Amend section 1, page 2, line 25, by striking out "or" and inserting in lieu thereof "on."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title of the bill was read and agreed to as follows:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section seventeen of article two of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1170 as follows:

An Act authorizing R B Taylor of Bellefonte Centre County to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That R B Taylor a citizen of Bellefonte Centre County Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin County against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any sum or sums of money that may be legally or justly due him from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on account of and by reason of a certain contract or agreement entered into the eleventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and twelve and executed by the said Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the said R B Taylor for the improvement of a certain section of road called the National Road in said agreement and located in the County of Washington Pennsylvania

This suit shall be subject to the same rules of pleadings and evidence as in other cases between individuals The right to bring suit hereby given shall not preclude the Commonwealth from raising any defense available to it in the suit hereby authorized

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 892 as follows:

An Act to amend an act approved the twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities and all county or other employes if any paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof and out of the treasury of said cities and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions" including also city and other public employes paid out of the funds of any public commission or private funds

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That sections two three four five six and ten of an act approved the twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred fifteen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred sixty-six) entitled "An Act requiring cities of the first class to establish a pension fund for employes of said cities and all county or other public employes if any paid by appropriation of the city councils thereof and out of the treasury of said cities and regulating the administration and the payment of such pensions" which respectively read as follows

"Section 2 In every such city of the first class there shall be created a board to be known as the Pension Board consisting of the mayor the city treasurer the city controller one member of select council and one member of common council of said city to be selected annually by the respective bodies It shall be the duty of said board to register all persons employed by the said city and all other public employes paid out of the treasury thereof as aforesaid if any and to administer the collection and distribution of the fund herein provided for and to do such acts and make such reasonable rules in the premises as such board may deem necessary to effectually carry into effect the provisions of this act"

"Section 3 Every person now or hereafter employed by the said cities or paid out of the city treasury thereof as herein above provided if any of the age of sixty years and upwards who shall have been so employed for a period of twenty years or more shall upon application to the board of pensions herein created be retired from service and shall during the remainder of his or her life receive a pension or compensation fixed by this act subject to such qualifications as are herein contained"

Section 4 During the lifetime of the said person he or she shall be entitled to receive as a pension annually from the fund set aside for the purpose fifty per centum of the amount which would constitute the average annual salary or wages which he or she received during the last five years of his or her employment by the said city or other public employment as aforesaid Said pension to be paid in monthly payments Should any person so employed after twenty years of service be dismissed voluntarily retire or be in any manner deprived of his position or employment before attaining the age of sixty years upon continuing a monthly payment to the fund equal to the last amount due and paid monthly while in active service said person shall be entitled to the pension above mentioned notwithstanding he or she has not attained the age of sixty years at the time of his or her separation from the public service but said pension shall not commence until he or she has attained the age of sixty years Should any employe however become totally and permanently disabled after twenty years of service and before attaining the age of sixty years he or she shall be entitled to the said pension Proof of total and permanent disability shall consist of the sworn statement of three practicing physicians designated by the board that the employe is in a permanent condition of health which would totally disable him or her from performing the duties of his or her position or office The pension paid to any one employe shall not exceed one hundred dollars per month"

"Section 5 The city county or other public employes if any herein mentioned shall after the passage of this act pay unto the board of pensions monthly an amount equal to two per centum of their monthly salaries or wages in no event however paying at a rate greater than four dollars a month which shall be applied to the purposes of this act Payment of the monthly amount or contribution herein mentioned shall cease and be discontinued at the time the beneficiary receives the pension herein provided If for any cause an employe contributing to the pension fund shall cease to be an employe of any such cities of the first class or other county or public employes paid out of the treasury of such cities before said employe becomes entitled to the pension conferred by this act the total amount of the contributions paid into the pension fund by such employe shall be refunded to him in full without interest Provided however If any such employe shall have returned to him or her the amount contributed as aforesaid and shall afterward re-enter such public employment said employe shall not be entitled to the pension designated until twenty years after the said re-employment unless he or she shall return to the pension fund the amount withdrawn in which event the period of twenty years shall be computed from the time said employe first entered the such public service In the event of the death of any employe before the said employe becomes entitled to the pension aforesaid the said total amount of contributions aforesaid shall be paid over to the estate of said deceased employe"

"Section 6 Should any person holding position in said cities of the first class or any county or other public employes if any paid out of the treasury of such cities as aforesaid be paid a per diem wage he or she shall not be compelled to pay or contribute toward the pension fund herein provided for but shall have the option or choice of so doing and in that event only becoming entitled to the pension provided by this act"

"Section 10 The benefits conferred by this act shall apply to all persons employed in any capacity by or holding positions in the cities included in its provisions or paid out of the treasury thereof as aforesaid Provided That this act shall not apply to employes of such departments bureaus or offices as are now protected by pension authorized by the laws of this State and in force at the time of the passage of this act" are amended to read respectively as follows

Section 2 In every such city of the first class there shall be created a board to be known as the Pension Board consisting of the mayor the city treasurer the city controller one member of select council and one member of common council of said city to be selected annually by the respective bodies It shall be the duty of said board to register all persons employed by the said city and all other public employes paid out of the treasury thereof as aforesaid or paid out of the fund of any public commission or out of private funds if any and to administer the collection and distribution of the fund herein provided for and to do such acts and make such reasonable rules in the premises as such board may deem necessary to effectually carry into effect the provisions of this act

Section 3 Every person now or hereafter employed by the said cities or paid out of the city treasury thereof or in or about work done for public purposes in said cities as herein before provided if any of the age of sixty years and upwards who shall have been so employed for a period of twenty years or more shall upon application to the board

of pensions herein created be retired from service and shall during the remainder of his or her life receive a pension or compensation fixed by this act subject to such qualifications as are herein contained

Section 4 During the life time of the said person he or she shall be entitled to receive as a pension annnually from the fund set aside for the purpose fifty per centum of the amount which would constitute the average annual salary or wages which he or she received during the last five years of his or her employment by the said city or other public employment as aforesaid or out of the funds of any public commission or out of private funds Said pension to be paid in monthly payments Should any person so employed after twenty years of service be dismissed voluntarily retire or be in any manner deprived of his position or employment before attaining the age of sixty years upon continuing a monthly payment to the fund equal to the last amount due and paid monthly while in active service said person shall be entitled to the pension above mentioned notwithstanding he or she has not attained the age of sixty years at the time of his or her separation from he public service but said pension shall not commence until he or she has attained the age of sixty years Should any employe however become totally and permanently disabled after twenty years of service and before attaining the age of sixty years he or she shall be entitled to the said pension Proof of total and permanent disability shall consist of the sworn statement of three practicing physicians designated by the board that the employe is in a permanent condition of health which would totally disable him or her from performing the duties of his or her position or office The pension paid to any one employe shall not exceed one hundred dollars per month

Section 5 The city county or other public employes if any herein mentioned shall after the passage of this act pay unto the board of pensions monthly an amount equal to two per centum of their monthly salaries or wages in no event however paying at a rate greater than four dollars a month which shall be applied to the purposes of this act Payment of the monthly amount or contribution herein mentioned shall cease and be discontinued at the time the beneficiary receives the pension herein provided If for any cause an employe contributing to the pension fund shall cease to be an employe of any such cities of the first class or other county or public employes paid out of the treasury of such cities or out of the funds of any public commission or out of private funds before said employe becomes entitled to the pension conferred by this act the total amount of contributions paid into the pension fund by such employe shall be refunded to him in full without interest Provided however If any such employe shall have returned to him or her the amount contributed as aforesaid and shall afterward re-enter such public employment said employe shall not be entitled to the pension designated until twenty years after the said re-employment unless he or she shall return to the pension fund the amount withdrawn in which event the period of twenty years shall be computed from the time said employe first entered the such public service In the event of the death of any employe before the said employe becomes entitled to the pension aforesaid the said total amount of contributions aforesaid shall be paid over to the estate of said deceased employe

Section 6 Should any person holding position in said cities of the first class or any county or other public employes if any paid out of the treasury of such cities as aforesaid or out of the funds of any public commission or out of private funds be paid a per diem wage he or she shall not be compelled to pay or contribute toward the pension fund herein provided for but shall have the option or choice of so doing and in that event only becoming entitled to the pension provided by this act

Section 10 The benefits conferred by this act shall apply to all persons employed in any capacity by or holding positions in the cities included in its provisions or paid out of the treasury thereof as aforesaid or paid out of the funds of any public commission or out of any private funds Provided That this act shall not apply to employes of such departments bureaus or offices as are now protected by pension authorized by the laws of this State and in force at the time of the passage of this act

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1146 as follows:

An Act authorizing William R Shellenberger and Emma L Shellenberger his wife of the township of Athens Bradford county Pennsylvania to bring suit against the Commonwealth

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That William R Shellenberger and Emma L Shellenberger his wife of the borough of Athens Bradford county Pennsylvania are hereby authorized to bring suit in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county against this Commonwealth for any sum or sums of money that may be legally due the said William R Shellenberger and Emma L Shellenberger his wife from this Commonwealth as damages for personal injuries sustained by the said William R Shellenberger and Emma L Shellenberger his wife upon the State highway approximately one and one-half miles from Ulster in the county of Bradford This suit shall be subject to the same rules of practice pleading and evidence as in other cases between individuals and the defenses open to the Commonwealth shall be such as would be available to an individual if sued upon like facts

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1261, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal," approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, as amended by an act, entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the supreme, superior, common pleas, and orphans' courts, permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties, with half pay for their unexpired terms, and the filling of vancancies caused by such removal,' approved May eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and one, so as to allow them full pay during the balance of their terms of office, and, under certain conditions, half pay during the remainder of their lives," approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, so as to provide that any judges of the supreme or superior court who has served in judicial office for twenty or more years shall be entitled to receive the benefits of said act immediately after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term, resignation or otherwise, whether said service be continuous or not.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section one of an act approved the eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred sixty-five) entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme Superior common pleas and orphans' courts permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties with half pay for their unexpired terms and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal" as amended by an act approved the twenty-third day of June one thousand nine hundred eleven (Pamphlet Laws one thousand one hundred twenty-one) entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme Superior common pleas and orphans' courts permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their functions and duties with half pay for the unexpired terms and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal approved May eleventh one thousand nine hundred and one so as to allow them full pay during the balance of their terms of office and under certain conditions half pay during the remainder of their lives" which reads as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve whenever the Governor is of opinion based upon satisfactory medical evidence that a judge of the Supreme Superior common pleas or orphans' court is by reason of physical or mental disability permanently incapacitated for performing his judicial duties he shall notify said judge of his opinion giving the reasons therefor and if the said judge shall resign within thirty days after such notice and shall hold himself in readiness to advise with his successors and colleagues and to perform duties as special master referee auditor or examiner in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do he shall receive for the balance of the term for which he was elected if he shall so long live the salary he would have received had he remained in active service

Any judge of the common pleas or of the orphans' court so resigning who shall have served continuously in judicial office for twenty-five years or more immediately prior to the date of his resignation and shall have reached the age of seventy years or any judge of the Supreme or Superior Court so resigning who shall have served continuously in judicial office for twenty years or more immediately prior to the date of his resignation and who shall hold himself in readiness to advise his successors and colleagues and to perform duties as special master referee auditor or examiner in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do shall receive during the remainder of his life after the expiration of his said term one-half of the salary which he would have received had he remained in active service

Any judge of the Supreme or Superior Court who shall have served continuously in judicial office for twenty years or more and any judge of the common pleas or orphans' court who shall have reached the age of seventy years and who shall have served continuously in judicial office for twenty-five years or more and who shall hold himself in readiness to advise with his successors and colleagues and to perform such duties as special master referee auditor or examiner in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term resignation or otherwise shall receive during the remainder of his life one-half of the salary which he would have received had he remained in active service

No judge while accepting the benefits of this act shall be entitled to any additional compensation for the performance of any duties assigned to him hereunder and no such judge shall be obliged to accept an assignment of duty from any court other than the court of which he was a member at the time of his retirement

Any judge wishing to take advantage of the provisions of this act may notify the Governor of his desire so to do or the Governor on his own initiative may notify any judge as provided herein

All payments under this act shall be made monthly only upon the certificate of the retired judge that he is not engaged in any remunerative business or employment or if the judge himself is unable to make one upon a certificate to that effect from a competent physician

Any judge or judges who have been retired under the act to which this is an amendment are hereby given all the benefits and advantages and are made subject to the requirement of this act to the same extent and with the same effect as if they had been retired under the provision hereof

Any vacancy created by a retirement under this act prior to the expiration of the current term that the judge is filling at the time of such retirement shall be filled as now provided by law in cases of vacancies in judicial offices is amended to read as follows

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That from and after first day of January Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and twelve whenever the Governor is of opinion based upon satisfactory medical evidence that a judge of the Supreme Superior common pleas or orphans' court is by reason of physical or mental disability permanently incapacitated for performing his judicial duties he shall notify said judge of his opinion giving the reasons therefor and if the said judge shall resign within thirty days after such notice and shall hold himself in readiness to advise with his successors and colleagues to perform duties as special master referee auditor or examiner in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do he shall receive for the balance of the term for which he was elected if he shall so long live the salary he would have received had he remained in active service

Any judge of the common pleas or of the orphans' court so resigning who shall have served continuously in judicial office for twenty-five years or more immediately prior to the date of his resignation and shall have reached the age of seventy years or any judge of the Supreme or Superior Court so resigning who shall have served in judicial office for twenty years or more at the date of his resignation and who shall hold himself in readiness to advise with his successors and colleagues and to perform duties as special master referee auditor or examiner in such ways as he may be reasonably able to do shall receive during the remainder of his life after the expiration of his said term one-half of the salary which he would have received had he remained in active service

Any judge of the Supreme or of the Superior Court who shall have served in judicial office for twenty years or more and any judge of the common pleas or orphans' court who shall have reached the age of seventy years and who shall have served continuously in judiciary office for twenty-five years or more and who shall hold himself in readiness to advise with his successors and colleagues and to perform such duties as special master referee auditor or examiner in such ways as he may reasonably be able to do after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term resignation or otherwise shall receive during the remainder of his life one-half of the salary which he would have received had he remained in active service

No judge while accepting the benefits of this act shall be entitled to any additional compensation for the performance of any duties assigned to him hereunder and no such judge shall be obliged to accept an assignment of duty from any court other than the court of which he was a member at the time of his retirement

Any judge wishing to take advantage of the provisions of this act may notify the Governor of his desire so to do or the Governor on his own initiative may notify any judge as provided herein

All payments under this act shall be made monthly only upon the certificate of the retired judge that he is not engaged in any remunerative business or employment or if the judge himself is unable to make one upon a certificate to that effect from a competent physician

Any judge or judges who have been retired under the act to which this is an amendment are hereby given all the benefits and advantages and are made subject to the requirement of this act to the same extent and with the same effect as if they had been retired under the provision hereof

Any vacancy created by a retirement under this act prior to the expiration of the current term that the judge is filling at the time of such retirement shall be filled as now provided by law in cases of vacancies in judicial offices

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.

The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.

The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 4, line 5, by inserting "with" after "advise,"

Amend section 1, page 4, line 12, by inserting "of the" before "Superior."

Amend section 1, page 5, line 26, by inserting "the" before "first."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendments?

They were agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act to amend section one of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme Superior common pleas and orphans' court permantly disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties with half pay for their unexpired terms and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal" approved eleventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and one, as amended by an act entitled "An Act to amend section one of an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the removal of judges of the Supreme Superior common pleas and orphans' courts permanently disqualified by reason of physical or mental disability to perform their judicial functions and duties with half pay for their unexpired terms and the filling of vacancies caused by such removal" approved May eleventh one thousando nine hundred and one so as to allow them full pay during the balance of their terms of office and under certain conditions half pay during the remainder of their lives" approved twenty-thrid day of June one thousand nine hundred and eleven so as to provide that any judge of the Supreme or Superior court who has served in judicial office for twenty or more years shall be entitled to receive the benefits of said act immediately after his honorable retirement from office by expiration of term resignation or otherwise whether said service be continuous or not

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 591, entitled

An Act authorizing the Court of Quarter Sessions to make orders and decrees for the removal of bodies interred in burial grounds or cemeteries in or adjacent to cities belonging to any person partnership association or corporation and providing for the cost of the removal of such bodies.

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the court of quarter sessions of the several counties may make such orders and decrees for the regulation and care of burial grounds situated in and adjacent to cities as the public good shall require When any such burial grounds shall be abandoned for use as a burial ground or shall become so neglected as in the opinion of said court to become a public nuisance the court may direct the removal of the dead therefrom to some other properly regulated burial ground and may enforce by proper process order and decrees made under this act

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 12, by inserting "the same" after "enforce."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The second section was read and agreed to as follows:

Section 2 That upon the petition of one hundred or more citizens or residents in the vicinity of such cemetery setting forth that any such cemetery has been abandoned and constitutes a public nuisance the court may after three weeks advertisement of hearing in open court for the purpose and after a full hearing of the parties their proofs and allegations authorize and direct the removal of the remains of the dead from such burial grounds

The third section was read as follows:

Section 3 Such removal shall be made by a commission of three persons to be appointed by the court of quarter sessions having jurisdiction of the matter and shall be performed in a careful manner at the expense of the petitioners who shall file a bond to be approved by the court conditioned for the payment of said expense of removal to such other burial ground or grounds that may be selected for said purpose or if desired by the relatives or friends of such dead to some properly regulated burial ground or cemetery in the immediate vicinity Before removing any of said bodies said commission appointed for the purpose shall publish for two successive weeks in two weekly newspapers of such city wherein such burial ground is located a notice declaring their intention to remove said bodies in pursuance of this act

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. FLYNN. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 3, page 2, line 14, by strkiing out "permormed" and inserting in lien thereof "performed."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the mendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.

The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh sections and title were separately read and agreed to as follows:

Section 4 Relatives and friends of such dead shall have the right to so remove said remains at any time during said proceedings at their own expense
Section 5 All bodies when removed shall be placed in separate caskets and graves and the headstones monuments or other marks by the remains of said bodies shall be taken by the persons authorized to make such removal and placed as near as can be in the same relative position in the new place of interment as before removal
Section 6 The members of said commission shall receive compensation for their services to be fixed by the court which shall not exceed five dollars per day for the actual time employed
Section 7 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed
An Act authorizing the Court of Quarter Sessions to make orders and decrees for the removal of bodies interred in burial grounds or cemeteries in or adjacent to cities belonging to any peson partnership association or corporation and providing for the cost of the removal of such bodies.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,
Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,
The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,
The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 774, entitled

A Joint Resolution providing for the oppointment of a Committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives to investigate the operation of the certain laws in cities of the first class

The first section was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That a committee consisting of three members of the House of Representatives one of whom shall be a member of the minority party to be appointed by the Speaker of the House and three members of the Senate one of whom shall be of the minority party to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate be and the same is hereby constituted and which is authorized and empowered to investigate the operation of laws relating to the civil service in cities of the first class and of laws relating to political activity by and the soliciting of political contributions from or by officers and employes of cities of the first class The said committee shall have power to select its own chairman and appoint legal counsel and such officers and employes as may be needed to enable it properly to perform its duties as aforesaid The said committee shall also have power to issue subpoenas signed by its chairman to administer oaths and affirmations and to require the attendance of persons and the production of such books and papers as in its judgment will assist it in its aforesaid investigation
The said committee shall report to the Senate not later than May fifteen one thousand nine hundred and seventeen its findings together with its recommendations as to the advisability of amending the existing laws in order to secure a better and more efficient civil service and the advisability of adopting legislation extending civil service regulations to officers and employes of the State and of cities and counties of the State not now within the scope of existing laws

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?
Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendments.
The SPEAKER. The amendments will be read by the Clerk.
The amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 1, page 1, line 8, by inserting "a member" after "shall be."
Amend section 1, page 1, line 10, by striking out "which" and inserting in lieu thereof "said committee."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendments?
They were agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the section as amended?
It was agreed to.
The title was read as follows:

A Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives to investigate the operation of the certain laws in cities of the first class.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the title?
Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.
The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.
The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend title page 1, line 3, by striking out "the" before "certain."

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the title as amended?
It was agreed to.
On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?
Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I do hope that the gentlemen of the House will give these bills an opportunity to be properly heard in a reasonable discussion on the floor of this House. I take this opportunity of making the statement to this House of something that occurred last Monday evening, highly disgusting and unbecoming to the dignity and honor of a body of this character. A similar bill to the one now before you was on the calendar for second reading. Within ten minutes before that bill was called up I was asked by the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, to agree that a special order for the bill to be heard and discussed be made for next Monday night at 9.30. I cheerfully acquiesced in the request, and made a memorandum on the calendar to that effect. When the bill was called up it was met with the same reception that this bill is meeting with now. I do not care what you do with this bill, but I do think it is only fair to the people of Philadelphia who are behind the measure, that the sponsor of the bill should have a fair opportunity on third reading of arguing the proposition. If you do not agree with it, you can vote

against it. It is unbecoming and not in keeping with dignity to take this snap judgment and try to pull something over by brute force or mob spirit. That does not appeal to reason and is, I say, unbecoming to a legislative body. I hope you will vote to pass this bill on second reading.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I regret that Mr. Beyer has been led to the length in his statement of criticising me, to accuse me of unfair methods. Now I submit the record to the older members of this House that I have during the four terms that I have been a member, and I defy any man on the floor of this House to say that I ever misled him or entered into an agreement with him, so far as I was personally concerned, that I did not keep; and when the gentleman from Philadelphia said that this bill was being met with brute force and mob force, he is trying to appeal to your prejudice and not your reason. Legislative procedure provides that it is within the province of this body to either accept a bill on second reading, or dispense with it by failure to agree to it. The men from Philadelphia County recognize that this is nothing more less than an attempt on the part of men posing in the guise of reformers, who do not want this legislation any more than we do, to try to place themselves in a position where, under false colors, they can go back and say, "We wanted this legislation, but the other end of the factional side of Philadelphia did not want it." This bill is not introduced in good faith, and whether I be subjected to criticism or not, as will be represented by Mr. Beyer, as standing in the way of good legislation, I have the courage to stand here to-day and face it. You men from the different parts of the State are asked to vote for legislation for Philadelphia County that you would not stand for in your own county for a moment; and if we want to dispose of this bill on second reading, we are doing nothing more or less than exercising our legislative prerogative, not brute force or mob force, but acting in a way that we are allowed to do by the legal procedure of this body. My intention of rising was to resent the unfair statement made by the gentleman from Philadelphia, and I hope that the action on the floor of this body will be that of not agreeing to the bill on second reading. Now, gentlemen, my friend is going to appeal to you again. He is going to rise, surrounded by all his dignity, and all his evidence of fair play. Why, gentlemen, you know and I know. Use your own judgment, and if it comes to a question regarding a promise made, take it from a man who is on the level and not a man masquerading in the disguise.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to interrogate the gentleman from Philadelphia.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, allow himself to be interrogated?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I want the gentleman to state to the House whether it is not a fact that he came to me within ten minutes before the vote was taken on the bill and asked me to make it a special order.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I went to the gentleman and asked his intentions as to the bill. I prefaced my remarks to him by saying, "Are you on the level in this legislation?" He said, "I am not particularly interested. I do not care what is done with it." I said, "What are you going to do?" He said, "I am going to make it a special order on third reading for Monday night." I said, "So far as I am personally concerned, that is all right." I came back here and told my friends, and they said, "We won't stand for it." He said to me that he was not honestly interested in this legislation, at least gave me that impression.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to further interrogate the gentleman.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, allow himself to be further interrogated?

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I will.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman if he did not yell the loudest against the bill after he left my desk.

Mr. McNICHOL. Mr. Speaker, I voted against it, yes, sir.

Mr. BEYER. Notwithstanding your promise to me.

Mr. McNICHOL. No, sir; I resent your statement that I made you a promise.

Mr. BEYER. Isn't it a fact that I have here your agreement relative to the putting of two similar bills on the calendar?

Mr. McNICHOL. No, sir.

Mr. BEYER. Were you not a party to the agreement between Mr. Cox and myself?

Mr. McNICHOL. No, sir; I was not, and Mr. Cox does not say that I was.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I think that I have a right to reply when my motives are called into question. These bills are bills which have been prepared by what is known as the Charter Revision Committee in Philadelphia. They are a class of people that perhaps my good friend from Philadelphia does not hold in the highest esteem because they advocate certain reforms in politics that do not meet with his approval. You and I may differ in regard to how far we should regulate the elections of public officials, but there is one thing I do hope, and that is that we will always agree to be honest with each other. The gentleman has admitted that he was at my desk and made the proposition, or at least agreed to it, that it should be made a special order on Monday night, and, to say the least, it is manifestly unfair, without a word to the sponsor of the bill, to bring this sort of a thing before the House.

I would not be guilty of it; and I do not think there is a man here in this House that thinks I would. I have tried to deal as fairly with the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. McNichol, as I have with every other member of this House. I have never allowed personalities to enter into this proposition of legisaltion on the floor of this chamber. Every bill that comes here is featured by some organization or other. They are entitled to have respectful attention, and that is all I ask. It may be that with some bills that I have here I may have some differences myself, but they are entitled to a sponsor from their own city to present the bills and bring them before you, no matter what your own opinion is, and it is only in the interest of fair play that I ask you to pass this bill on second reading in order that we may make a special order for its consideration on third reading at some future time.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, this is another bill that refers to factional politics in Philadelphia. Almost half of the time that has been spent here during this session has been taken up in venting the factional politics of Philadelphia, and so long as you members from the country join in with the differences that exist in Philadelphia, where they ought to fight out their different factional matters, so long as you join in with them, the session of this Assembly will be kept on hearing the effects of factional politics in Philadelphia. Why not to-day put your seal of disapproval on bills like this and similar bills that will come out? If you don't to-day put your seal of disapproval and pass the legislation like this that is only brought out for the purpose of venting the factional feeling between the two parties in the City of Philadelphia, if you do that, then this House can get down to business again and transact the work for which we are here, if we can, and continue that; but if we cannot, let us fix a date for final adjournment and get down to work and stop this business of washing the dirty linen of Philadelphia politics.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Beyer and Mr. Jefferson W. Smith, and were as follows:

YEAS—88.

Albee,	Fretz,	Miller, A. D.,	Smith, F. I.,
Baldridge,	Gans,	Miller, C. G.,	Smith, J. W.,
Bechtold,	Goodnough,	Miller, G. J. A.,	Smith, O. W.,
Benninger,	Graham,	Milliron,	Snowden,
Beyer,	Haight,	Murdoch,	Sones,
Bouton, V. B.,	Haldeman,	Perry,	Spangler,
Bovee,	Heffernan,	Pickering,	Speicher,
Boyd,	Heyburn,	Powell,	Sprowls,
Brady,	Hibshman,	Ramsey,	Stern,
Campbell, T.,	Hollern,	Reitzel,	Stofflet,
Christman,	Hollingsworth,	Ringler,	Strauss,
Clements,	Jones,	Rininger,	Swartz,
Crosby,	Lauler,	Robertson,	Thomas,
Davis, W.,	Leary,	Rogers,	Urich,
Dawson,	Lewis,	Ruddy,	Vogdes,
Dell,	Mangan,	Sampsel,	West,
Dithrich,	Marvin,	Sarig,	Whitaker,
Drake,	McArdle,	Scott,	Wickman,
Ehrhardt,	McCaig,	Shunk,	Williams, J. P.,
Erdman,	McKinney,	Siggins,	Wood,
Fitzgibbon,	Mearkle,	Simpson,	Wynne,
Flynn,	Mervine,	Smith, E. R.,	Zanders,

NAYS—61.

Aron,	Cummins,	Jack,	Patterson,
Arthur,	Curry,	Kennedy,	Phillips,

Aston,	Davis, D. F.,	Lanius,	Reichenbacker,
Baldi,	Dean,	Laucks,	Reynolds,
Bell,	Drinkhouse,	Maurer,	Rich,
Benchoff,	Dunn,	McKay,	Rothenberger,
Bidelspacher,	Eby,	McNichol,	Rudisill,
Black,	Fackler,	McVicar,	Schaeffer, A. C.,
Burnett,	Fowler,	Mehring,	Snyder,
Canon,	Franklin,	Milner,	Sweitzer,
Chestnut,	Glass,	Morgan, T. J.,	Vickerman,
Coldsmith,	Golder,	Murphy,	Walker,
Conner,	Hecht,	Musser,	Wallace,
Cook,	Horne,	Ogden,	Wobensmith,
Corbin,	Hough,	Palmer,	Wylie,
Cox,	Isherwood,		

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 919.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 919, File Folio 1713, entitled

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city borough incorporated town township or county requiring any taxes, registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle.

on first page of to-day's calendar, Bills on Second Reading, passed second reading.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, there was an amendment read and put in there that was not my amendment to that bill, and I desire to move to strike out in section 15, page 16, line 27, after the word "device" the words "also with a signal device whereby at night when a motor-vehicle is approaching and is within one hundred feet of a street or road intersection, the intention to turn to right or left shall be indicated by changing color of the lights on the motor vehicle to such colors as the State Highway Commissioner shall prescribe."

On the question recurring,

Will the House reconsider the vote by which this bill passed on second reading?

It was agreed to.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I move to strike out the amendment just read by the Clerk.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, this amendment offered to this section was sent to the desk at the same time that Mr. Mearkle's amendments went to the desk. Mr. Mearkle had a copy of the amendment handed to him some days ago and is familiar and was then with the wording of the amendment. It was given to him at his suggestion so that he could take it back home and take the matter up with the originators of the bill. This amendment simply provides for the protection of the automobile traffic in the streets of the cities and towns and on the highways of the State. The objection to it, as Mr. Mearkle will tell you, is the fact that the automobile club or federation of this State feel that it is a patent device, and he will also tell you that it may cause some automobile owners in general a liability to damage. I want to explain the amendment: It simply provides that light shall be attached to a car as a signal light in order that where a number of machines are following one another along the road at night there is danger of accident. Statistics prove that seventy-five per cent. of the accidents occurring among machines happen at night. This little attachment could be arranged or placed on any machine at the expense of not much over a dollar. You can put on this little light which is a simple device and control it electrically or by your steering wheel and you can have the attachment put on yourself as there is no patent about it. Any person can use this device. I believe it will be the cause of reducing accidents and death which is now growing every day, to a considerable amount. The thing provides that at night you must signal to the man in the rear when you are about to turn off the road or off the street. You men have no doubt traveled along the road coming home some evenings from a gathering where there were from fifteen to twenty machines trailing along going at twenty-five miles an hour, and suddenly someone in the middle turns down the road or street without giving any signal and there is likely to be an accident. In the day time the custom is to extend the right arm as a signal to the car in the rear which tells the man who follows him that he is going to turn and enables him to check his speed. This little light would be a signal at night to the man in the rear who would slow up and if you have not this light very often in traveling through this State or on such occasions when a number of automobiles follow each other traveling at night, the result is a jamming of machines together because the man in front could not give this signal and there is likely to be a smashup all along this line. As to the damage end of it, there is never a collision between two machines or a smashup but that there is a lawsuit. I hope the amendment will go through. I think you men will stand for it. There is no objection to it only by the federation. It is safe to say that in making up this bill as rapidly as they have they have prepared it in their own interest rather than for the interest of the public.

THE SPEAKER (MR. R. J. BALDWIN) IN THE CHAIR.

The SPEAKER. The Chair is very certain that he never recognized anybody in connection with amendments to this bill but the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Mearkle. If there were any other amendments inserted it was an oversight on the part of the clerk and an oversight on the part of the Chair at the time, and certainly I think, under the circumstances, Mr. Geary ought not to object to having the record corrected. If there is any doubt about the matter the proper course to take would be to wait until we get the official data from the stenographers. I think they will fully verify the statement of the Chair. The Chair never knew of an amendment offered by Mr. Geary, and if it was offered it was an entire oversight by the Clerk. This is not intended as a reflection on Mr. Geary. I know that the House wants to do what is right in the matter, and I think, under the circumstances, that if both the gentlemen will decide for the present to defer the matter until the record appears it will be found that the Chair is correct.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I may add that at the time when I sent up the amendments the Clerk had all the amendments and they were read in order, and while they were going through regularly in their order I did not want to step up and make any noise or any excitement and request that they should be put in specially.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman must recognize that he is in error in sending amendments to the desk without being recognized by the Chair.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, that is true.

The SPEAKER. Would the gentleman from Allegheny be satisfied to withdraw his motion? The Chair will rule, with the consent of the House, that the amendments offered by Mr. Geary in which the Chair decided that they were adopted, the Chair withdraws his decision in regard to these amendments. Therefore, the question is, Will the House agree to take up the amendments offered by Mr. Geary in their order?

The Clerk will read the first section to which the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Geary, desires to offer amendments.

The fifth section was read as follows:

Section 5 The fee for the registration of a motor cycle shall be three dollars The fee for the registration of other motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires except as is provided for in the dealers class when registration

is issued prior to July of any year shall be five dollars for each motor vehicle of less than twenty horse power Ten dollars for each motor vehicle of twenty and less than thirty-five horse power fifteen dollars for each motor vehicle of thirty-five and less than fifty horse power twenty dollars for each motor vehicle of fifty horse power or more The fee for the registration of motor vehicles equipped with solid tires shall be five dollars for each motor vehicle of less than four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle ten dollars for each motor vehicle of four thousand pounds and less than five thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle fifteen dollars for each motor vehicle of five thousand and less than ten thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle twenty dollars for each motor vehicle of ten thousand and less than fifteen thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle twenty-five dollars for each motor vehicle of fifteen thousand and not more than twenty-four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of load and vehicle The fees for registration of vehicles trailing after or propelled by motor vehicles shall be one dollar for each such vehicle of less than two thousand pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined three dollars for each such vehicle of more than two thousand (2,000) and less than ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined and five dollars for each such vehicle of more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds and less than twenty-four thousand pounds gross maximum weight of vehicle and load combined

The fee shall be ten dollars for each certificate and pair of number tags issued to persons registered in the dealers class except for dealers in motor cycles for whom the fee shall be five dollars

The fees for registration when issued on or after July first shall be one-half those required above

No fee shall be charged for the registration of motor ambulances motor fire apparatus motor patrol wagons and motor cycles used by police officers owned and used by any city county incorporated town borough township duly authorized volunteer fire department hospital humane society or anti-cruelty society nor for any motor vehicle owned by the State of Pennsylvania or the United States but all such vehicles shall be registered and shall display number tags as provided for in case of privately owned vehicles All registrations shall expire December thirty-first of the year issued

The term pneumatic tires as used in this section shall be construed to mean any tire containing air at greater pressure than the surrounding atmosphere and all other tires shall be considered as solid tires

On the question.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 5, page 7, line 19, by adding after the word "motor" the "vehicles motor."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, this amendment to section five, page seven, line nineteen, adding the word "motor," this particular amendment means this: that all public officials of the county and city are exempted from paying a State license for their automobiles. Now, we went into this matter with a great many of our friends, and I would say for the information of the members of this House, that I have given this matter considerable attention, not only been working on it a few days, a few weeks, a few months, but a few years, and I take this opportunity to challenge the gentleman from Allegheny County when he states that this bill was prepared and suggested largely in the interest of the motor vehicle drivers. That is positively not true. This bill was drawn distinctively in the interest of the public, and of the people. Now, in going over this we had up the proposition of exempting county and city officials from paying a State license. It was agreed to leave the act just as it is to-day. Under the Motor Vehicle Act of 1913, the fire department, public ambulances, and all public vehicles used for public purposes were exempt from paying a State license, but we could not see why the mayor of a city, or the councils of the city, or the county commisisoners of the county, to whom we pay large salaries and furnish them with automobiles, should not pay a motor vehicle license. That is the reason that we object to this particular section. Now as the next section has not been read, I will wait for it.

Mr. GEARY. The purpose of this amendment is not as my colleague states. The purpose is simply to exempt machines that are now used by the city officials and county officials in a public manner. Take in the county, the road department, the road superintendent, the inspectors, are compelled to use and do use a great many machines in the City of Pittsburgh. The police use motorcycles and patrols and many other motor vehicles. Now, then, in traveling over their own streets, their own roads, it is just a matter of taxation which amounts to thousands and thousands of dollars that could be saved to the public in the county and in the city, and that is the purpose of this amendment. It is worded in that manner, as the bill also states that ambulances of hospitals and other vehicles along that line shall be exempt, this simply takes in motor vehicles used officially by the city and county officials. I might say that in the City of Pittsburgh every machine with the exception of that used by the mayor is lettered in great big, large letters, "Owned by the City of Pittsburgh," to do away with any joy riding or any private riding by the owners of those machines. I hope this amendment will pass.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be re-referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I move that the motion to recommit be laid on the table.

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER declared that the ayes appeared to have it.

Whereupon, a division was called for, and ninety gentlemen having voted in the affirmative and sixty-seven in the negative, the question was determined in the affirmative,

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was not agreed to.

On the question recurring.

Will the House agree to the section?

It was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the next section to which the gentlemen from Allegheny desires to offer amendments.

The fifteenth section was read as follows:

Section 15 Every motor vehicle shall be provided when in use with good and sufficient brakes and with a horn bell or other signal device and where such vehicle is so constructed or so covered as to prevent the driver or operator thereof from having a sufficient view of the traffic following it shall be equipped with some device that will show the operator the road to the rear

Every motor vehicle whether standing or in motion upon any public highway shall from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise and whenever it is impossible to see clearly for a distance of two hundred (200) feet show at least two white or blue or amber colored lights on the front of such vehicle provided however that motor cycles to which no side car is atached need display only one such light

Every motor vehicle including motor cycles shall also display one red light visible from the rear but if a trailer or trailers is atached to such motor vehicle a red light shall be displayed on such trailer or on the last trailer if there be more than one and the registration tag on the rear of every motor vehicle and trailer or last trailer if more than one shall be clearly illuminated from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise

Whenever there is no sufficient light within the limits of the highway to clearly reveal persons vehicles or substantial objects within the limit of one hundred and fifty (150) feet the front lights on every motor vehicle shall when the vehicle is in motion clearly illuminate the road for a distance of at least one hundred and fifty (150) feet in front of such motor vehicle and for five (5) feet to the side of such vehicle at a point ten (10) feet ahead of the lamps

On no motor vehicle shall there be displayed more than two lights equipped with reflectors in which electric bulbs of more than four (4) candle power are used and such lights shall be so arranged designed or deflected that no portion of the beam of reflected light when measured seventy-five (75) feet or more ahead of the lamps shall rise more than forty-two (42) inches above the level surface on which the vehicle stands

The focused rays of light from any movable search light or spot light used on any motor vehicle shall not extend to the left of the center of the highway and shall not illuminate the roadway for a greater distance than fifty (50) feet ahead of the vehicle to which it is attached

The term "beam of reflected light" as used in this section shall be construed to mean the approximately parallel focalized rays gathered and projected by a reflector lens or other device

Every operator of a motor vehicle shall sound his horn bell or signal device giving reasonable warning of his approach whenever necessary to insure the safety of other users of the highways and also when approaching any

street or road crossing or dangerous curve where the proper authorities shall have erected signs easily readable from the highway and at right angles thereto bearing thereon in letters at least five (5) inches in height the words "Danger Blow Horn" provided that such signs may not be erected at street or road crossings where a full view to the right and the left is unobstructed

The unnecessary sounding of horns bells or other signal devices and the use of muffler cutouts upon any public highway is prohibited and no motor vehicle of any description shall be operated or driven on the public highway unless the engine be muffled so that the explosions of the engine shall not constitute a nuisance to the public

On the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I desire to offer the following amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be read by the Clerk.

The amendment was read by the Clerk as follows:

Amend section 15, page 16, line 27, by adding after the word "device" the words "also with a signal device whereby at night when a motor vehicle is approaching and is within one hundred feet of a street or road intersection, the intention to turn to the right or left shall be indicated by changing color of the lights on the motor vehicle to such colors as the State Highway Commissioner shall prescribe."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. MEARKLE. Mr. Speaker, I regret very much that I am obliged to oppose the amendment of my friend from Allegheny County to this bill, but we have made a careful study of this proposition. In drafting this piece of legislation, we were approached by various men, from various manufacturing concerns, various light manufacturing concerns, requesting us to put in some device to suit their particular appliances. I do not mean to state that that is the exact purpose of this amendment, but it can be used for that purpose.

We also avoided or tried to avoid making this piece of legislation top-heavy, that is, by incorporating into the bill so many various suggestions and amendments that were offered to us by our friends that it would make the bill altogether inoperative and so cumbersome and burdensome that the officials, the city officials, could not and would not enforce it. The particular amendment applies to the attaching of some lighting device—it may not be a lighting device, but some kind of a device for the purpose of indicating when you are about to turn to the right. In many cases it would not be in working order, and even if it were it would not be enforced by the authorities, so, we thought, what was the use of incorporating into a bill a provision that could not be enforced. Therefore I strongly object to this particular amendment.

Mr. GEARY. Mr. Speaker, I am not going to waste much time in arguing this point. Its purpose is simply for the protection of life. If this device should be out of order, in case of accident, they will have to pay damages. But if this be incorporated into the bill I believe that it will decrease the death rate and the accident rate tremendously. The amendment is offered for the purpose of protecting people on the public road and I hope that you will vote to put this amendment in the measure.

Mr. SPANGLER. Mr. Speaker, the only reason I requested that this bill be sent back to the committee is that it covers the same ground practically as a number of other bills, now in the Public Roads Committee, cover——

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, my point of order is that the gentleman is not talking upon the amendment suggested but upon a measure that was defeated.

The SPEAKER. The Chair rules that the point of order of the gentleman from Delaware is well taken.

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to add a few words to the remarks of the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Mearkle. I have been in the automobile buisness for several years, and it would be to my interest personally, in a small way, to see it go through, because I could sell two or three thousand people this machine to put on the back of the car; but I want to tell you that all of the people that I know in the automobile business are larger than that, and would not want for themselves profit from such an addition to the equipment of a machine. I want also to take exception to his remarks about not being able to see a hand out at night. I want to say that you can see a hand out at night just the same as in the daytime. if your light are properly lighted. I also want to say that the great number of these accidents occur when persons are going at a very high rate of speed. If they were driving according to the legal rate of speed such accidents would not occur and would be unusual. I see no reason whatever why this amendment should be passed.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the section?

It was agreed to.

The title was read and agreed to as follows:

An Act relating to and regulating the operation of motor vehicles and vehicles propelled by or trailing after motor vehicles on the public highways and the storing of the same requiring the registration of the same and the licensing of all operators other than registered owners thereof providing fees methods and qualifications for all registrations or licenses and the disposition of such fees prohibiting tampering with motor vehicles by unauthorized persons prohibiting the enactment of any law or ordinance by any city, borough, incorporated town, township or county requiring any taxes, registration or license other than herein provided or the regulation of motor vehicles providing procedure and penalties for any violations thereof and the disposition of the fines collected for said violations and regulating the service of process and proceedings in actions for damages arising from the use of any motor vehicle.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to as amended,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 929, as follows:

An Act to further regulate the construction maintenance and inspection of buildings in cities of the first class

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That in cities of the first class in this Commonwealth where dwellings are erected on corner lots at the intersection of two streets the legal open space required for dwellings may be encumbered in whole or in part by structures not exceeding one story in height

Section 2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith or supplied hereby be and the same are hereby repealed

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1152, as follows:

An Act providing that persons associations and corporations owning occupying or controlling premises upon which any contractor or sub-contractor shall be permitted to do certain classes of construction work shall be liable for the wages of all employes engaged in such work and for the cost of all materials supplied for such work unless the contractor or sub-contractor shall file a bond for the immediate payment of wages and the cost of material when due providing that a contractor shall be liable for the wages of employes of any sub-contractor and for the cost of materials furnished to any sub-contractor unless such sub-contractor shall file a bond covering the same requiring every such contractor or sub-conrtactor to file a bond specifying the form and amount of such bond and permitting persons furnishing labor or materials to sue in such bond to recover wages and the cost of such materials

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That any person association or corporation owning occupying or controlling premises upon which any contractor shall be permitted to erect improve or repair any building or construct any public utility or

private transportation facility shall be liable to all persons employed on such premises by such contractor or any sub-contractor for their wages as and when due and to all persons supplying materials for use on such premises to such contractor or any sub-contractor for the price thereof as and when due unless such contractor or sub-contractor shall have filed a bond in due form and sufficient amount as hereinafter required

Section 2 Whenever any contractor or sub-contractor who shall have been permitted to erect repair or improve any building or construct any public utility or private transportation facility shall enter into any sub-contract for the performance of the whole or any part of such work such contractor shall be liable to all persons employed on such premises by such sub-contractor for their wages as and when due and to all persons supplying materials to such sub-contractor for use on such premises for the price thereof as and when due unless such sub-contractor shall have filed a bond in due form and sufficient amount as hereinafter required

Section 3 Every contractor and sub-contractor before beginning the work of erecting repairing or improving any building or constructing any public utility or private transportation facility or any part thereof shall file with the prothonotary of the county within which such work is to be done a bond naming as obligee therein the person association or corporation owning ccupying or controlling the premises upon which the work is to be done conditioned upon the payment immediately when due of all wages to persons employed by such contractor or sub-contractor upon such premises and of the purchase price of all materials to be used on such premises to the persons having furnished the same Such bond shall be in one and one-half times the amount of the contract or sub-contract price for the entire work to be done or if there is no contract price in one and one-half times the estimated cost of the entire work to be furnished to the person association or corporation for whom the work is to be done and forming the basis of the contract or sub-contract for such contractor or sub-contractor The said bond shall be executed by two sureties owning real estate of double the value of the bond or by a surety company approved by the Commissioner of Banking of this Commonwealth

Section 4 Any person employed upon the premises named in any such bond by the contractor or sub-contractor filing the same and any persons furnishing materials to such contractor or sub-contractor for use in such premises shall have the right immediately upon the failure of the contractor or sub-contractor on demand to pay such persons wages or the price of materials furnished by such persons as the case may be immediately when due to institute suit therefor upon such bond in the name of the obligee named therein to the use of the person claiming wages or the price of materials Any number of persons claiming wages or the price of materials shall have the right successively to sue on any such bond

Section 5 In any action brought under the provisions of this act the plaintiff shall be entitled to recover in addition to the amount due him for wages or materials furnished and the costs of suit such reasonable attorney's fee as shall be approved by the trial court

Section 6 Nothing in this act contained shall affect the liability of any person for wages or materials furnished for the performance of any contract or sub-contract executed prior to the first day of September one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Section 7 Any suit authorized in this section shall be instituted within six months after the completion of the work on the premises described therein undertaken by the contractor or sub-contractor named therein as the obligee

Section 8 The sureties on any bond herein provided for shall in no event be liable in a greater amount than the principal sum specified therein

Section 9 Nothing in this act shall be deemed to repeal amend or modify any act relating to mechanic liens

Section 10 This act shall become effective on the first day of September one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary of the Governor, being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, April 11, 1917.

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: There is pending before your honorable bodies an Act to appropriate two millions of dollars ($2,000,000) as an emergency fund to be expended upon warrant of the Governor, duly audited by the Auditor General of the Commonwealth.

The reasons for the intorduction of this Act are as follows: Your Executive, impressed by the serious situation now confronting this Commonwealth and Nation, called upon above two hundred leading citizens to perform the unselfish and patriotic duty of becoming a Committee of Public Safety for Pennsylvania. These gentlemen in open conference selected an Executive Commitee of twelve, who with their president were given certain powers and duties of great moment to the safety of the people of Pennsylvania.

This Executive Commitee, together with the other officers of the General Committee, unanimously approved the act now before you and urged its prompt passage. The form in which this act is drawn corresponds with the precedents set by the Assemblies of this Commonwealth since 1861, which precedents are as follows:

The Legislature, April 12, 1861, passed "An Act for the better organization of the militia of the Commonwealth." This act appropriated five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) and provided that its expenditure should be "under the direction and by the advice and consent of the Governor, and no bill shall be paid without being endorsed by him."

The Legislature, May 15, 1861, passed "An Act to create a loan and to provide for the arming of the State." Section one authorized the Governor and State Treasurer to borrow a sum not exceeding three million dollars ($3,000,000) and section II provides that these funds shall be drawn from "the State Treasury from time to time upon the warrant of the Governor." Section 13 of the same Act further provided that twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) be appropriated for the compensation of men required by the Governor to serve the State or National Government. This sum likewise was payable upon the warrant of the Governor.

The Legislature, May 4,. 1864, passed an act to create a loan and provided for arming the State, in section 4, of which the Governor is authorized to draw on his warrant from the State Treasury a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.)

In the year 1902 when the National Guard was called out by the Governor to suppress industrial disturbances in the anthracite coal district, the Governor drew from time to time as his warrant book shows, large sums of money which were honored by the State Treasurer and the money used to suppress the disturbance. There was no appropriation for the purpose by the authority for the Governor's action was based upon Section 40 of the Act of April 28, 1899, which provides that compensation for the National Guard when in actual service shal be provided upon warrants drawn by the Governor upon the Treasurer of the Commonwealth. This was done and the accounts duly audited by the Auditor General.

The Act of May 5, 1911, appropriated a million dollars ($1,000,000) as an emergency fund, to be paid upon the warrant drawn by the Governor upon the State Treasurer.

The Act of June 13, 1907, provides that there shall be placed at the disposal of the Governor and to be expended under orders of the Governor, the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000), for which the Governor is authorized to draw his warrant diectly upon the State Teasurer.

The Act of May 11, 1909, provides substantially the same method for the expenditure of a similar sum of money.

The Act of May 5, 1911, provides that warrants shall be drawn by the Governor upon the State Treasurer for the purpose of repelling invasion, etc., in this Commonwealth.

The Act of June 13, 1911, provides substantially the same form of appropriation upon the order of the Governor, who shall draw on his warrant upon the State Treasurer the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for the purposes incident to the suppression of insurrection, riot, etc., in Pennsylvania.

The Act of June 25 1913, likewise provides by placing at the disposal of the Governor of the Commonwealth the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) a method of suppressing insurrection, repelling invasion, etc., in this Commonwealth and authorize the Governor to draw warrant directly upon the State Treasurer in the expenditure of this fund.

These precedents, continuing through the years, clearly demonstrate the fact that the Legislature has always adhered to the implied purpose of the Constitution by placing these emergency funds from time to time at the disposal of the Governor. In the Constitution, the Governor is not only given supreme executive authority but he is likewise designated and authorized to be the Commander-in-Chief of the army and the navy of the Commonwealth.

In addition to the precedents and methods above indicated, I beg to advise you that West Virginia, where the Governor is Commonder-in- Chief under the militiary code of that state, appropriations are made to the military authorties upon the warrant of the Governor and subject to his approval.

In the State of Iowa, an appropriation of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) has just been made for military defense purposes and payment in such cases is made upon the approval of the Governor.

In the State of Illinois, a million of dollars ($1,000,000) has been appropriated in the present emergency, to be expended by the Adjutant General upon the approval of the Governor, which is the customary method in that State of making similar appropriations.

In the State of Rhode Island, an appropriation of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) has been made for the common defense in the present war, to be expended by the Governor upon proper vouchers approved by him alone.

In the State of New Hampshire, an appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) is pending in the Assembly, which sum is to be expended by the Governor, upon his warrant.

In the State of Indiana, one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) has been appropriated for the use of the Adjutnat General, subject to the approval of the Governor.

In the State of Michigan, a bill is pending authorizing the Governor and State Treasurer to borrow and bond the State for the purpose of being prepared for all calls of a military nature made by the National Government, the money to be expended upon the certification of the Governor that the amount stated is needed for the purposes specified.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has set aside one million of dollars ($1,000,000) to be expended under the direction of the Governor as Commander-in-Chief, in defraying the military and other expenses in the present emergency.

The State of Maine has appropriated a million dollars ($1,000,000) for war purposes, the same to be expended under the executive directions of the Governor. In this State, as in Massachusetts, there is a council provided, whose approval the Governor receives in all matters of executive action.

In the State of Connecticut, a military and industrial census has been taken, the expense of which was provided to be paid by the Controller upon orders by the Governor.

In the State of New York, a series of legislative enactments, making appropriations, have been approved by the Governor, all of which provided that a fund of one million dollars ($1,000,000) is set aside to be expended when the Governor shall certify the necessity for its use and shall draw warrant upon the Treasurer, upon the approval of the Adjutant General and the audit of the Comptroller.

In the State of New Jersey, one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) has been set aside to be disbursed by the Quarter Master General upon the approval of the Governor.

In the State of Vermont, one million of dollars ($1,000,000) has been set aside to be expended by the Governor as Captain General and Commander-in-Chief, as provided in their constitution.

These acts of the several states and the precedents established in our own Commonwealth amply justify the action of the Executive Committee of Public Safety for this Commonwealth in asking for the approval of the emergency fund of two million dollars ($2,000,000) to be appropriated in the manner now pending before your honorable bodies.

I beg to advise you further that it is the judgment of your Executive, acting as Commander-in-Chief, in harmony with what information he has been able to receive from the National Government that it will be incumbent upon us in view of the inadequacy of current revenue to authorize the creation of a bonded indebtedness as provided by the Constitution of the Commonwealth, for the purpose of repelling invasions, suppression insurrections and defending the State in war. The amount of this bonded indebtedness I am unable at this present moment to indicate, but when that bill is presented to your Honorable bodies for consideration, as now drawn, it will provide that the monies collected from the sale of bonds or certificates of loan, which your bodies may hereafter authorize, shall be disbursed by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the State Treasurer in such manner as they may jointly determine, the money to be paid by the State Treasurer upon warrant signed by the Governor.

Under these circumstances in order that there shall be no further delay in placing Pennsylvania solidly and patriotically in line with the National Government in defense of our national honor and in protection of our people and industries, I hereby express my willingness, if in your judgment you so consider it wise, to have a similar board, made up of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the State Treasurer, all of whom are State wide elective officers, to act as a disbursing body as provided in the proposed loan bill. The other surviving State wide elective officer, namely, the Auditor General, is not included in this list for the very important and necessary reason that it is incompatible with good public administration to have any official expend money and subsequently audit his own expenditures. The law places upon the Auditor General the important and necessary obligation of auditing all expenditures made under these or other acts of Assembly in which money is appropriated for any purpose whatever, and for that reason it is not deemed wise that he should be included in the Board which will expend the money but that he shall be left free to be the auditor of the expenditures of the other officials herein indicated.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives as follows, viz:

In the House of Representatives, April 11, 1917.

Whereas, The deepest gloom has been cast over the City of Chester and the surrounding territory by the terrible catastrophe which occurred at Eddystone and which has killed and maimed so many of the best citizens of that community; and

Whereas, Not only the City of Chester and the surrounding territory, but the entire State, feels deeply the loss in human life that it has sustained by reason of this catastrophe; therefore, be it

Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the General Assembly hereby extends its sympathy as well as that of the entire Commonwealth, to the people of Chester and the surrounding territory; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor is authorized to convey to the Mayor of the City of Chester and the Burgess of Eddystone Borough the sympathy of this General Assembly and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, assuring them that not only the sympathy but also the assistance which is in his power and at his command are available to the people of this community.

SENATE MESSAGE.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows, viz:

In the Senate, April 11, 1917.

Whereas, Many persons committed to insane or feeble-minded institutions are being cured of their diseases and are being returned to their homes and families; and

Whereas, Many persons so discharged from such institutions are often conscious of the fact that their neighbors and friends are aware that they were inmates of such insane or feeble-minded institutions; and

Whereas, In order to remove at least in some degree this conscious feeling of such persons, and to bring this Commonwealth in line with the modern thought as well as the idea of medical science, the names of such institutions should be changed; therefore, be it

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That it is the sense of the General Assembly that the names of all State and semi-State and private institutions for insane and feeble-minded be changed by striking from such name the words, "insane, lunatics, feeble-minded" and similar words, which will materially aid in removing the possibility of having that stigma cast upon inmates thereof; and be it further

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the trustees or directors of all insane and feeble-minded institutions be urged to take the proper steps to have the names of their respective institutions changed to conform with the ideas conveyed and objects desired to be accomplished by this resolution by naming them by amendment of the present laws or otherwise, as "Institutions or Hospitals for the Treatment of Mental Diseases," or other appropriate names.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, being introduced, presented the following communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, viz:

VETO OF HOUSE BILL NO. 162.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executive Chamber, Harrisburg, March 29, 1917.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen: I return herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 162, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the public roads through the Cornplanter Indian Reservation in Elk Township Warren County Pennsylvania."

This Bill specifically appropriates two certain sums of money from the State Treasury to maintain and to preserve public roads and highways passing the Cornplanter Indiana Reservation in Elk Township, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

Article III, Section 7 of the Constitution expressly provides that the General Assembly "Shall not pass any local or special law; Authorizing the laying out, opening, altering of maintaining roads, highways, streets or alleys." Manifestly this Bill is in direct opposition to the Constitution. Moreover, if the roads are part of the State highway system they will be cared for by the department in charge. If they are not state highways, their upkeep is properly a charge upon the local authorities in precisely the same way as are almost eighty thousand miles of roads of like character in the Commonwealth. The Bill is both unconstitutional and contrary to sound public policy.

For these reasons this Bill is not approved.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

On the question,

Shall the bill become a law, the veto of the Governor to the contrary not to stand?

Mr. POWELL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the question, together with the bill, be laid upon the table.

Mr. DELL. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

SENATE MESSAGE.

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE.

The Clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

House Bill No. 295

An Act to further amend clause three of section one of an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (Pamphlet Laws six hundred forty-four) entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An Act concerning divorces,'" as amended by omitting the proviso providing for the allowance of support or alimony in certain cases.

House Bill No. 855

An Act to repeal an act approved the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to establish a county court for the County of Allegheny and prescribing its powers and duties; regulating the procedure therein and providing for the expenses thereof,' approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, constituting the said court the juvenile court of said county and prescribing its organization, jurisdiction and powers therein and otherwise."

House Bill No. 735,

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the thirteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act to fix the salaries to be paid to the jury commissioners, county jailor and jail physician in counties having over eight hundred thousand and less than one million five hundred thousand inhabitants according to the last preceding United States census."

House Bill No. 376

An Act to amend section three hundred three of an act approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred eleven, entitled "An Act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith."

House Bill No. 900

An Act amending section nineteen of an act entitled "An Act relative to the supervision and control of hospitals or houses in which the insane are placed for treatment or detention" approved the eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred eighty-three so as to permit certificates of physicians as to the insanity of patients to be sworn to or affirmed before a judge or magistrate of any county in the Commonwealth.

with the information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 485 MADE A SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 485, File Folio 1885, page 24 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading, entitled

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section four article six of the Constitution of Pennsylvania relating to the removal of appointed officers

be made a special order of business for Monday evening, April 23, 1917, at 9.30 o'clock.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL NO. 490 MADE A SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I move that House Bill No. 490, File Folio 1893, page 24 of to-day's calendar, bills on third reading, entitled

An Act prohibiting the solicitation, payment or receipt in any public building belonging to any city of the first class of any money or valuable thing for political purposes; prohibiting the solicitation or receipt by or from officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prohibiting the payment by officers or employes of cities of the first class of contributions for political purposes; prescribing dismissal from public office as a penalty for violation thereof; prescribing methods of enforcing this penalty, and providing that any violation of this act shall be punished as a misdemeanor.

be made a special order of business for Tuesday, April 24, 1917, at 11.30 o'clock A. M.

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILL ON SECOND READING.

Mr. RAMSEY asked and obtained unanimous consent to proceed to the consideration on second reading of House Bill No. 312, File Folio 2185.

Agreeably to order,

The rule requiring bills to be considered in committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 312, entitled

An Act to amend sections one, two, three, four, five, six and seven, of Article VII, of an act approved the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania, and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith," by providing for motor ambulances and requiring them to be furnished, free of charge, with registration certificates and number tags.

The first section of the bill was read as follows:

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That the first second third fourth fifth sixth and seventh sections of Article seven of an act approved the second day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and seventy-six) entitled "An Act to provide for the health and safety of persons employed in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania and for the protection and preservation of property connected therewith" which reads as follows

"Section 1 The owner operator or superintendent of every mine or colliery except as hereinafter provided shall provide and keep at such mine or colliery an ambulance and also at least two (2) stretchers for the purpose of conveying to their places of abode any person or persons who may be injured while in the discharge of his or their work at such mine or colliery

"Section 2 The said ambulance shall be constructed upon good substantial and easy springs It shall be covered and closed and shall have windows on the sides or ends It shall be of sufficient size to convey at least two (2) injured persons with two (2) attendants at one time and shall be provided with spring mattresses or other comfortable bedding to beplaced on roller frames together with sufficient covering and protection and convenient movement of the injured It shall also be provided with seats for the attendants The stretchers shall be constructed of such material and in such manner as to afford the greatest ease and comfort in the carriage of the injured person"

"Section 3 Whenever any person or persons employed in or about a mine or colliery shall receive such injury by accident or otherwise while so employed as would render him or them unable to walk to his or their place of abode the owner operator or superintendent of such mine or colliery shall immediately cause such person or persons to be removed to his or their place of abode or to an hospital as the case may require"

"Section 4 It is provided however that the owner operator or superintendent of any mine or colliery shall be excepted from the requirement of an ambulance as aforesaid if the places of abode of all the workmen at such mine or colliery be within a radius of a half mile from the principal entrance to such mine"

"Section 5 It is provided further that when two or more mines or collieries are located within one mile of each other or the ambulance is located within one mile of each colliery but one ambulance as aforesaid shall be required if the said mines or collieries have ready and quick means of communication one with the other by telegraph or telephone"

"Section 6 An ambulance as aforesaid shall not be required at any mine or colliery at which less than twenty (20) persons are employed"

"Section 7 In case the distance from any mine or colliery to the place of abode of the person injured is such as to permit his conveyance to his home or to an hospital more quickly and conveniently by railway such mode of conveyance shall be permitted but in such case the conveyance must be under cover and the comfort of the injured person must be provided for" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 1 The owner operator or superintendent of every mine or colliery except as hereinafter provided shall provide and keep at such mine or colliery a motor ambulance and also at least two (2) stretchers for the purpose of conveying to their places of abode any person or persons who may be injured while in the discharge of his or their work at such mine or colliery

Section 2 The said motor ambulance shall be constructed upon good substantial and easy springs It shall be covered and closed and shall have windows on the sides or ends It shall be of sufficient size to convey at least two (2) injured persons with two (2) attendants at one time and shall be provided with spring mattresses or other comfortable bedding to be placed on roller frames together with sufficient covering and protection and convenient movement of the injured It shall also be provided with seats for the

attendants The stretchers shall be constructed of such material and in such manner as to afford the greatest ease and comfort in the carriage of the injured persons

Section 3 Whenever any person or persons employed in or about a mine or colliery shall receive such injury by accident or otherwise while so employed as would render him or them unable to walk to his or their place of abode the owner operator or superintendent of such mine or colliery shall immediately cause such person or persons to be removed in said motor ambulance to his or their place of abode or to an hospital as the case may require

Section 4 It is provided however that the owner operator or superintendent of any mine or colliery shall be excepted from the requirement of a motor ambulance as aforesaid if the places of abode of all the workmen at such mine or colliery be within a radius of half mile from the principal entrance to such mine

Section 5 It is provided further that where two or more mines or collieries are located within two miles of each other or motor ambulance is located within two miles of each colliery but one motor ambulance as aforesaid shall be required if the said mines or collieries have ready and quick means of communication one with the other by telegraph or telephone

Section 6 A motor ambulance as aforesaid shall not be required at any mine or colliery at which less than twenty (20) persons are employed

Section 7 In case the distance from any mine or colliery to the place of abode of the person injured is such as to permit his conveyance to his home or to an hospital more quickly and conveniently by railway such mode of conveyance shall be permitted but in such case the conveyance must be under cover and the comfort of the injured person must be provided for

There shall be furnished free of charge by the State Highway Department a registration certificate and two number tags for every such motor ambulance

On the question,
Will the House agree to the section?

BILLS RE-COMMITTED.

Mr. RAMSEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill, House Bill No. 312, be recommitted to the Committee on Mines and mining for the purpose of a hearing.

Mr. DONNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The SPEAKER. If there are no objections, we will proceed to the consideration of bills on first reading, a special order already having been fixed for one of the bills now on first reading. The Chair hears no objections.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 117, entitled

An Act proposing an amendment to section one, article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1053, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled "An Act to amend an act, approved the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifteen, entitled 'An Act providing for the payment of judgments and mortgages, and other claims, which are liens on property affected by public improvements or appropriated by the exercise of the right of eminent domain'" excepting proceedings to ascertain damages and benefits by reason of municipal street or sewer improvements.

And said bill having been read at length the first time
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1123, entitled

An Act to further amend section five of an act approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, entitled "An Act applicable to all counties of this Commonwealth, to provide monthly payments, as approved by the trustees, to indigent widows, or abandoned mothers, for partial support of their children in their own homes; the manner of appointment of the trustees; the administration of the trust; amount of appropriations, proportioning appropriations, co-ordinate appropriations; amounts to be paid, form of records, eligibility, penalties, and reports, as set forth," as amended.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1142, entitled

An Act to regulate the sale, giving away, prescribing, dispensing and possession of opium and cocoa leaves, their compounds, manufactures, alkaloids, salts, derivatives and preparations and prescribing penalties for violation thereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1108, entitled

An Act to amend an act approved the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled "An Act to prevent the manufacture and sale of adulterated or misbanded drugs; defining the word 'drug', prescribing penalties for violation of this act and the method of its enforcement."

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 986, entitled

An Act making a deficiency appropriation to the Department of Agriculture.

And said bill having been read at length the first time
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1238 (Senate Bill No. 581), entitled

An Act empowering certain corporations, societies and voluntary associations having subordinate lodges or branches within this Commonwealth to change the location of their principal office or place of business and providing for the approval by the Court of Common Pleas and the filing of notice of such changes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1217 (Senate Bill No. 109), entitled

An Act for the better protection of wild animals and birds and game within this Commonwealth; requiring nonresidents to procure a license before hunting in this Commonwealth; providing penalties for violation of any of its several provisions and prescribing the disposition of license fees and penalties received.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1219 (Senate Bill No. 121), entitled

An Act creating a reward or bounty for the destruction of certain noxious animals killed within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; providing a method for the payment of the same and providing the method of furnishing evidence of said destruction and penalties for the violation of the several provisions hereof.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1375, entitled

An Act fixing the salaries and providing for the expenses of county commissioners in the counties of this Commonwealth.

And said bill having been read at length the first time,
Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1144, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the twenty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seven, entitled "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of the several counties, or the town councils of the several boroughs, of this Commonwealth, or both, to appropriate annually a sufficient sum of money to each Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, in their respective counties or boroughs, to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day," as amended; by requiring the commissioners to make appropriations also to Memorial Day or similar organizations where there was heretofore an established post.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 418, entitled

An Act fixing the fees of the recorder of deeds in counties containing a population of not less than two hundred thousand nor more than five hundred thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 946, entitled

An Act authorizing county commissioners to repay moneys collected on forfeited recognizances in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 589, entitled

An Act to amend section eight of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (Pamphlet Laws one hundred thirty-six) entitled "An Act for the taxation of dogs and the protection of sheep."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 758, entitled

An Act fixing the salary of the clerk of the county commissioners in counties having a population between one hundred thousand and one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 902, entitled

An Act to amend section one of an act approved the third day of May one thousand nine hundred nine entitled "An Act amending an act entitled 'An Act fixing salaries of county poor directors in counties of over one hundred and fifty thousand population' approved the eighth day of June one thousand nine hundred and seven by providing for compensation according to population and granting power to employ counsel."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 903, entitled

An Act authorizing prothonotaries in counties containing over one hundred and fifty thousand and less than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants to appoint deputy prothonotaries fixing their salary and prescribing their duties.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 23, entitled

An Act authorizing township commissioners and township supervisors to adopt certain roads streets and highways as public roads and providing for their maintenance improvement and repair.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,
The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1288, entitled

An Act to reimburse certain counties for rewards and bounties heretofore paid by such counties in good faith for the destruction of noxious animals and birds and directing the Auditor General to draw his warrant for the payment of the same

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

COMMUNICATION COMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. McCAIG. Mr. Speaker, I move that the communication from His Excellency the Governor, which was read a few moments ago, be committed to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. MURDOCH. Mr. Speaker, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. URICH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 1.40 o'clock P. M.) the House adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.